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Knitting Fabric Rugs: 28 Colorful Designs For Crafters Of Every Level



Synopsis

With just a few tools and fabric, Karen Tiede gives you directions for making 28 different rugs with designs that use age-old motifs, including stripes and spirals; traditional quilt patterns, such as tessellations and log cabin designs; and freeform inventions. She shows how to create a wide range of color modulations, as well as different shapes, from rectangles to circles. The results are beautiful, one-of-a-kind floor coverings and wall hangings that are perfect for your space and taste.

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Customer Reviews

Rugs from Rags Take your knitting skills in an exciting new direction! Colorful strips of recycled fabric are given new life in 28 fabulous accent rugs that you can make with large knitting needles and Karen Tiede's step-by-step instructions. Inspired by classic design motifs, Tiede's creations are bursting with color and style. Whether you enjoy their softness underfoot or display your handmade pieces on the wall, these rugs are stunning in any decor.

Karen Tiede is the author of *Knitting Fabric Rugs*. In addition to doing her own design work and teaching, she is also a weaver and woodcarver. Tiede markets her rug designs online and lives in North Carolina.

Knitting Fabric Rugs has 28 stunning designs by Karen Tiede. I have crocheted rugs before but I have knitted one. I looked through the digital copy and was so enthralled by the possibilities that I immediately ordered a paper copy to have in my craft library. There are so many lovely designs, that it is hard to choose which one to start with. The patterns range from fairly easy to more involved, so the book should appeal to beginning knitters to more advanced ones. I am what I consider an advanced beginner in knitting as I have only been knitting for seven years and most of my projects have been fashion accessories. I'm really ready to try something different and the idea of knitting a rug is very appealing. The author gives us background on how she began to knit rugs and why she has modified how she knits and what materials she uses. The list of types of material is very informative, though I must admit that her suggestion of going to thrift stores is probably one that I won't use. I know that bedbugs can be transmitted through clothing (which is the primary source of the "rags"). I will probably stick to my old clothes and that of family and friends as well as buying materials that I can dye the colors that I want to use. I've lost a lot of weight over the past two years and have many way too big t-shirts of various colors that should be a good starting point for my rugs. I will probably snarf some of my husband's old shirts as well (especially those I don't care for on him but which colors are really pretty.) The photographs in this book are really well done. The colors just jump at me from the pages and entice me to try that pattern with those colors. I think that with the information that the author has provided a really good amount of basic skills that you can take forward into designing your own rugs. I will probably start with one for wall hanging (thinking smaller) and work my way up to a larger floor rug. I received a temporary digital ARC copy of this book from the publisher, Storey Publishing, LLC, via Netgalley.

I was very excited after receiving this book! The rugs are absolutely beautiful, full of color, and texture. I think many skill levels are expressed here from beginning to challenging. I was very intrigued by the spiral design rug. I'm hopeful to make many new and exciting rugs to add to my craft booth and have already gotten the scissors out and started cutting strips of fabric! Can't wait to make my next rug! The only reason I did not rate this item with a five star is because there was a little lacking on the instructions on the spiral rug. I thought more detail was needed.

The amount of fabric needed is enormous if you're just interested in making one rug and not a career move. Keep looking this is not the book for you

Very good! Nicely illustrated !

These have proven to be completely unrealistic home projects for me as I am not really going to amass the thousands of t-shirts it would take to develop a color palate to accommodate any of these patterns. The process is not fun or engaging (from my POV). Creating the strips takes a serious toll on your hands.

Wonderful creations. Great book for fabric stash reduction or addition.

Great book.

Well written with great and innovative ideas.

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