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From a cute chick and a stripy snake to colourful mice and a patchwork tortoise, this title presents 25 knitting patterns for adorable toys for newborns to teens.

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Ashley says

From the title and cover, I just expected more than what this book had to offer. I think many of the "toys" in this pattern book were not practical for anything other than waiting-to-be-heirloom, sit-on-the-shelf objects.

Amy says

Adorable patterns you can whip up quickly! I have made the mice, bunny and the dog and they are good, reliable (and fast!) patterns. I found one or two print errors. Also lacking in some basic stitch detail - not meant for beginners. But if you know your stitches these are fabulous and great to make as quick gifts!

Jennifer says

I've made the crocodile and the elephant from this book as gifts for my nephews. The instructions were well written and easy to follow. I'm hoping to make a few more projects from this book in the near future.

Rebecca says

The patterns in this book are absolutely adorable! I am currently making the alligator, and I have found the instructions to be very straight forward. No confusion here! This book contains every kind of stuffed toy that you can think of, and they are equally enough for boys *and* girls.

Mary says

There are only a few patterns I would consider making.

McKinley says

Animals, dolls, and other stuff.

Maggi says

This book caught my eye with some of the really creative and fun toy patterns, but I haven't gotten around to trying any of them out because the patterns seem incredibly complex and hard to follow. I'm relatively new to knitting, but usually there is a good mix of beginner, intermediate and advanced projects in a book. I'd

recommend this to an advanced knitter who has a really firm grasp of most of the knitting techniques out there. Maybe I'll come back to this book once I have a few more projects under my belt.

Molly says

Some of the patterns were a bit tricky, but overall they were great fun!

Laurajean says

I've never felt the urge to knit toys, but after paging through this book, I'm ready to knit a bunch. I think I'll start with the snake on the cover and move on next to the dachshund with the polka dot back and the stripey tummy!

Crystal Eberle says

Since I'm moving to Hawaii, I figured I needed to try knitting things that aren't hats, gloves, scarves, or sweaters. The photography in this book is very inspiring. So far, I've knitted the elephant and a tiny mouse. The elephant directions were a little difficult to follow, but not impossible. I didn't like the elephant directions which instructed you to knit a mirror image by changing all the knits to purls and all the purls to knits. This was too difficult for me to process, so I just photocopied the instructions and used a red pen to change the stitches.

I do wonder how well the toys would hold up to real play by real toddlers and preschoolers. The button style eyes seemed to me to be a choking hazard, but the felt eyes seemed fragile. Better to be safe. My favorite part of the book is the photographs.

Amanda says

I got this book on clearance and I'm glad I didn't pay full price. This book is not meant for beginning knitters, and while I may eventually try a few of these patterns it will be a while before I will feel comfortable deciphering them.

The book is full of great pictures, but I would gladly sacrifice 2 or 3 of the 4 to 5 pictures per toy for better instructions on how to make them. The projects are not grouped by difficulty and the author seems to assume that the reader is familiar with most knitting terms. The toys are cute, but when a pattern book provides patterns that are difficult to follow, I can't justify giving it a higher score.

Candace says

this is the best book of patterns i've ever coughed up \$30 for. out of the 20 or more offered, i'll probably knit at least 3/4 of them. it's rare that i find a book with so many likable patterns. i've knit 3 so far and every one has been perfect. my only complaint is that zoe mellor seems to have an aversion to knitting with circulars. almost every one is done straight or on double points (ick) and then lots and lots of grafting.

Sarah says

Lately, I've been kind of obsessed with knitting toys for some unknown reason. I've made a few of the patterns in here as cat toys, which were great stash buster projects. The only thing I don't like the use of charts rather than written directions for some of the projects, I find it much too easy to lose my place.

Sweetp-1 says

The mice pattern in this book is one of my all time fav toy patterns. Very cute.

Snail in Danger (Sid) Nicolaides says

This has a number of cute designs. Some of them are a little strange-looking; knitted toys, IMO, well, some designs work and some don't. The only thing that I object to is that it is somewhat overly insistent about using recommended brands and styles of yarn. (I don't think this makes the author a bad person or anything silly like that, just that there's no real guarantee that all styles/colors of yarn will be available for long.)
