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# The Knitted Rug: 21 Fantastic Designs





### **Synopsis**

Here's a fresh take on the crafts of rugmaking and knitting-the very first book of its kind. These stylish rug projects are so eye-catching that it's hard to believe that even novices can create them. But they can, thanks to a sumptuously illustrated and thorough section on knitting basics; advice on embellishments, including embroidery; and instruction on finishing touches, from weaving ends to lining. Put this knowledge to work on a multicolored Big Needle Garter Stitch Rug, Knit and Purl Oval Rug, Thunderbird Wall Tapestry, and others. Every rug is photographed in a home setting, and includes patterns and ideas for modifying the design."Offers more than an attractive collection of patterns. [It] includes a history of knitted floor coverings...a tutorial, and a manual on a variety of knitting techniques."--Interweave"...an excellent introduction ....Even some of the more spectacular rugs...are suitable for beginning knitters. Warmly recommended..."--Library Journal

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#### Customer Reviews

This is a great book for knitters who are tired of knitting scarves or who have filled their homes with afghans and are looking for a new canvas for their knitting. The book begins with a fascinating overview of the history of rug knitting, then includes complete directions for all the skills needed-even a beginner can be successful. Finally, the book includes instructions for a wide variety of rug types and shapes, from shaggy pile (who knew those could be knitted?) to coiled through various types of colorwork and texture. The author also points out a multitude of other purposes for "rug" patterns, from wall hangings to pillows to table mats and more! There are great ideas for all kinds of

home decor, and best of all they don't include sizing or shaping, so beginning knitters can have a great result and more experienced knitters can concentrate on design without worrying about the fit, if they're making the item as a gift. This would also make a great book for a guild or group of knitters to use as a knit-along project, since varying the colors and yarns used would make for a great variety of pieces!

If you're looking to create a beautiful knitted home accent and don't feel like worrying about gauge, this is the book for you. Knit Mediterranean-style mosaic rugs with slip-stitch knitting, or a cheery 5-color rug for a baby's room, or a handsome cable-edged rug, a Shaker pinwheel, or even a loopy pile bathroom mat. The possibilities are endless, as is the creativity of the author of this book.

This is definitely a collectable for new as well as experienced knitters alike. The author of this book provides detailed information along with full-colored photos of knitted rugs. This book shows you the tools and techniques to prepare, knit, and store your rug. The Pile rug section was interesting and informative, especially the Waterfall Fringe Rug which combines knitting with the latch hook technique. Furthermore, Fair Isle In-The-Round will entice any creative knitter to jump from Fair Isle sweaters to rugs. Overall, this is a must for any knitting collection.

I found this book to contain even more ideas/pattern and wonderful rugs than imaginable. The pure selection of rugs is impressive. Colorful rugs, cabled rugs, runners, circular ... you name it, and it is in the book. What I find wonderful is that the explanations are great, the patterns are easy to follow, and there is a load of information about rugs themselves. This book is great for knitters of all levels. You'll wonder how you ever lived without this book (gifts in a flash).

What a beautiful book! It is filled with lots of full page colorful photos and very clear instructions on how to knit a variety of rugs - from easy garter stitch to more complicated intarsia; from braided rugs to celtic cables; from patchwork rugs to shaker pinwheels. I am so pleased to add this to my knit book collection and am eager to begin a knitted rug project for myself and eventually for gifts.

As a beginning knitter, I was thrilled to find this book. It has easy to follow instructions, including a 'learn to knit' section that was perfect for me. After seeing that there are also patterns and designs even at the advanced level, I plan to buy my sister a copy, too. The designs are so unique and fresh!

Can't say enough about how enjoyable this book is for me! I'm presently working on the rug on the cover (different color scheme, though), and it's going splendidly! I also have a handful of other rug ideas marked to work on in the near future. The instructions in this book are so USER FRIENDLY (really well written) and the photos are great quality and from useful angles. (Not all books are written with such good instructions and photos.) I am an experienced knitter, and I still prefer my books to be easy to understand......this one is and would suit many knitters' skill levels.

I received this book and have completed three of the items in it, Directions and pictures and the best. thank you

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