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51 of 53 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful Patterns AND Inspirational TechniquesBy Anastasia McPhersonMost knitters have not only yarn stashes but stashes of almost finished sweaters and other projects that require blocking and seaming. It is knitting's dirty little secret: finishing is an art in itself, albeit a tedious one.No Finish Knits provides not only lovely, useful patterns to make with creative construction techniques that require no seaming but provides them in good yarns that are either available or easily substituted. The patterns are classic and useful with wonderful lace and cable details and manage to incorporate current style trends while remaining classic. The designs are also good for all ages, being neither too old or too young. The construction techniques are astonishing and inspirational. Every pattern in this book deserves to be carefully read, especially by budding or experienced designers. Not all of the techniques are easy, but they are all translatable to other designs. These are very useful construction techniques and deserve to be used more often. Perhaps not every garment can be totally seamless, but many garments can eliminate some seams resulting in a higher ratio of finished projects.The instructions are clear and well written and include charts and schematics as well as written directions. The usual appendices of cast-ons, bind-offs and increased and decrease methods used in the projects are included as well. This book is a treasure trove and is in competition with Knitter's Handy Book of Top-Down Sweaters: Basic Designs in Multiple Sizes and Gauges for my

favorite knitting book of 2012. Beautiful, useful, instructional and inspirational. 28 of 28 people found the following review helpful. creative options for those who hate to sew
By Julie Matthews
If you love beautiful, truly creative sweater patterns, then you need to get this book. If you hate seaming hand-knitted sweaters, then you DEFINITELY need to get this book! Kristen TenDyke offers spectacular bulky yarn pullovers, lacy shrugs, classic cardigans, and much more. She's also developed some innovative techniques to provide unique shaping in no-sew designs. Finish-Free Knits is a great book!
30 of 31 people found the following review helpful. Very Innovative and Useful Knitting Book
By Camping101
So many times finish free means just raglan sleeves and a basic garment. This book really has some innovative patterns in many different styles so you'll definitely find something you'll want to knit. I have many pages already tabbed in my copy and have one of the sweaters on the needles. Every pattern has detailed instructions, lots of diagrams and a measurement schematic--not just the basic measurements but what each section of the garment should measure which is really helpful. Also, there are photos of both fronts and backs along with close-up details like sleeve edgings, collars and button closures. Very useful book.

Imagine knitting a beautiful sweater without the stressful obstacles of sewing, seaming, and grafting. Welcome to Knitwear designer Kristen TenDyke's world of Finish-Free Knits! While exploring these 20 designs, you will discover stitch-free solutions to previously frustrating obstacles needed to finish a design. Kristen will teach you to knit sweaters with no assembly required. Through clever planning and some simple techniques, the projects in Finish-Free Knits are shaped and joined during knitting-- without sacrificing the pockets, buttonbands, shaped collars, and more that is accomplished in most designs by sewing together separate pieces. In addition, learn how to shape armholes, join pieces as you go, use short-rows for shaping, and more. Once these stress-free finishing techniques are learned, you will enjoy the freedom to apply variations of each method in projects beyond the book. With Finish-Free Knits you can avoid the dreaded "Some Assembly Required" phrase forever. See all the projects in this book on the author's website: kristentendyke.com/FFK.php

From Booklist
What does no-sew knitting mean? At first casting on, some might equate it to top-down or side-to-side all-in-one needlework. With a more thorough look inside the book of former magazine-editor and design-contributor TenDyke, it involves all of the above and more. (Although you still do have to block your finished work.) Her 20 womens tops, boleros, sweaters, vest-hoodie, shrug, and cardigans feature lots of lace and cables, pick-up stitches, binding off when completed, shaping during construction, plus other techniques to avoid the drudgery of assembly. Her sidebars feature generous how-tos, such as how to join a casting and how to make box pleats; the patterns are replete with instructions, graphs, written directions, color photographs (note the plural), tips, and the like. Ninety-nine percent of this collection is devoted to great design; one could only wish she'd indicated, with icons, the level of difficulty. --Barbara Jacobs
"Finish-Free Knits: No-Sew Garments in Classic Styles by Kristen TenDyke presents 20 knitwear designs from the well-known designer that lets the knitter 'off the hook'...or needle...for sewing, seaming and other finishing techniques." - Publishers Weekly