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Stitch 'n Bitch Nation Penguin

“ Fascinating . . . What is remarkable about this book is that a history of knitting can function so well as a survey of the changes in women ’ s rolse over time. ” —The New York Times Book Review  
An historian and lifelong knitter, Anne Macdonald expertly guides readers on a revealing tour of the history of knitting in America. In *No Idle Hands*, Macdonald considers how the necessity—and the pleasure—of knitting has shaped women ’ s lives. Here is the Colonial woman for whom idleness was a sin, and her Victorian counterpart, who enjoyed the pleasure of knitting while visiting with friends; the war wife eager to provide her man with warmth and comfort, and the modern woman busy creating fashionable handknits for herself and her family. Macdonald examines each phase of American history and gives us a clear and compelling look at life, then and now. And through it all, we see how knitting has played an important part in the way society has viewed women—and how women have viewed themselves. Assembled from articles in magazines, knitting brochures, newspaper clippings and other primary sources, and featuring reproductions of advertisements, illustrations, and photographs from each period, *No Idle Hands* capture the texture of women ’ s domestic lives throughout history with great wit and insight. “ Colorful and revealing . . . vivid . . . This book will intrigue needlewomen and students of domestic

history alike. ” —The Washington Post Book World  
[The Bust DIY Guide to Life](#) Collins & Brown

Discover the relaxing craft of crochet! Creative and calming, crafting is the perfect way to destress! In *Crochet to Calm* you'll learn how the repetitive motion of this popular craft can not only clear your mind but also result in beautiful projects you'll be proud to show off! Best yet? All you need is a hook and a bit of yarn to get started! From home accent projects such as the Zinia Pillow, Meditative Mandala coaster, and the Papillon Pouf to cozy wearables like the Pinecone Infinity Scarf, Slouchy Slipper Boots, or Peachy Arm Warmers, you'll find 18 fun, easy projects that can be completed in almost no time at all! And with easy-to-follow photography and clear illustrations, you'll be inspired to try every last one. Featuring a foreword by Mandy O'Sullivan, founder of CraftasTherapy, *Crochet to Calm* will take your stress away, one stitch at a time.

[Stitch 'n Bitch Superstar Knitting](#) Potter Craft

Television personality Vanna White presents 52 of her favorite afghan designs. Vanna leads readers through the collection from A to Z in beautiful full-color photos. Designs cover everything from the traditional granny sqaure and designs for men to delicate heirlooms, baby designs, and designs for Christmas.

**Son of Stitch 'n Bitch** Sterling Publishing Company, Inc.

Hip in design and compact enough for a knitting bag, this user-friendly journal is packed with valuable information. Features include yarn required for basic knit items, templates, pre-drawn knitter's models, and graph paper.

[Teach Yourself VISUALLY Crochet](#) Simon and Schuster

This 240-page book is the complete, authoritative guide to the history, techniques, and patterns of crochet -- and now it's been updated to reflect what's popular in crochet today. Expanded information is given in some areas, and the skill-building

projects have been refreshed with up-to-the-minute patterns.

Materials and basic techniques are clearly illustrated. Twenty-nine unique projects are stunningly photographed and meticulously charted for symbol crochet, with thorough written instructions to guide even a novice. For those whose skills go beyond the basics, advanced techniques and projects will challenge and inspire. The pattern gallery explains how to read patterns and features 164 charts for traditional as well as brand new crochet patterns. A resource list, cross-referenced index, and bibliography round out the volume.

**Teach Yourself VISUALLY Crocheting** Workman Publishing  
Stitch 'n Bitch Crochet Workman Publishing

*Knitting For Dummies* Workman Publishing Company

The New York Times–bestselling author of *Stitch 'n Bitch* helps you take your knitting to the next level with advanced techniques and forty-one new patterns! In *Stitch 'n Bitch Superstar Knitting* Debbie Stoller teaches the full array of advanced knitting techniques and skills, such as double-knitting, knitting lace, complicated color work, beading, and more. With the same clear instruction and fierce attitude that got her dubbed a “knitting superstar” by the *San Francisco Chronicle*, Stoller explains how to “knit by the numbers”; get creative with stripes; embellish with crochet, beading, and I-cords; how to make cable patterns; and how to use color forms. She also includes a section on DIY—which gives a tutorial on creating your own knitting patterns. Then you can test your skills with forty-one cool, funky, and fabulous patterns from Debbie and the *Stitch 'n Bitch* community: a fluttery “Rococo Shawl,” a cap sleeve lattice sweater, a Chanel-styled sequined jacket, a “Empire Strikes Back Dress,” the adorable “Button It!” children’s

sweater with changeable animal patches—plus sexy stockings, stylish handbags, blankets, scarves, and more, all photographed in full-color.

YarnPlay at Home Potter Craft

A lively introduction to the art of crochet brings together detailed, step-by-step instructions, tips on tools and materials, fundamental techniques, and an array of creative designs and projects that are perfect for beginning needleworkers. Simultaneous.

*Stitch 'n Bitch Crochet* Abrams

Presents fifty patterns for contemporary knitters, and includes how to make a pattern one's own, insiders tips, and profiles of Stitch 'n Bitch groups.

Design-It-Yourself Clothes Sterling Publishing Company, Inc.

Provides detailed coverage of hook, yarn and stitch variables to explain how a variety of combinations can enable distinctive fabric patterns, sharing dozens of swatch examples and 15 practical projects. Original. Crafters Choice.

How to Crochet Potter Craft

Debbie Stoller knows that at least half the projects women knit are intended for the men in their lives. She also knows that knitting for a boyfriend or husband or father is full of pitfalls. The answer Son of Stitch 'N Bitch, the hip, smart knitter's guide to knitting for men. A "knitting superstar" (San Francisco Chronicle) and author of the New York Times bestselling *Stitch 'N Bitch: The Knitter's Handbook* and other *Stitch 'N Bitch* books, Debbie Stoller combines fashion savvy with uncommon knitting sense. Here's how to get the right sweater measurement (because size definitely matters)—and why never to bring him along to pick out the yarn. Why "what's your favorite color" is a dangerous question—and how you can't go wrong with luxury yarns for even the most rugged of boyfriends. Best of all, here are 45 edgy, hipster patterns that are guy-vetted and approved, many designed by male master-knitters or women with men as design partners. Here's the Night & Day double-sided Brooklyn Bridge scarf. The Biker Boy sweater with a patch on the shoulder to protect against messenger bag wear and tear. Lucky Socks—think rat pack at the casino. Skull Isle Cap & Mitts. The Ernie sweater. Hangover Helpers—stuffed plush "beermeister" and "whiskey bottle" pillows. The Retropolitan Cardigan, with a geek-chic take on Mr. Rogers. Plus Man Hands (fingerless gloves), a Hackie Sack Hoodie, Pinup Girl Illusion scarf (oh, behave!), and more.

*Hip to Knit* Workman Publishing

Includes crochet basics, tips on choosing the right garments to decorate, and a dictionary of 100 stitches, edgings, and motifs to use as the building blocks for creative projects.

*Way to Crochet!* Potter Craft

Presents a series of ten crochet lessons, from equipment and basic stitches to more intricate design motifs, and includes stitch

libraries and instructions for seventeen projects.

*Stitch 'n Bitch* Clarkson Potter

Presents a learn-as-you-go approach to knitting with a collection of twenty original designs for stylish bandanas, shawls, sweaters, and bags.

**The Chicks with Sticks Guide to Knitting** Penguin

Get the know-how to do it yourself: "This lifestyle manual will come in handy when you need anything from a headache remedy to a dirt-cheap wedding." —Entertainment Weekly The modern appeal of "do-it-yourself" projects has a broader reach than ever. And who better to teach us how to DIY our lives than the über-crafty editors of BUST, the quirky, raw, and real magazine "for women who have something to get off their chests"? In *The BUST DIY Guide to Life*, magazine founders Debbie Stoller (of *Stitch 'n Bitch* fame) and Laurie Henzel have culled more than 250 of the best DIY and craft projects from its 15-year history. Organized by category—beauty and health, fashion, food and entertaining, career, finance, travel, and sex—and written in BUST's trademark brazen and witty style, this quintessential DIY encyclopedia from the quintessential DIY magazine is eclectic, empowering, hilarious, and downright practical, truly capturing the spirit of women today.

**No Idle Hands** Anova Books

Yarns made from plant fibers, modern synthetics, and silk take the spotlight in this collection of 21 classic knitting patterns for socks, scarves, hats, bags, vests, sweaters, and even a luxurious bathrobe. Some knitters are discouraged by the thought of baggy hemp sweaters and droopy cotton socks when they consider vegetable fibers, but this authoritative, fun, and light-hearted guide promises that, while wool has no equal when it comes to elasticity and warmth, the right tricks and techniques produce non-wool fashions that fit well, wear well, and hang beautifully. Knitters are taught to knit swatches to study the behavior of a yarn, to choose an appropriate pattern, and to master techniques for reinforcing stitches and inserting knit-ins of springier yarn to keep cotton, silk, and other fibers from sagging. Key information about durability, weight, pilling, and special handling is provided for acrylic, bamboo, cotton, hemp, Ingeo, linen, lycra, nylon, polyester, rayon, silk, soy, Tencel, and viscose yarns, and a chapter of helpful tips advises on needles to use (and avoid), how to start new balls and weave in ends, how to work intarsia and Fair Isle patterns, smart ways to control the cost of materials, and the right methods for washing, drying, and blocking the finished pieces.

**Finishing Techniques for Crochet** Random House Digital, Inc.

This highly VISUAL guide makes it easier than ever to get hooked on

crocheting The approximately 30 million crocheters in the U.S. make crocheting one of today's hottest hobbies. This VISUAL guide makes it easy to pick up a hook and a ball of yarn and get stitching, with clear, step-by-step presentations of techniques accompanied by detailed color photos that show readers exactly what to do. The book's more than 20 patterns—everything from blankets to mittens to a man's necktie—appeal to hip, modern crocheters.

*Stitch 'n Bitch Interweave*

Create an entire world of sophisticated projects using one simple skill. Absolutely anyone can sew in a straight line. And with this one skill and some basic guidance, television host and crafty expert Brett Bara demonstrates how you can make custom home decor, stylish fashions, and one-of-a-kind gifts. Sewing in a Straight Line is a step-by-step guide to creating 28 deceptively simple projects that look like they came from a chic boutique—far more impressive than you would expect for such little effort! These easy-to-make items offer quick gratification that even the busiest among us will appreciate. From a flirty two-hour miniskirt to the cutest plush toys, many of the projects take only a spare afternoon. With Brett's eye for fresh, modern style and her encouraging advice, sewing couldn't be easier. So break out your needle and thread, fire up your machine, and get creative. A world of handmade possibilities is a few easy stitches away!

Penguin

From creating a slip-knot to slipping your first stitch, from working with colour to joining new yarns, this book provides a one-stop guide to the most popular crochet techniques and explains how to work each method properly.

*Stitch 'n Bitch Nation* Ballantine Books

Written by Norah Gaughan, one of the most innovative and respected knitwear designers working today, *Knitting Nature* was an instant classic when it was released in hardcover in 2006, and it is now available at a must-have paperback price. In *Knitting Nature*, Gaughan blends together the natural and artistic world with 39 stunning, fun-to-knit designs for women, men, and children. Among them are a skirt patterned after the hexagonal scales nature has used to cover a domed turtle's shell, a jacket whose collar grows in a spiral—much the same way a ram's horn does—and a tank top with leaves that grow the same way they do on a stem. Also available from Norah Gaughan: *Norah Gaughan's Knitted Cable Sourcebook*, *Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Babies & Toddlers*, and *Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Afghans*.