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The art of making your own hand knits begins with a few simple steps: casting on, the knit stitch, the purl stitch, and binding off. These are the keys that open up an entire world of possibilities in creating your own sweaters, accessories, gifts, and more. Pam Allen, author of the best-selling book *Knitting for Dummies*, breaks down the very first few steps of knitting for the beginner. Many knitting books, like *Knitting for Dummies*, provide a complete guide to everything a knitter needs to become accomplished in the craft. For those who are not sure they want to commit, this is the perfect start. Complete with stunning hand-drawn illustrations, this introduction to knitting is as beautiful as it is useful.

About the Author Pam Allen knitted her first sweater in high school a stockinette stitch pullover with a crew neck. Somehow she survived the experience and has gone on to knit many more, learning something new about knitting each time. She is the author of several books, was editor of *Interweave Knits* from 2003-2007, and worked as creative director at Classic Elite Yarns, before launching Quince Company in 2010. Quince Company is the result of one too many "Wouldn't it be great if..." conversations among two knitwear designers and the owner of a spinning mill, each confessing to a strong bias toward natural fibers sourced mainly from within the US. Leila Raabe lives and works in Portland, Maine. Designing knitwear independently and for Brooklyn Tweed, Quince Co., Amirisu, Gauge+Tension, and Madder, she is now the communications and creative manager at Quince after a five-year stint as operations manager at Brooklyn Tweed.