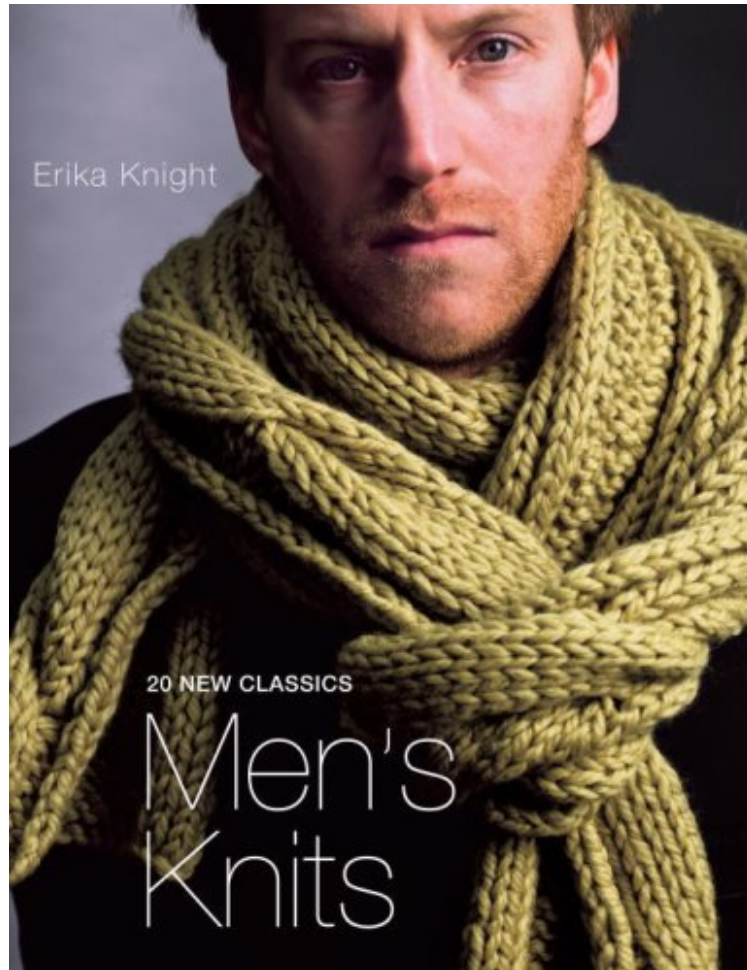


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Erika Knight : Men's Knits: 20 New Classics before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Men's Knits: 20 New Classics:

19 of 19 people found the following review helpful. This is almost the perfect book, but...By jamesosewsThis is a book of really great looking, well thought designs. It's modern, it's current, and I really, really like every design in the book. The one star review isn't, in my opinion, merited at all. The colors are great, the photographs likewise. I want to knit everything in this book. Eventually I will. So, here's my issue. The book offers sizes from small to XXL. The XXL fits a 44 inch chest. REALLY? A 44 inch chest is XXL? Maybe in Japan. Erika Knight totally misses the mark with sizing. I'll be consulting my tattered, battered, and much loved copy of Knitting Without Tears to resize.21 of 21 people found the following review helpful. The best knitting book for current sweaters for menBy NeedledAtNarberthI have desperately been trying to find good knitting patterns for sweaters for guys in their twenties. This pattern book is a breath of fresh air from the tired or non-existent or ugly patterns I find in the knitting stores I frequent in

Pennsylvania, New York, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Get ahead of the trend--COOL hand-knit sweaters for guys are stylish. I just wish someone in the knitting store or pattern business in the U.S. understood that. The instructions are straight-forward and clear. The criticism of the person who gave the one-star review is unwarranted in that the author has thoughtfully offered options for her knitters--a boxier (that is, bigger) sweater on a larger needle or a slimmer-fit sweater crafted on a smaller needle. It is the second option that makes this knitting book for men so up-to-date. I am specifically referring to the v-neck cardigan, which I am currently knitting with Rowan Felted Tweed (as opposed to the Bamboo Tape used in the book). For those who prefer quick projects with heavy yarn on large needles, the instructions are there, but also available are the patterns for sweaters to be layered or worn on days of moderate temperature. The latter are knitted on smaller needles, but that fact is critical. This is the second time that I am using the exact same yarn (even the same color) for a sweater for my son. The first time I used size 6 needles: after a year's wear, the sweater has stretched to a size larger than intended. The pattern that calls for size 5 needles in **Men's Knits** makes that important difference in tight, uniform knitting. 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Best pattern book I own. By MinI loved this book. It's not easy to find good, modern patterns for men. I spent hours searching on Ravelry and in the end decided to spend some money and buy a few books. Of the ones I bought, this is my favorite. The Instructions are easy to read - well-laid out with good typography and clear language. The patterns are modern, but not trendy - as the title says "new classics" - the designs will look up-to-date for a few years, so if you're tired of the same stripy jumpers and cabled cardigans, but you don't want something that's only "in" for six months, this is a great choice. It's things I would wear myself - in fact now I do. Good range of sizes, I'm quite small, so having smaller sizes is important to me. Most books assume men start at a 40" (102cm) chest - we don't!

Whether you're a man or a woman, chances are you're holding this book because you want to find the right knitting project for a man in your life be it your husband, your dad, or your best friend. But men are difficult to buy clothes for, not to mention knit for. They don't want anything fussy, or too trendy. The color palette needs to be classic and the yarn should be soft but durable. They want something comfortable they can wear for years. So join knitter extraordinaire Erika Knight as she takes on the knitwear that men love. Knight started her career designing menswear and over the decades she's completely figured out their clothes-buying mentality. In *Mens Knits*, she applies that expertise to come up with 20 projects that guys are sure to wear. Using classic shapes, a mostly neutral palette (but with some teals and chocolates thrown in for the slightly flashier guy), and natural yarns like wool, bamboo, and hemp, every piece is distinctive and stylish. For men young and old, these designs will become the sweaters, vests, scarves, and hats they reach for again and again. The zipper cardigan is perfect for both reading the paper on Sunday morning and a casual dinner with friends on Sunday night. The herringbone sweater will impress his future boss at his next interview, or his future in-laws at their next family gathering. The argyle vest works on every man, whether he's buttoned-up or laid back. Together, they'll be the new classics you'll want to knit, give, and maybe even borrow for years to come. Whether it's a textured vest or a hand-dyed sweater, you're sure to find something that'll look good on the man in your life and not end up forever buried in his bureau.

From Booklist*Starred * What does it take to make a new classic sweater? The answers are: attention to detail; meticulously following directions; using luxurious yarns such as alpaca, cashmere, and even hemp; and creating shapes that echo the training of world-renowned British author-designer Knight, who puts her background in menswear tailoring to the best of all possible uses, sharing 20 patterns exclusively for men. The first chapter delves into more know-how than how-tos; its contents cover types of yarn and garment care, not casting on and off or the stitches of knitting and purling. The rest of her book showcases 25 men and a dog (Rufus) wearing 20 sharp, well-designed knits that will look good no matter the man's age or size. In fact, all patterns in addition to materials, gauge, and directions feature full-color finished photographs of the garment worn by different male models. Count these among Knight's new classics: an ombre-striped full zip cardigan; a bulked-up collegiate cable sweater; and vests in plain style, argyle, or checkered patterns. Recommended yarns listed. --Barbara Jacobs About the Author Renowned knitwear designer ERIKA KNIGHT is the author of more than ten acclaimed craft books including *Simple Crochet* and *Classic Knits*. She currently resides in Brighton, England.