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An excellent instructional book for anyone. Presented beautifully. --Kristin Omdahl, www.styledbykristin.com "This is the book that pulled me in and set the hook (quite literally). SO well written. If you haven't gotten it yet, you should." --HookMeUp, Ravelry Tunisian crochet, sometimes called the Afghan stitch, combines the ease of crocheting with the appearance of knitting. This instructional pattern book brings Tunisian crochet into the realm of high fashion with exquisite stitch patterns, meticulous shaping, and attractive finishing. Sixteen chic projects for apparel, accessories, and home decor are explained in detail. Readers will learn how to make wearable items such as a chain mail scarf, child's jumper, honeycomb skirt, and man's vest. Home decor projects include an ottoman cover, placemats, afghan, pillow, and more--all using Tunisian crochet techniques. Detailed instructions with full-color photographs and illustrations teach the art of Tunisian crochet. Stylish, contemporary patterns for apparel and home decor. Includes instructions for 16 projects

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Anastacia says

Anyone who reads my blog regular knows that I've been rather hooked (pun intended) on tunisian lately. Besides devouring the net for patterns, hints, & tricks, I've been taking out books from the library, & so far I've been really disappointed with what I've been able to find. Most of them show the same 3 or 4 stitches that are easily found on the internet, & most of the projects are pretty much the same things: the scarf, the placemats, a plain bag, blah blah blah, using the same 3 or 4 stitches. They've all been so similiar I haven't even bothered to blog about them, because I had nothing positive to say. So when I took out Silverman's book, I wasn't expecting anything great.

but I was wrong & pleasantly surprised! Of course, there's the usual primer section with the same old boring basics & stitches that are in every crochet book on the market, it seems. But... the projects... are ones you'd actually want to make - using yarn you'd actually WANT to use!

yes, there is the usual scarf & bag (though the spin here is a felted clutch) -- but there's a very cute skirt, some nice wraps / shawls, a gorgeous duster (why are they called dusters, anyway? It's a cardigan) that I would actually wear, using affordable & easily found Lion Brand Cotton Ease. There are some very nice afghans & other wearables, too. I like this book enough I ordered one from amazon to keep in my personal craft library - and anyone who knows me, knows that's saying something!

Lisa says

Wonderful introduction to the technique of tunisian crochet, which really does (IMHO) produce results that look like knitting without requiring knowledge of how to knit. Silverman provides a basic introductions to the technique, complete with pictures (that are quite handy if you're just starting out) to give the reader a frustration-free experience with tunisian crochet. In addition, Silverman includes several patterns, quite a variety, in fact. While I haven't made any of the patterns, I read through as if planning to. Seems like they're quite easy to follow, though I expected more for the sweaters/tops in terms of shaping. Maybe it all comes out right in the end. I'll have to try it to be sure.

Even on a black and white kindle, the pictures are good; however, I imagine the photos are even better in full color.
