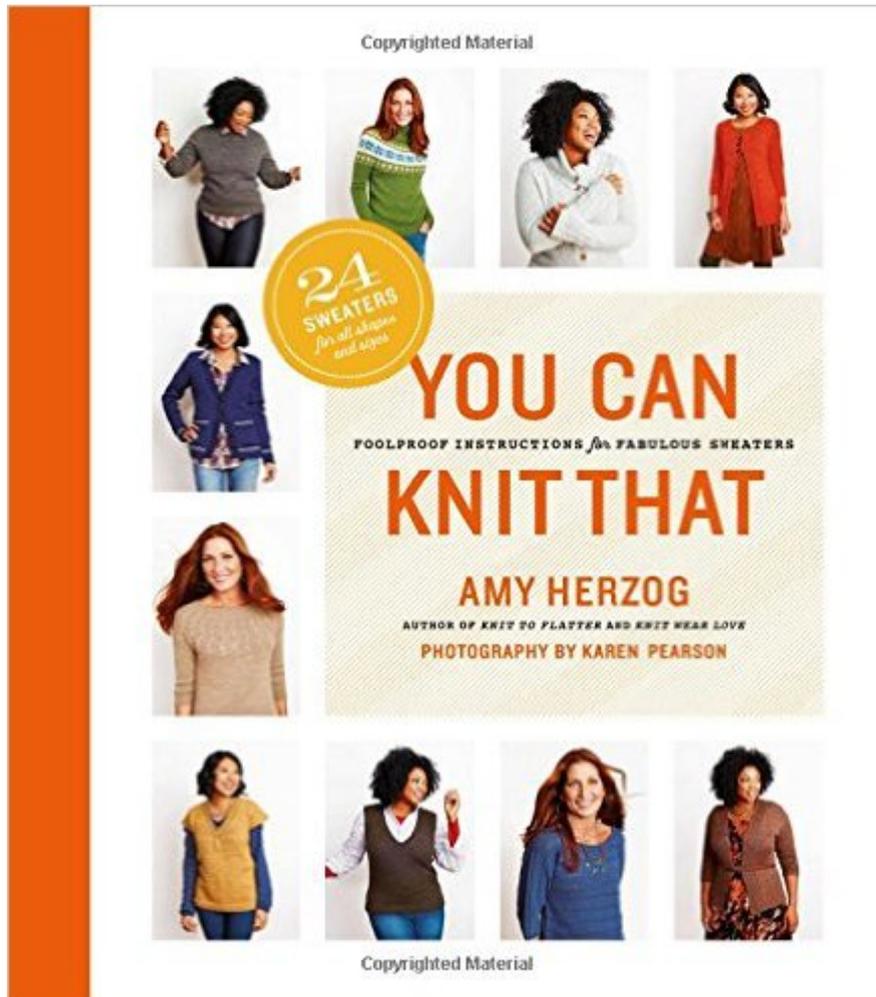


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# You Can Knit That: Foolproof Instructions For Fabulous Sweaters



## Synopsis

When knitting superstar Amy Herzog gets complimented on her hand-knit sweaters, the compliments are often followed by "but I could never knit that." Now, you can! *You Can Knit* That is a clear, simple reference book and pattern collection that gives knitters the sweater-making confidence they need. Whether you're knitting a sweater for the first time or seeking to expand your skills to knit sweaters in styles you've never tried before, this essential guide starts with basic sweater know-how and moves into instructions for knitting six must-have sweater styles—vests, all-in-one construction, drop shoulders, raglans, yokes, and set-in sleeves. Each chapter offers a less-intimidating mini-sweater sized for a child and a selection of adult women's patterns in 12 sizes—24 sweater patterns in all, each building on the next, to ensure success with even the most complicated sweaters.

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I don't usually review a knitting book till I've completed a project from that book, but I'm making an exception here because a) I've knitted several of this designer's patterns and they're consistently good and b) there's so much more going on in this book than just the patterns. There are 24 patterns in this book, sorted out by sleeve type. So there's a chapter of vests, one for sweaters knitted with the sleeves knitted into the pattern (one is a sleeve cuff-to-sleeve-cuff knit), drop sleeve sweaters, raglans, yoked sweaters, and sweaters with set-in sleeves. Each type is presented with notes on how this type of sweater works and the special skills required to knit them. The patterns include traditional knitting instructions and schematic diagrams. There are 12 sizes for each sweater, which

means that there are a lot of numbers in parentheses -- "Bind off 2 (1,2,2,0,2,2,2,2,1,2,2,2) stiches" for example. I find that it's useful to go through and circle all the correct numbers before starting to knit. The broad range of sizes also means that you can knit for just about every woman you know with this one book. It's worth noting that one of the four sweaters in each chapter is a child's sweater. This is great if you knit sweaters for kids. If you don't, the author suggests that this "mini project" will be good practice for making an adult sweater, less daunting and a good way to practice skills. I'm not buying that. There are plenty of women's patterns and I have grandchildren, so it's fine for me, but you should know that you're buying a book with 1/4 kids' patterns. There are sections for before the knitting (swatching and fitting), during the knitting (how to understand a knitting pattern), and after the knitting (blocking and care).

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