



Knitting

Everyone loves knitting and many people are beautiful knitters but just lack experience in sewing up the completed project. Here is some advice from CWA of Victoria judges to help you with your knitting:

Sewing up your knitted garment:

- There should be no knots or joins of yarn in the middle of the work, except in circular knitting, in which case ends are sewn in horizontally as neatly as possible or preferably spliced. Ends of wool at sides are darned up and down, not across. Make sure there are no ends showing.
- Seams should be appropriate to garment type and yarn should be inconspicuous from outside and not bulky. Seams are tailored for adult garments except for lacy patterns when a flat seam is used. Mattress stitch done on the right side of the garment gives the neatest finish and it is easiest to match stripes or patterns. Use flat seams for bands, avoiding v's at the bottom edge of band stitching.
- When joining armholes or putting in sleeves the same stitch should show all the way down. Mattress stitch or back stitch is used for vertical seams. Horizontal seams such as shoulder seams are joined either with back stitch, or grafted, or with two pieces cast off together. Shoulders must not show holes of shaping.
- The same yarn which was used for knitting should be used for sewing up. The yarn should be split if very heavy yarn was used. Stripes or matching blocks of colour are sewn with the same colour as the knitting. Where it is impossible to sew with the knitting yarn, a matching plain yarn is used.

Link to a step-by-step guide to sewing up your knitting:

<https://www.stitchandstory.com/blogs/knitting-tips/sewing-up-vertical-horizontal>

Sewing up 1



Sewing up 2



There are so many wonderful knitting sites on the internet, it would be hard to list them all. One which is very popular and useful is ravelry.com

Ravelry is a place for knitters, crocheters, designers, spinners, weavers and dyers to keep track of their yarn, tools, project and pattern information, and look to others for ideas and inspiration. The content here is all user-driven; we as a community make the site what it is. Ravelry is a great place for you to keep notes about your projects, see what other people are making, find the perfect pattern and connect with people who love to play with yarn from all over the world in our forums.

Next week we will give you some Knitting ideas for beginners!