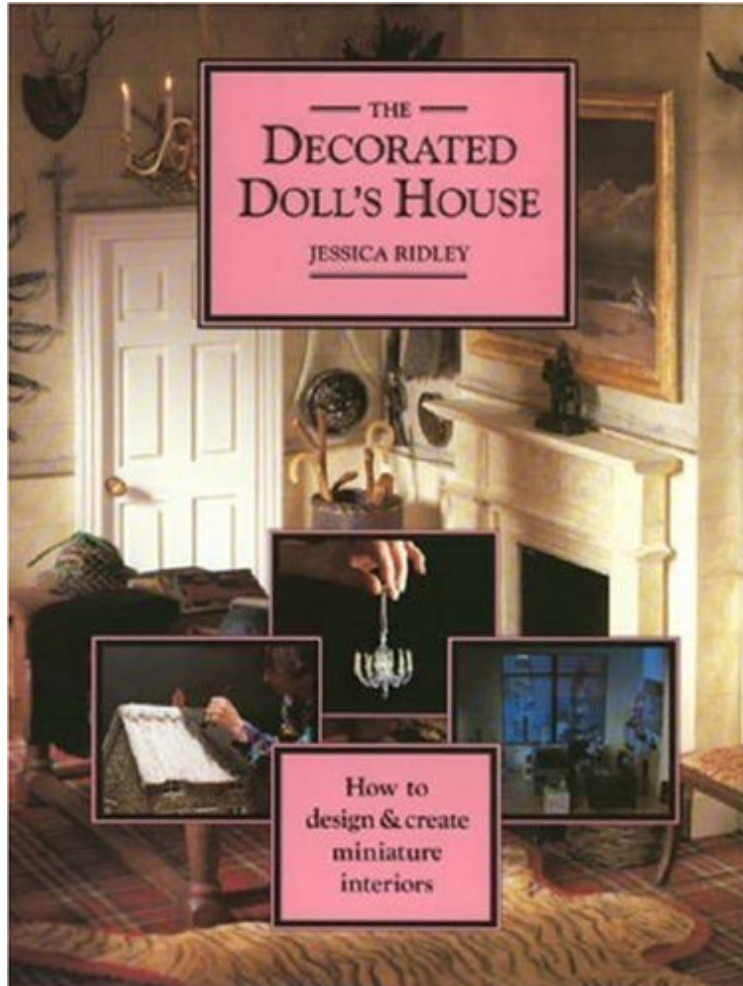


## The Decorated Doll's House

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are so well done, you'd think you were looking inside a real house. The only con I found is that the instructions are limited in specifics. There is no real guideline on how to cut or size, she leaves it up to you, which can cause some confusion, as to get the result you desire. 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. First Rate Mini builder and creator  
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About the Author Jessica Ridley runs the painting studio at Colefax and Fowler, London's leading interior decorator. She is the great granddaughter of Sir Edwin Lutyens, designer of Queen Mary's Doll's House, the finest doll's house in the world.