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11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Gorgeous knits, stunning photos, beautiful inspiration!By Karen PorterThis book is a treasure! The designs and photography are stunning. The author and designer has developed eight design themes inspired by her home in Telemark and traditional Norwegian designs, and designed several garments

and accessories for each one. You can find sweaters based on the traditional drop-shoulder shape as well as more fitted and sophisticated set-in sleeve designs. There are socks, mittens, hats and wristwarmers as well. Haugland has kept it simple by using the same yarn (Rauma Finullgarn - but you could substitute another sport weight) and the same gauge for every project in the book. These wonderfully exuberant and colorful designs are photographed against the stunning backdrop of the Telemark area. Haugland describes the inspiration for each design and tells stories about her family, neighbors and about growing up in Telemark, and her love for all is evident in her words. The knits themselves are all so gorgeous, I hardly know where to begin! Most look very complex, but each comes with charts for the colorwork and clear instructions. This book is heady inspiration for those who love Norwegian style knits! 12 of 12 people found the following review helpful. Eye-candy for knitters ... and great patterns for inspiration! By Mary GWow. I love (and collect) folk-knitting books so I've seen (and own) many Norwegian knitting books. This one published by a Norwegian hand-knits designer (from Trafalgar Square) is AMAZING. The photography (shot on location in Telemark region) is spectacular ... the colors and design are traditional but edgy ... stylish but classic. Each design has 4 or 5 patterns ... a sweater, hat, mittens, socks, etc ... kids and adults ... Something for everyone. Gorgeous! 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. Great book. Easy instructions with absolutely brilliant patterns By Fossil bag Great book. Easy instructions with absolutely brilliant patterns. A must for all knitters, even if you just want it for a coffee table book

Talented knitwear designer Irene Haugland blends her love for the natural beauty, people, and cultural heritage of Telemark with her contemporary sense for color and pattern in these 30 inspiring works of art. Perfect for the ski slopes, a chilly country afternoon, or a busy city sidewalk, these designs include sweaters, cardigans, socks, hats, and mittens for men, women, and children, with step-by-step instructions, gorgeous color photographs, and the occasional finishing touch of traditional Norwegian embroidery.

It's the details that set Haugland's ideas apart whether it's surface embroidery or a clever choice of closure for a cardigan, the embellishments pop in a thoroughly fresh way. Knitters who enjoy Scandinavian-style colorwork like Dale of Norway or Mary Jane Mucklestone will adore Haugland's designs. Library Journal