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Hand Spun: New Spins On Traditional Techniques





Synopsis

In her newest book, Hand Spun, art-yarn pioneer and Pluckyfluff creator Lexi Boeger offers yet another exciting collection of new and innovative spinning techniques. This well-rounded book also covers a handful of traditional styles for the spinner to master and then turn on their ear. The many uses of these beautiful one-of-a-kind yarns are demonstrated in Boeger's trademark, surprising, and inventive projects. Learn the basics of fiber prep, from washing raw fleece to carding techniques. Find out how to adapt basic spinning styles to create cutting-edge forms. Be inspired by a stunning gallery of hand-spun yarns that combine various techniques shown in the book. Get complete instructions for 20 fashion-forward, yet accessible, projects including chunky scarves, fabulous hats, a belt, a rug, boas, and more.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

If you are looking for some new spinning techniques this book has some new ideas. It builds on the techniques found in the previous book by Boeger called, "Intertwined" by adding some twists on the techniques in that book. Handwoven is full of "how to" details with great photography and illustrations. I admit I was a bit disappointed seeing several sections from the Intertwined book were printed in "Handwoven" with the same exact photos. Upon closer inspection, I saw the reprinted sections do offer more tips on spinning that yarn and expanded techniques were added (great indepth details for "how to")...but they could have at least changed the photos! I am sure Lexi Boeger has mounds of beautiful yarns laying around to show off!Handspun is full of beautiful photos

and lots of tips and techniques. I recommend this book to anyone wanting to spin art yarns! It is an EXCELLENT addition to my library.

Following on from Intertwined, this book has beautiful examples of techniques for spinning yarns. There have been at least two other spinning books recently, however I feel this one has the edge because it contains good projects. Includes fibre preparation - even crazy carding, fabulous yarns that any yarnie would die for, features spinners and projects. Twists, tails, core spinning and more. Great photos, great content that should be in every spinner's hands. This review first appeared on yarnsandfabrics website.

This is a great how-to for making awesome art yarns. From basic corespinning to advanced cabling and combining techniques, this is a great guide for creating your own works of art. It's easy to understand with great photos. I like how it included finished products, both for art yarns and for other fibers. If you've ever looked at a crazy beehive yarn and wondered how the heck it was made, this is the book for you!

I think this is a good book for people interested in art and textured yarn creation. There are books out there that are more instructional, but the photographs are fantastic and the interviews with other spinners is helpful. Sometimes it's not so much technique from other spinners that helps you learn more, it can be attitude and approach. For me, the attitude and approach were the selling points.

My first spinning teacher showed me how to ply and double ply. Lexi Boeger with her book, Hand Spun, took me way beyond that! My favorite is the ripples, beehives (cocoons?), and inclusions. Pictures and inspirations abound in this book. Want to get creative? This book is waiting for you to open it. It's a cookbook of spinning inspiration.

This is a glorious book! The photo illustrations are luscious! I have Lexi's previous book, "Intertwined" which I thought could never be outdone, but this does. If you already are not addicted to artist yarn's beware of this book, as you will be even if you have never involved yourself.

A great book full of wonderful ideas. Hand spinning at an Art yarn level. I liked the innovative way in which many fibres were used to make fun and fabulous yarns. Illustrations clear and large, a joy to browse.

If you like extreme yarn and fun small projects that only require simple knit patterns you will love this book like I do. When working with crazy yarns complicated stitches rarely show so if you like your knitting simple but your yarn fancy these projects are great.

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