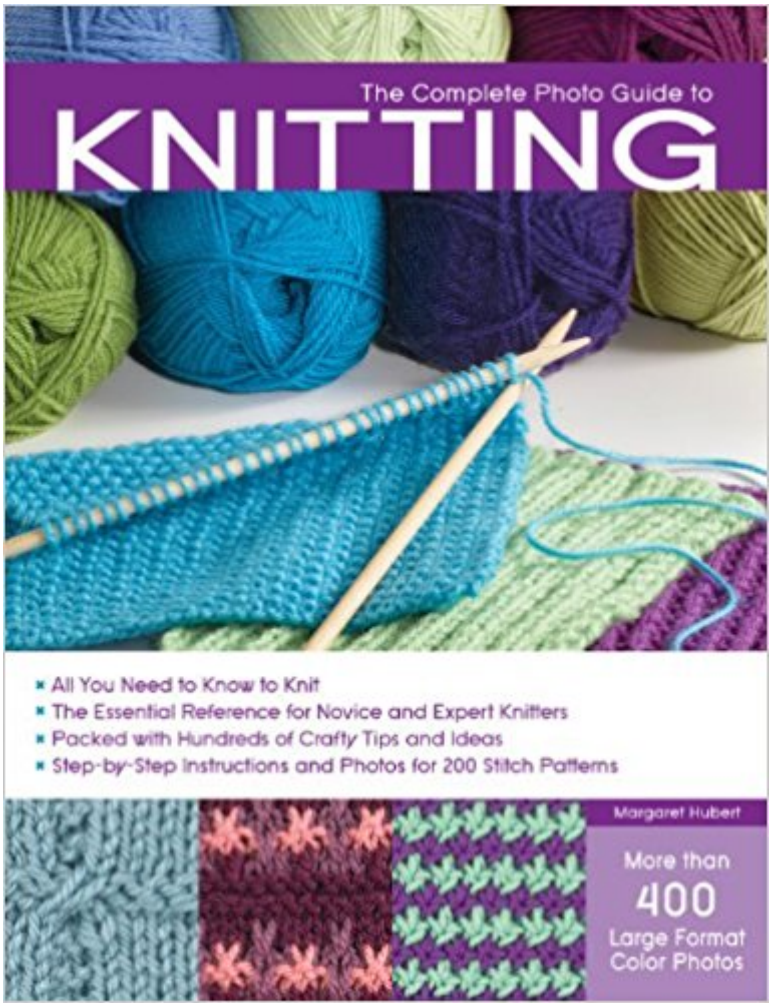
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Synopsis

This volume is a comprehensive how-to book about all aspects of knitting. This book is a reference for all knitting techniques, beginning with the basics of how to knit. A large section of the book is devoted to showing different stitch patterns, arranged in style categories for easy reference. Special knitting topics will be explored in depth: cables, intarsia, entrelac, Fair Isle knitting, and lace knitting. A section will discuss yarns: fibers, how they are spun, gauge, and how to choose.

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Let me start by saying that I am a long-time crocheter, but this book is my first foray into knitting. Overall, it is an excellent book, but it does have a few cons.The pictures that are in this book are excellent! It’s very clear to see where the needles and yarn are in relation to each other. Also, the photos of the patterns (of which there is a great selection) include the side edge of the pattern.There

were three main problems for me, however. The first was that there is NOTHING in this book about holding the needles and yarn while knitting. The only thing she has in here is a few ways to hold the yarn when using your hands to cast on stitches. Some of the pictures of other basic stitches depict the working yarn going off to the left, and some to the right. It was very confusing. On a related note, she neglects to say anything about English vs. Continental knitting.The second issue is that the projects are scattered throughout the book. They're not in the table of contents, and the index only lists them by specific name, so if you don't remember the name of the one you're looking for, you have to guess or flip through the 200 or so pages where the project might be located.Lastly, some of the patterns were hard to read when some of the rows were the same.Good example (page 70):"Row 8: purl.Row 9: same as row 5.Row 10: purl.Row 11: knit."Bad example (page 113):"Rows 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 11 and 12: [pattern details]Rows 3 and 9: [pattern details]Rows 4 and 10: [pattern details]Row 7: [pattern details]"It was already tricky enough keeping track of what row I'm working. It was made even more confusing trying to bounce up and down the instruction list like that.All things considered, the selection of patterns and the clear pictures make this book definitely worth the money. However, I would recommend it to someone who already knows the basics.

I already had the complete photo guide to crochet which I love. But as a knitter too I wanted the complete photo guide to knitting as well. I love it equally as well.

I love bright, cheerful colors and books full of large, detailed photographs, so this book is ideal for me. I consider myself a beginner-intermediate knitter; I only just recently learned the purl stitch, don't know how to cable knit, and have only ever knit scarves. Well, I tried one of the "Experienced" two-color patterns in the book (Tic-Tac-Toe) and found that with Margaret Hubert's instruction, I was capable enough to knit a beautiful scarf using that pattern. I worked on it at a knitting club with people much more experienced than me and everyone loved it and wondered how I did it. I'm not sure that I would recommend this book as a comprehensive guide; for a couple of patterns/techniques, I did have to go on Youtube to see how they were done. But supplemented with Youtube, this is about as comprehensive a knitting book as one can expect, and has definitely made knitting more enjoyable for me.

Basically the first 33 pages of this book are instructions for casting on, binding off, increasing, how to knit in the round and one or two other essential informational bits. The same information can be found in almost any book on the market. The entire rest of this book (about 200 or so pages) are

examples of different stitches to work up in swatches. Thrown in are several patterns (hats, a vest, a purse etc) to try out, none of which interested me at all. I was looking for tips and techniques for doing basic knitting, clear instructions on how to pick up dropped stitches, including when you have increases (how to recognize them and re-do, etc). Just general clear-cut basic information that to me would be a "complete" guide to knitting. Books galore on knitting various stitches and swatches are available out there. I didn't anticipate that this book would spend 90% of its content on that aspect of knitting. A major disappointment.

I purchased this book because it was recommended to me by members of Project Linus (we make blankets for infants through teens). The Complete Photo Guide to Knitting far exceeded my expectations; it has numerous tips along with well-written, color-coded instructions and photos for many patterns. I enjoy this book so much I purchased a second copy for my daughter!

I was trying to figure out the instructions for a stitch I had never done before. This book was my answer to the problem. I had already purchased the pattern, special yarn and had everything ready. I had been so excited to begin, there was one problem yet to cover--the stitch. Just couldn't get it in my mind. With this book, I looked, studied it and the instruction was so good, I never had any more trouble. There are so many stitches in the book, it is the answer to so many problems any one would have. I highly recommend it.Sandy R.

I have been knitting on and off since I was a teenager. After 3 years of not knitting and being busy with a new and growing family, I bought this book thinking it will help me rremember and learn new techniques. I find this book worth the price. It is well written and conveys the process and techniques clearly, especially through the pictures. I have not read this all the way through yet, but I have used it over and over again for the basics so far and have learned new things

I love this book for ideas based on the photos and instructions - which are great. The only thing lacking - and thus the 4 instead of 5 - is details on the basics, like how to perl from he backside. For those issues I turn to youtube videos, which are excellent. What this book has is tons of different types of looks to be created with knitting, and can be used to make any type of item you wish.

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