

Book Reviews

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Seven Things That Can Make or Break a Sweater

By Margaret E. Fisher

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Fisher, a TKGA master knitter, puts her know-how to use, delving into seven of the biggest bugaboos that knitters face: Which cast-on edge—smooth or bumpy—is the right one? What's the best way to increase evenly and invisibly when transitioning from ribbing to a main pattern stitch? Which slanting decreases will produce perfect full-fashioned shaping? How can holes be avoided when performing a Make 1 increase? What's the difference between picking up stitches on vertical or horizontal edges? Buttonholes? Blocking? Fisher provides answers in text and pictures, then backs up her seven methods with seven garments that incorporate the techniques. The Baby Cardi uses all of them, and the other garments—textured cardis, pullovers and a vest with various necklines and borders—utilize most.