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**Sheryl Thies : Ocean Breezes: Knitted Scarves Inspired by the Sea** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Ocean Breezes: Knitted Scarves Inspired by the Sea:

65 of 65 people found the following review helpful. inspiring ideasBy M. Poller25 scarf patterns on nautical themes. Most of the main patterns can be found in Barbara Walker's stitch pattern books. Some scarves can be made into shawls or stoles. Almost all of them are rectangular in design and have edgings which are mainly standard but some interesting variations. More expensive yarns used but all can be easily substituted as description and yarn standard number is always given. Besides gauge is not essential here. Each scarf has a schematic. Good large color photos and nice intro to each project. Credit must be given to author's husband who had final ok for each one! This is a good collection useful for presents or for knitting more expensive yarns without spending too much. None of the patterns are difficult so beginners can easily wade in. I find the collection inspiring as a basis for shawls or stoles or using other patterns from my stitch collections. Those of us who have been knitting sweaters for ages can now try other things even though this is probably geared more to the new knitter. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Lots of great patterns and inspiration. By dlhI've been looking at this book online for awhile, and finally decided to buy it after reading several good reviews. I'm not disappointed! The book offers lots of good patterns, which then leads to even more ideas through inspiration that the author's patterns furnish. I'm happy to see some good, solid designs, with very outlandish styles reined in. Don't get me wrong - I like fun, silly scarves as much as the next person. But on the whole, a classic design will take you much further, and will allow you to whip up your own whimsical designs with a good foundation. Good book for those wanting to step up from just plain garter and/or stockinette scarves, with the added

bonus of learning new skills and techniques. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Ok to Look At The Pictures By rose thyme Have owned this book twice, and never got off the ground with any of the scarves. Pretty to look at, but way too tedious for a scarf because I like plain scarves anyway. Only got it this time to look at the photos.

Find an ocean of possibilities for diving into a new knitting adventure! Distinctive scarf and shawl designs range from dainty and lacy to classic, cozy, fashion-forward, and fun. Choose from 25 skill-building projects such as Cockleshell Lace, Sea Foam, and Turtle Tracks. Expand your techniques with simple yarn-over patterns, twist and crossover stitches, and fancy ribs. Play with sea-inspired colorways in designs suited for everything from beach wear to winter wear.

When I started knitting, I (like most other beginning knitters) made tons of scarves. It's the perfect beginning project--just a whole bunch of knitting (and, for the more adventurous beginner, maybe a little bit of purling) without having to worry about shaping. Most beginners end up knitting so many scarves that they--and all of their friends and family members--eventually run out of places to store them all. Then, once they get sick of knitting scarves, they decide that it's time to move on--determined never to knit a long, boring scarf ever again. But the scarves in Sheryl Thies's book, *Ocean Breezes: Knitted Scarves Inspired by the Sea*, are anything but boring. Inspired by the colors, textures, and shapes found in and around the ocean, the 25 projects in the book are designed to evoke warm, tropical thoughts on the coldest winter day. Though you may expect a book of scarves inspired by the sea to be just a bunch of wavy patterns, knit in shades of blue, the designs in *Ocean Breezes* are widely varied. They come in everything from delicate lace to heavy cables, and the imaginative designs take their inspiration from everything from waves to plants to sea creatures--so they use all kinds of patterns, textures, and colors. Although I'm not one of those knitters who refuse to knit scarves ever again (in fact, I'm working on one right now), I was a bit skeptical about a book full of just scarves. But *Ocean Breezes* surprised me. The designs--though they're not all my style--are, for the most part, quite beautiful. The colors are vibrant, and the patterns are so varied that you're sure to find something suitable for everyone on your holiday knitting list (the Nautical Twisted Rope for Uncle Joe, the lacy Sea Foam for Mom). And they're designs that you'll actually want to make. They're not just a bunch of garter stitch scarves in various yarns. In fact, there isn't a single pattern in the book for a plain old garter stitch scarf. These patterns use gorgeous stitch patterns--all of which are written out in the clearest way possible (though there aren't any charts, which might disappoint more visual knitters). Even if you've taken a no-scarf vow, I still recommend checking out *Ocean Breezes*. The designs are warm and inspiring--and no matter how adamant you may be about never knitting another scarf, these patterns are beautiful enough to make you start clearing out a little bit of closet space for just one or two more. --Kristin Dreyer Kramer, [nightsandweekends.com](http://nightsandweekends.com) Inspired by a love of the ocean, these hand knitted scarves are a clever result of following a theme. From shells and lobster claws to seaweed, all these scarves are inspired by the sea. Twenty-five good projects will test your knitting skills as the patterns include lace, textured knits and soft wispy cobwebs. I think you'll be amazed at the versatility of this designer and that you will want to knit quite a few of these projects. --From Karen Platt, *Booker* If you love love love knitting traditional scarves but have run out of ideas, *Ocean Breezes* by Sheryl Thies offers 25 different ways to keep your neck warm and your fingers busy. Along with scarves in varying shapes, *Ocean Breezes* includes a collar, cowl, and shawls. One quibble--the usual--is that draping these works on bits of flotsam and jetsam along the shore doesn't really do them justice. --[knitnet.com](http://knitnet.com) About the Author Home: Madison, Wisconsin A writer and knitting instructor Sheryl Thies is also the coauthor of four other Martingale titles.