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Vedis Jonsdottir : Knitting with Icelandic Wool before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Knitting with Icelandic Wool:

16 of 17 people found the following review helpful. Icelandic Knitting in the Lopi Style By Fairbanks Reader - Bonnie Brody Knitting with Icelandic Wool is a classic book of Icelandic patterns utilizing Lopi yarn. The Lopi Sweater is a classic and one that almost every knitter has made at one time or another. One of the greatest things about a Lopi sweater is that it only has two small seams. Another great thing about it is its warmth. The book opens with the origins of Icelandic knitting and the wool industry in Iceland. Thereafter, follow patterns, all fairly familiar to me from previous Lopi books. Some of the more special patterns in this book are Aftur, a typical Lopi pullover, Alafoss, another classic Lopi Pullover, and Ar Tresins, a classic Lopi Pullover. All of these are knit with different types of Lopi yarn. There are knits for men, women, children and babies. While most of the patterns are classic, there are several that are more modern. One of these is Endureisn, designed in 2009. It is multicolored throughout and not just on the yoke and the bottom like most Lopi sweaters. It is quite beautiful. Fadmur is a lace shawl-swater, also quite different from

classic Lopi patterns, knit all in white. The book also contains patterns for hats, mittens, socks, dresses and leggings. While many of the patterns in this book are so similar to Lopi patterns that there is not really a need to have both sets of patterns, this is a wonderful book in its own right. I love having knitting books so that I have a lot of patterns to choose from. I suggest that the knitter look at *The Best of Lopi* and this book and decide of which one of the two better fits their needs. Both are wonderful knitting books.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful.
Good Book
By Mrs. Crackers
I bought several books on Icelandic Knitting prior to my recent trip to Iceland. This was my second favorite. *Icelandic Handknits* by Helene Magnusson is my favorite. I left on my trip with several patterns from this book that I wanted to buy yarn for while i was there. I have knitted several of the patterns since my return and have not been disappointed.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Lopapeysur!
By Solumadur
The wife adores this book and has made all sorts of fun sweaters.

One of the best known types of yarn, Icelandic wool or Lopi is used to make sweaters that have a long-lasting and classic appeal. This 100% pure wool yarn is lighter, warmer, and more water-resistant than yarns from elsewhere, as the long-coated native Icelandic sheep have developed over time to ensure as much protection as possible from the harsh northern climate, giving the wool its special properties. With over sixty-five gorgeous designs, there are patterns for a range of garments for the whole family from variations on the traditional Icelandic yoked sweaters to smaller projects such as wooly hats, socks, and scarves, to stunning lacy garments and other more contemporary designs all knit in different weights of Icelandic wool. For all of the patterns complete step-by-step instructions are paired with easy-to-follow lace and color knitting charts, and all the stitches, techniques, and abbreviations you need including how to work two-color knitting and more are in the back. Beautifully photographed in Iceland and created in collaboration with Iceland's largest wool manufacturer, stex, the book includes a brief history on the emergence of the Icelandic Lopi sweater and the Icelandic wool industry. *Knitting with Icelandic Wool* is an exceptional resource for all knitters looking for new designs or traditional styles with a modern twist to make in this uniquely lightweight bulky yarn known as Lopi.

The combination of knitting history, attractive patterns, and in-depth information about Icelandic knitting traditions and techniques make this an excellent addition to knitting collections. *Library Journal* starred review Truly an inspiring book.... The sport-to-chunky sweaters all incorporate beautiful colorwork motifs, many easy enough for a beginning two-color knitter. Patterns for the smallest to tallest all look delightful. Vedis Jonsdottir has created a compelling book from every angle. Let's go get some Lopi! *Knit Circus* In general, the photography is wonderful, the patterns are beautiful, and the instructions are written clearly. The book is a hardcover, and feels and looks like a classic that you will return to time and again for wardrobe staples.... I recommend this book for knitters who like the classic Icelandic sweater look, who enjoy (or who want to venture into) stranded colorwork, and for those looking for a pattern book that will outlast the latest trends in knitwear. *Underground Crafter* blog About the Author VEDIS JONSDOTTIR grew up on a farm on the west coast of Iceland. She has worked as a knitwear designer for many companies in Iceland before she started designing handknits and became head designer at stex. She has revitalized Icelandic handknits by introducing new shapes and more intricate color combinations. Vds also chooses the yarn colors for stex, seeking inspiration in Icelandic nature, to bring out the best qualities of the wool. She currently lives in Manhattan.