

## Elizabeth Zimmermann's Knitting Workshop (Updated and Expanded Edition)

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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Elizabeth Zimmermann's Knitting Workshop (Updated and Expanded Edition):

97 of 99 people found the following review helpful. Even for an experienced knitterBy A. ReaderI have been knitting for 20+ years, and had heard about EZ's books, but considered myself "beyond" them. Finally I bought this one on a whim, and have since purchased all her others. This book is the answer to the question, "How do I make knitting easy?" Forget the rigid patterns--this book explores knitting as it was probably taught for generations: Learn the CONCEPTS and the details will follow. I think this book is worth the money just for the baby "surprise" sweater pattern alone (a legendary baby sweater knit in one garter stitch piece with only 2 seams). When I learned to knit, it was SERIOUSLY not "hip," so I learned to design projects because I didn't have access to patterns. Now with books being written about how to make garter stitch scarves, I thank my lucky stars I learned when I did. This book will teach you to be an empowered knitter who does not need books and patterns to knit. If you are just learning, I cannot encourage you enough to buy this book learn the fundamentals of knitting designing--you can always buy the "fun"

books, but you will be so much happier if you know how to alter edit patterns to fit your taste style. If you are a veteran knitter, it's still worthwhile. The percentage system for designing sweaters is wonderful! EZ's writing style is personable funny--how could you not love a knitting book where the author admits that she hates to purl sew seams???? The pictures are in black white, but I think they still convey the ideas.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. As you will ...By Kindle CustomerNot as much content as I was hoping for but ... Pick it up and read it. There are techniques that I didn't know. Plus, I "saw" that the Great Elizabeth Zimmerman was a real person.5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Wish there was a knitting camp in California!By OneMtnGirlMy husband gave me a wonderful cash birthday/mother's day present (my BD often falls on Mother's day) so I promptly ordered the usual, Yarn, knitting books and the DVDElizabeth Zimmermann's Knitting Workshopof EZ's workshop. I just love seeing all of that yarn that is the backdrop for her instructions, what a brilliant blue. So, after watching the video several times and checking out the book from the library, which is no easy feat because everyone wants it and the waiting list is a mile long and there is no renewing this book, I broke down (needless to say my birthday money is long gone spent on "the stash") and ordered this book because it goes along with the DVD. It is simple in its drawings, wish they would update the drawings (I know that EZ drew these herself, but how long ago) but other than that it is perfect. She is brilliant and years, if not decades, ahead of her time. I highly recommend both the book and the DVD. It is money well spent and will bring you hours of instruction and if you don't have a grandmother, like myself, it is a small price to pay to have one in your home for a few hours that will be happy to teach you how to knit and speak in that wonderful accent. Meg--to you I say you were blessed with such a great mother and I know she probably wasn't perfect but she had s spitfire personality that couldn't be contained.Happy knitting and a wonderful, fulfilling life to you all,Lisa Ray

Elizabeth Zimmermann's Knitting Workshop guides knitters from beginner to master status through carefully created lessons. Included are: Learning to knit, knitting with two colors, Elizabeth's Percentage System (EPS) for sweater design, yoke style sweaters, drop-shoulder sweaters, and knitting garter stitch, lace, arans, guernseys, and fair isles. Zimmermann's workshop, originally a PBS television series, has been a bestseller since its release. Now, it has been updated with color throughout and expanded with editorial notes, technique photos and drawings, and more detailed directions and sizing for some garments. The pattern section contains Elizabeth's famous Baby Surprise Jacket, now with row-by-row instructions, the Epaulet Sweater, the Heart Hat, and many more of EZ's beloved designs. A wonderful book for beginning, intermediate, and master knitters, who often remark that they return to Elizabeth's books time and again to remind themselves of her innovative knitting techniques and construction methods. The updated and expanded edition enhances an already classic reference and pattern text for modern knitters.

About the AuthorElizabeth Zimmermann is the author of several knitting books, including Knitting without Tears, Knitter's Alamanc, Elizabeth Zimmermann's Knitting Workshop, Knitting Around, The Opinionated Knitter, and Knit One Knit All. Additionally, she instructs knitters in the Knitting Glossary DVD, Knitting Around DVD, and Knitting Workshop DVD. Elizabeth Zimmermann is known for her innovative techniques and sweater construction, including her percentage system for sweater design. Her writing style and humor have helped many knitters gain the confidence to design their own garments and free themselves from the limitations of stitch by stitch knitting patterns. Her designs are as well-loved as her instruction. The Baby Surprise Jacket is one of the most popular sweater patterns for babies; all of her designs feature construction that delights knitters and allows them to amend their garments to their own tastes.