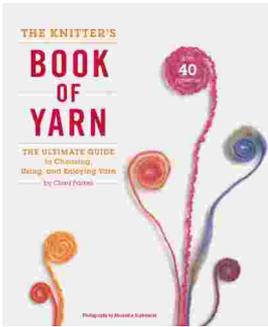


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*By Ellen Clara Parkes's book covers characteristics of yarns and yarn blends of the huge and ever-growing selections that entice us where yarns are sold. I wish I had this book long ago, before I wasted a great deal of money and precious time knitting items that I wore once and never again. Yarns look so beautiful and so similar on the shelves and in the baskets and bins that urge us to buy them. We had to use them and wear or use the items made from them in order to learn their characteristics that too often were unpleasant surprises. I recall not fondly my experience with a sweater that I knit from expensive 100% bamboo yarn that was wondrously soft to the touch and comfortable for summer wear. I wore it on a trip, as a versatile piece that I could pair with pants and skirts and thus reduce to a minimum my travel wardrobe. The sweater fit perfectly the first time I wore it, but to my dismay it grew larger and larger with each wearing. It did not shrink back when laundered. If bamboo yarn had been in common use before Parkes wrote this book, I'm sure she would have steered me away from my selection of the yarn. Parkes tells us what to expect from the yarns available in 2006 or 2007, when the book was published. It stands as an excellent guide, but I hope that Parkes plans to publish an updated edition.*  
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*By Karla Karoma I love Clara Parkes writing style, as well as how informative she is. For myself, I learned to knit when I was 5. I left knitting at the age of 11, and returned many, MANY years later. I fell in love with all types of yarn, the soft smoochy kind, the colorful, you name it - fiber. I think I'm actually in love with fiber. But not all fiber is the same, and not all yarn is produced in the same manner from the same breed of sheep, or other animal, or plant. It's important to know their properties, and their best use. That pilly yarn? Yes, that can be frustrating, but once you understand... you understand! and can make better buying decisions. I still read yarn reviews on Ravelry. Now I have more information with which to make buying and use decisions. I direct reviewers to Clara's book, and other online resources. Now my yarn stash is better aligned with what I like to knit. Thank you, Clara!*  
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