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Betty Christiansen : Knitting for Peace: Make the World a Better Place One Stitch at a Time before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Knitting for Peace: Make the World a Better Place One Stitch at a Time:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Larger Print Please By mary I belong to a knitting group that knits for causes listed in this book; mainly the Mother Bear..... They handed out the patterns and I was so impressed that I purchased the used book from . Truly a beautiful book and the stories touch your heart. I only wish I could knit for all of the orphans of the world. The photography is magnificent. My only complaint is that the print is small and it is very dull. I can cope with that situation but I am afraid that other people with serious eye issues might have a problem. I am thinking of getting one of those page magnifiers. My eyes are average for my age. Please don't let that stop you. You can always xerox the page and print it out in a larger font if it is a problem. Please take up your knitting needles and do something for the cause. Mary in New Hampshire

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Peaceful knitting By Tashien When I received "Knitting for Peace: Make the World a Better Place One Stitch at a Time", I was expecting a smaller book. I was quite pleasantly surprised to see that not only did the book contain patterns for knitted charity items, but stories about how the item got started, helpful tips for contributing to a charity work and some contact information for the charities involved with a specific item. The knitting patterns were clearly written and easily understood. There is a helpful index in the back of the book that explains not only the stitch abbreviations, but the different techniques and textures involved. There are also website links for getting started with charities and charity

patterns. I was pleased to see that my favorite pattern resources were listed. Overall, I would recommend this book to any knitter who wants to craft for charity purposes. I originally purchased the book because it was more cost effective than purchasing the two patterns I was looking for separately. I then discovered it had more patterns in it than expected. I have to say that I am delighted with it and so are some of my friends I craft with, as we all do volunteer work at various charity facilities. There are some lovely kitties and dogs at our local Humane Society that will love the Adopt Me blanket pattern in the book. :-) Definitely in my "must have" recommendations for the future! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Perfect for charity knitters
By Mary ordered after I borrowed a copy from my library.

All across America, people are knitting for peace. In yarn shops and private homes, churches and synagogues, schools and even prisons, they meet on weekday evenings or weekend afternoons to knit afghans for refugees, mittens for the homeless, socks for soldiers, or premie caps for AIDS babies. The tradition goes back as far as Martha Washington, who spearheaded knitting efforts for the soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and has seen a recent flourishing in what is nowadays called charity knitting, community knitting, or knitting for others. And whether its for world peace, community peace, or peace of mind, today's various causes have the common goal of knitting the world into a better place one stitch at a time. Knitting for Peace is an exceptional book that celebrates the long heritage of knitting for others. It tells the stories of 28 contemporary knitting-for-peace endeavors, and features patterns for easy-to-knit charity projects such as hats, socks, blankets, and bags, plus a messenger bag emblazoned with the Knitting for Peace logo. Enlivened by anecdotal sidebars and quotations from both knitters and peacemakers, this inspiring book also includes everything readers need to know to start their own knitting-for-peace groups.

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