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Knitting Pattern-a-Day: 2009 Day-to-Day Calendar



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The knitting calendar on my desk is the most fun I can have while still working. There is a new pattern every day or 2 or 3. (Some patterns occupy multiple pages) I have used several of the patterns and have saved many more for future projects. I look forward to seeing what is new each day and try not to peak ahead. I will be ordering next year and the year after that and the year after that

I've gone through the calendar and have pulled out patterns I want to knit. I'm very happy with this coming years daily calendar.

I enjoyed flipping through the year and seeing all the patterns available. There are more than enough for a beginning knitter like me and there are many more advanced patterns too.

I was quite disappointed to see that a lot, probably at least 60%, of the patterns found in this calendar are available online for free. However, I was happy to see that the yarns are a bit more accessible than in year's past. I wouldn't bother spending the money on this, just visit Bernat's or

Lion Brand Yarn's website for the free patterns.

Since the majority of these patterns can be found online for free, and many of the patterns are spread over many days, you end up with about 30 patterns that could be called something worth paying for. Can't a company be sued for claiming they have a pattern a day, when clearly the weekends are shared and other patterns are shared also. I am bitterly disappointed the the 'pattern of the day' calendar publishers, and that runs across the board, the crochet ones, the knit ones, and the bead ones. I think I will find 365 patterns online, that hold my interest and save them in Word, and make my own for no more cost than the electricity to run the computer. Please do not waste your money buying this, and even more please, do not offend a loved one by giving this as a gift. I am wondering why the yarn companies are allowing this company to use their patterns, a private designer/maker gives up all rights to the patterns they send in. And they get no payment for the patterns. These publishers know a good deal when they can fool yarn lovers. If I could give negative stars for these calendars, I would. Basically they are selling something to you, that you can get free. Designers and makers that lose all copy rights as soon as they send in the patterns, should be aware that they can do better spiral binding a lot of their designs and selling that book on. I will not be buying the 2010 calendar.

I do feel that this calendar has been an improvement to the 2007 and especially to the 2008 calendars--but solely due to the contributions from Crystal Palace Yarns, Bernat and Lion Brand. As Tami had mentioned a large portion of the yarns are free online. I do enjoy getting it just for the sake of inspiration, and not knowing what project(s) I want to try next. It is also humorous at times to see the kitschy things other knitters create. Although it is not a great calendar, I also have been looking deeper into the patterns for techniques and learning more about various fibers and yarns.

I have the 2008 calendar and really enjoyed it. Lots of cute patterns. So, I was looking forward to the 2009 calendar. If I had been able to look through it before purchasing it, I wouldn't have. This year's calendar is not nearly as good as last years. A lot of the patterns are from large pattern companies (from free patterns off their sites) rather than from individuals. I liked the patterns that came from the average everyday knitter--they were cute and things that I would like to make. There are some nice patterns, but overall, I was disappointed.

This calendar is a wonderful collection of designs. There's something for everyone here - scarves,

gloves, shawls, sweaters, hats, blankets, baby items, AND even more unique items like knit cup warmers and teddy bears! The sturdy box they are stored in is also really nice for storage and organization. I found that there was a nice variety of projects, ranging from a beginner level to some that were much more advanced. I can't imagine trying to make all these patterns in just a year, but it's so much fun going through it and marking my favorites! This product is an unbelievable bargain and would also make a great gift for any of your knitter pals.

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