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Steven Tatar : The Ohio Knitting Mills Knitting Book: 26 Patterns Celebrating Four Decades of American Sweater Style before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Ohio Knitting Mills Knitting Book: 26 Patterns Celebrating Four Decades of American Sweater Style:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Ohio Knitting Mills book is the bomb! By Lala I am a hand and machine knitter, and bought this book on a lark. I love it. I just received it and have only just flipped through the pages, but I love what I have seen so far. The patterns are updates based on original patterns from the mills and I think I will try several of them. The book talks a great deal about the Ohio Knitting Mills over its life time and places it in the context of what was happening in the world too. I think if you are a knitter and like the vintage looks, you may very well like this book. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I have purchased five copies!!! By Kevin W. Meredith I must keep buying this book because every knit whiz friend that sees it MUST have it!!!! My generous nature knows no limits.... The patterns are modern renditions of beautiful vintage pieces and the instructions are well presented and clear. There is also a really great story behind this book. The story of Ohio Knitting Mills, fascinating! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I Love This Book! By Kschimmelwriter This book is worth getting even if you only look at the pictures! Fashion history buffs will want this even if they don't knit. I personally plan to make the Mondrian dress on the cover, the poncho, and a few other items.

Vintage-inspired projects culled from the archives of the legendary knitwear maker...Paris, Milan, London Cleveland? Yes, it's true. For decades, this Midwestern city of grit and steel remained at the forefront of American fashion. Cleveland was home to such garment makers as the Ohio Knitting Mills, which created knitwear designs for

department stores from Sears to Saks as well as for hundreds of labels, from Van Heusen to Pendleton. Author Steven Tatar discovered a treasure trove of mint-condition knitwear and patterns for men and women when he acquired the mill's archive in 2005. Now, working with the original patterns, from the 1940s through the 1970s, he has painstakingly adapted 26 colorful knitwear projects for the home knitter. The majority of the patterns are for classic mid-twentieth-century women's sweats, from 1956's Abstract Expressionist to 1976's Puppy Love. But there's much more in *The Ohio Knitting Mills Knitting Book*: men's sweaters like 1954's Father Knows Best, as well as dresses, shoulder bags, ponchos, and scarf sets. Clear directions, supplemented by schematic charts and color guides, make all of the patterns easy to follow, for everyone from beginners to more advanced knitters. The patterns are featured in their original colors (teal and tangerine, ocher and avocado) alongside newer palettes geared to contemporary tastes. As you create your own versions of such mid-century standbys as New American Gentleman, Rebel Rouser, Wavy Gravy, and Beatnik Babe, there's a lot more to enjoy. No run-of-the-mill knitting guide, this fun-to-peruse book includes vintage photographs; fashion lore, including a visual tour of original labels from national brands, regional department stores, and small-town shops; and interviews with Ohio Knitting Mills employees. All told, this book highlights the ingenuity and excitement of an important American fashion era. From argyle to zigzag, *The Ohio Knitting Mills Knitting Book* brings it all back.

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