Spin to Knit Shannon Okey $23.95 950-1041

Do you want to knit with something other than commercial yarns? Dare to be different — become a full-fledged fiber fanatic with Spin to Knit, the essential guide for knitters wanting to learn to make their own yarn! Urban spinner Shannon Okey, author if KnitGrrl, teaches the basic tools you need to get started spinning: whether you should begin with a drop spindle or a wheel, and how to control singles, twist, and ply. S also discusses incorporating color into spinning, from "dishwater dyeing," to incorporating beads, thread, or other media into yarns for visual interest. Inventive patterns include a thrift-store garment that is jazzed-up with the addition of a beautiful handspun trim, a boatneck pullover that combines both mill- and hand-spun yarns, a retro pom-pom scarf, a traditional lace shawl, and much more.

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