

The Opinionated Knitter

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Elizabeth Zimmermann : The Opinionated Knitter before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Opinionated Knitter:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A must have for every knitter's libraryBy W WI've wanted this book for quite some time and my wonderful husband surprised me with it. EZ is an icon of modern knitting. The title is perfect for this collection of original newsletters, stories, photos, and shared memories of a part of Elizabeth's life she chose to share with the world. Her daughter did a wonderful job putting it together. It was like reading letters and notes from a beloved family member.The patterns are instant classics to the seasoned knitter. To those new to knitting they might find the lack of beginner illustration and instructions difficult to follow. Don't let this discourage you. There are many online resources dedicated to the wonderful works of EZ. I highly recommend this book for your own collection or to give as a gift to your favorite knitter.~T2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Not for the faint of heartBy K. MooreThe patterns are written in the classic Elizabeth Zimmermann fashion - very chatty as if your grandmother is explaining it to you while you fumble with your yarn. Some people hate this style of "pattern" and want line by line directions. I'd recommend going to Vogue Knitting: The Ultimate Knitting Guide or Knitting Know-How.Personally, I like being reminded of how my grandmother knits. She measures things out with her hand, casts on, and an hour later she's made a cute little dress for her great-granddaughter's American Girl Doll.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Are there any more like you at home?By aka the knitterLove, Love, Love this collection of newsletters. I think I may have all the EZ books by now. A friend gave me my first in '81 or '82. Knitting without

tears. Elizabeth Zimmerman is a knitter who makes it a little easier to knit anything without a traditional pattern using her percentage pattern or your own ideas. I recommend her books to beginning knitters, intermediate knitters and more advanced knitters. (although those usually have found her all by themselves.) I also recommend Sally Melville's *The Knit Stitch** to beginning knitters. She does seem more up to date. And because of that could become dated. However Elizabeth's are classic designs. There are nice baby things and some items that are quick and easy too. I hope her daughter Meg (and now the owner of the company School house press) will put together some more of EZ's newsletters into another book. I know it would be well received.**The Knitting Experience Book 1: The Knit Stitch, Inspiration Instruction*

"Many knitters consider the designs in Elizabeth Zimmermann's 'Newsletters' to be timeless, from her first Fair Isle issue in 1958 to the now classic Baby Surprise Jacket in 1968. Long time fans will welcome these old friends and new knitters may discover the freedom and creativity that Elizabeth's patterns encourage." 35 designs for hats, coats, sweaters, stockings, tights and more. Over 75 color photos plus heretofore unpublished excerpts from Elizabeth's journals. The woman was a genius, there's no other word for it, and this is destined to become another Zimmermann classic, a must-have addition to any knitter's library.