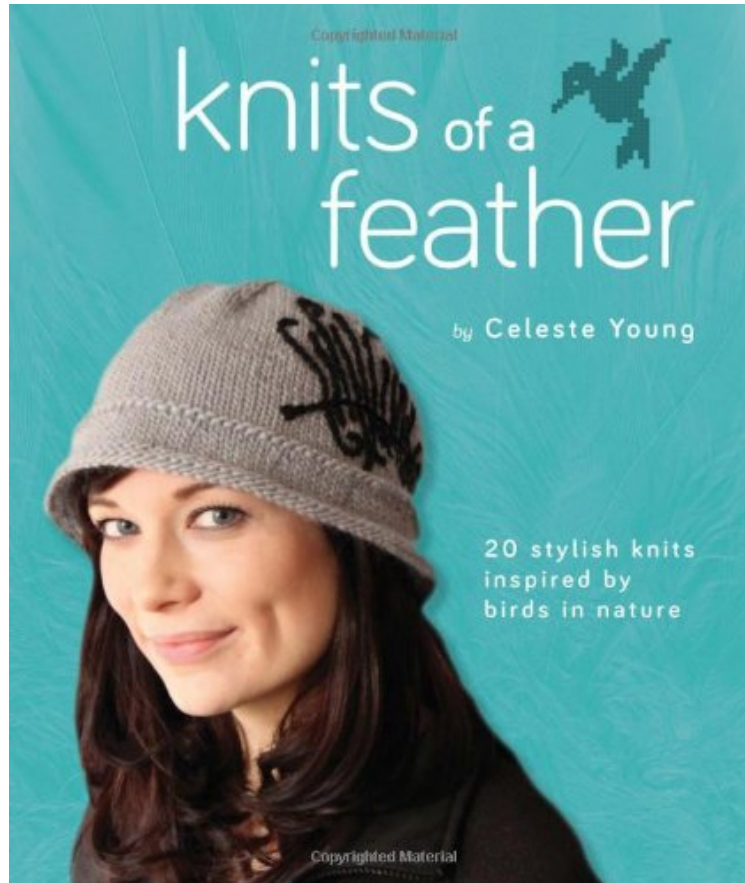


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Celeste Young : Knits of a Feather: 20 Stylish Knits Inspired by Birds in Nature before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Knits of a Feather: 20 Stylish Knits Inspired by Birds in Nature:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. The Birds.....By Georgia If you don't like birds, this isn't for you. But if you do or knit for someone who does, this is great. There is a fun range of projects with something for every skill level. I bought the book for the bird cowl pattern and love it. Knit it as a gift and the recipient was thrilled. Win-win. Can't wait to knit another in a different color combination. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great, unusual patterns. By D. A. Bartlett Wonderful accurate patterns. I was looking for a new project and am knitting these items for fun and to use at our Audubon chapter meetings for a fund raiser. I use the patterns as is, or change the item: for example, I am making a "murmurations" hat and a "snowy owl" cowl. The "birds on wires" cowl turned out great! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Theodore Woodward-partridge Love this book!

The 20 hand-knit designs in Knits of a Feather are inspired by author Celeste Young's love of birds--the patterns in

their feathers, the shape and colors of their beaks, and in flight, as they lift and glide above us. Young has created a perfect blend of the abstract and the literal, the natural and the artistic in her designs. The hats, the scarves and cowls, the shawls and capelets, sweaters, and household items are reinterpreted as beautiful, one-of-a-kind knitted pieces.

From Publishers Weekly Taking inspiration from our feathered friends, this collection of knitting patterns designed by needlework teacher Young runs the gamut from hats and wraps to sweaters and household pieces. Patterns range from more abstract takes on the feathered theme, with pieces like the geometric Cardinal Cap or the speckled Robin's Egg Wristlets, to more literal renditions, such as the pictorial Birds on a Wire Cowl and the Feathered Shoulder Warmer, a whimsical accessory composed of oversized knitted feathers. Lace and cablework make occasional appearances, but the collection forefronts colorwork designs as a way to relish patterns from the natural world. Although the difficulty key indicates how challenging each project is, most patterns fall in the intermediate range. Bird lovers and fans of colorwork will flock to this sweet collection of fun knits. (Oct.) Celeste Young's debut book Knits of a Feather (Sellers Publishing, 2013) features twenty knitting patterns inspired by birds. Included are designs for sweaters, household items, and accessories such as hats, shawls, and gloves, each with a different bird pattern. Young uses many techniques throughout this book, and she gives knitters options so they can make many of their own design decisions. --Interweave Knits, Spring 2014 A variety of knitting techniques are represented, including beading, cables, lace, duplicate stitch, and colorwork. Young pairs information about these techniques with the patterns that use them, and includes photos of what the work looks like in progress, tremendously helpful when learning a new skill. I was also pleased to see that the charts in this book are large enough to read easily, without making a trip to a copy shop to enlarge them. --Hillsborough Yarn Shop, Hillsborough, North Carolina