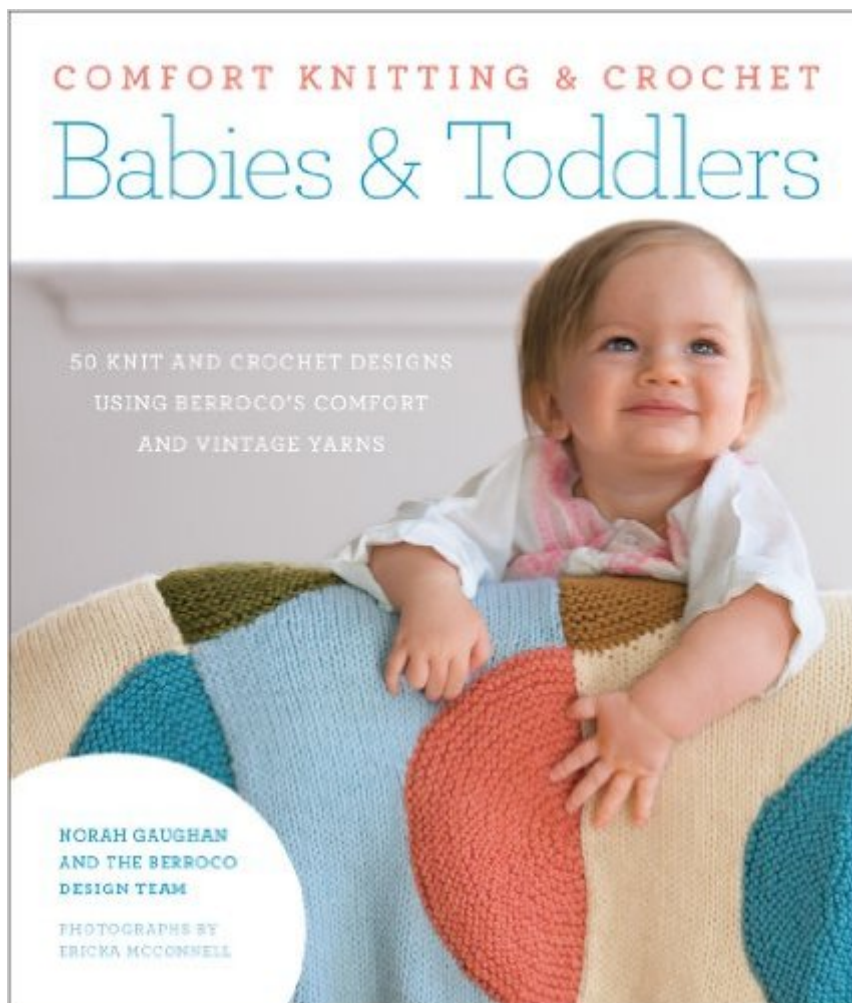


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# Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Babies & Toddlers: More Than 50 Knit And Crochet Designs Using Berroco's Comfort And Vintage Yarns



## Synopsis

Nary a knitter or crocheter can resist making soft, snuggly things for babies. In *Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Babies & Toddlers*, the Berroco design team (led by superstar design director Norah Gaughan) cover all of the cozy bases, presenting blankets, sweaters, bonnets, and plush toys. Like the first book in the Comfort series—*Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Afghans*—this one features 50 knit and crochet projects using the company's bestselling, affordably priced Comfort and Vintage yarns. With project styles ranging from traditional pastels and Aran knits to midcentury modern color-blocking, and challenge levels ranging from beginner to advanced, there's something for every knitter and crocheter—and every baby they love—in this beautiful collection. Also available from Norah Gaughan: *Norah Gaughan's Knitted Cable Sourcebook*, *Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Afghans*, and *Knitting Nature*.

Praise for *Comfort Knitting & Crochet: Babies & Toddlers*:

- "Has a whopping 50 patterns for knitters and crocheters who want to outfit little ones in style."
- "About.com: The girls' crochet sweaters are adorable. Cleire's Cardigan is bobblescious."
- "Examiner.com: What you will not see are frilly, lacy dresses that might have been popular a few generations back but which aren't very practical in today's world. Nor will you see patterns with a lot of dangerous, sewn-on embellishments that children can stuff in their mouths and choke on. This book has practical, wearable clothes that are attractive but down to earth."
- "MyCentralJersey.com: This Pink Lemonade Dress? To Die For."
- "Smashed Peas and Carrots: What better way to welcome a new baby to the family than with a soft and cuddly hand-knitted or crocheted piece made with lots of love?"
- "Detroit News: If you have a baby or toddler in your life, this is a great book to get."
- "The Foodie Knitter podcast: Whether you wield a hook, a pair of needles, or both, you'll find something to your little one's liking."
- "Yarn Market News: This is not a book that I'd grow tired using over and over again."
- "Knitty.com: A

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## Customer Reviews

I've browsed this book multiple times in stores, and finally decided to purchase it. I think the book is excellent all around, and has some very creative ideas, especially for blankets and onesies.

However, I must disagree with the previous reviewer - I was a bit disappointed with the crochet patterns and felt that the knit ones were much more inspired. But that is probably just a difference in taste! A breakdown of the patterns - 24 blankets (2 with alternate color variations) 3 toys (a bird, a caterpillar, and an orange slice) 1 bib 4 dresses 6 cardigans 1 pullover 1 bunting 3 onesies/rompers 3 hats (2 with alternate color variations)

I love Norah's patterns but this collection is a HUGE disappointment. Why? The sizes for almost every clothing pattern stop at 24 months which means it is not a collection of baby AND toddler patterns. I thought I had found a 'gap' book to fill that void between baby and child sizes, but this book is not that and is a let down.

The book is awkward to handle and the photos are quite ugly reminding me of a baby book for the 30s. The colors chosen are on the dull side. I bought the book for the Darla blanket and I also like the snowflake one. There were several "onesies" which seem very old fashioned. Would a baby feel comfortable in one of those outfits? There are a few toys also. All the circular blankets use chunky yarn so they must be intended for rugs. Charts are included where needed and the instructions look quite thorough. I bought the book as a bargain book. I didn't look at the book before buying but I suggest to look before you purchase.

I have only tried one of the patterns in this book so far and it turned out ok, but I have a some experience. I had some problems with the yarn specifics and gauge. A few more diagrams might have helped a little too. Overall, I am glad I got it.

I did get to preview many of the patterns in this book prior to buying it. From that preview alone, I found several patterns I wanted to make - both knitted and crocheted. In fact, yarn has already been purchased! I particularly like the dresses and the bolero. The patterns use a variety of yarns - from baby to chunky weight; acrylic blends to 100% wool. Beginner knitters and crocheters could probably find something in this book to make. Well worth the money.

I will definitely be getting this book out again when the weather turns cold. With 2 little ones myself, baby things are my favorite to create. I was very pleased with the abundance of patterns, both for knitting and crochet. This works wonderful for me, because I do both. Finding modern crochet patterns can be very tricky. It seems that there are endless beautiful knit patterns, while everything crochet looks dated. I thought this book did a wonderful job of adding modern crochet patterns. There are an abundance of blanket patterns. All very sweet. I am not a fan of making blankets though (so much time!). However if blankets are something you enjoy, this book won't disappoint. One item I thought was missing was a modern baby bootie. I found it odd that a baby/toddler book wouldn't have a single pattern for booties. The styling of this book was spot on. The photos were just gorgeous. The chubby babies, natural lighting, floral textiles. It really took this book to a new level. I found myself wanting to make many of these patterns, especially the Paddington Coat and Cleire Cardigan. Each pattern includes an abundance of sizes. Mostly 3,6,9,12,18 and 24 months. I also thought that the section in the back was very helpful. It included all the specialized terms for knit/crochet. These can be tricky to memorize if you are just getting started. Nice to have them available in the book instead of having to Google them constantly. I will note that this is not a book for beginners, unless you are very ambitious. Most of the patterns are fairly complex. A more experienced knitter/crocheter would get the most use out of this one.\*I received a free copy from NetGalley in exchange for my honest review.

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The one genre I truly enjoy knitting is babies and toddlers. Crochet has no limits, I love it all. Coats, Sweaters, Dresses, Jackets, Blankets, Hats and Cardigans. There is even a Onesie to make. So many choices I do not know where to start. Blankets for charities, the church nursery, or caps for the hospital. Clothes for disaster victims and hours of fun for me. With no little ones due to

any of my family or friends I still can not wait to see how some of these turn out. Depending on your speed they can take as little as a few hours to as long as a few days, but the outcome can be something cherished forever and handed down through the generations. Make a memory today!

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