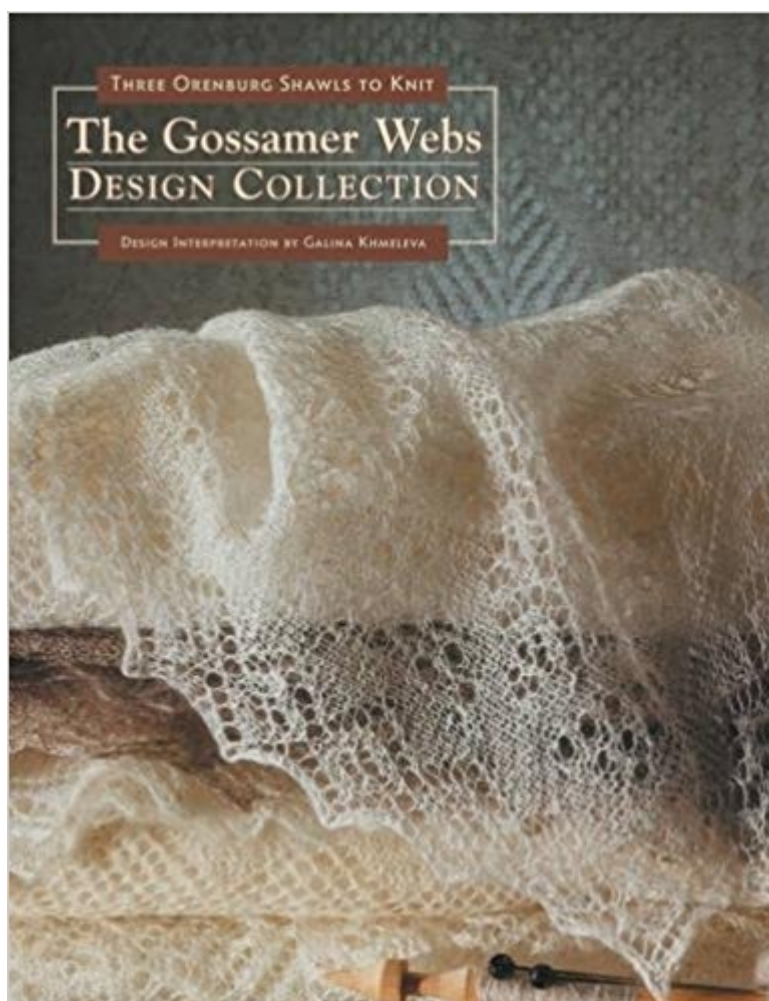


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# The Gossamer Webs Design Collection: Three Orenburg Shawls To Knit



## Synopsis

Presenting three classic Orenburg-style lace patterns in written form for the very first time. Created from a series of basic elements and patterns handed down from generation to generation from the Orenburg region of Russia, Galina Khmeleva has worked with these talented craftspeople to bring you these unique knitted masterpieces. Create your own heirloom shawl following step-by-step instructions and charts laid out for ease of knitting from bottom to top.

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## Customer Reviews

Galina Khmeleva is the author of *The Gossamer Webs Design Collection*.

This book was not what I expected after reading its synopsis. The patterns are lovely, but all three are very similar. The instructions are minimal. Supposedly, the reader will understand them after knitting a sampler. I have been knitting for more than 50 years, and I have no desire to knit a sampler I'll never be able to use. I would have preferred more complete instructions.

Despite the title, it can hardly be called a "collection", as there are only three complete patterns in the book, and one of those is only partially charted! However, the basics of the Russian patterns are clearly charted as well as how to make their standard borders, how to turn corners, etc. The lace is beautiful and the basics part of the book would be a good tool for those who want to start knitting this type of lace.

Not for the novice or beginner certainly. But does have good instructions on how to turn corners in the Orenburg manner. The three patterns are lovely, but again, understanding what is going on requires a good knowledge of lace.

I am creating one of her beautiful shawls now and I know it will take the rest of the year. I hope not longer, it is such a joy and delight to read how these shawls were necessities on all fronts for the women and their economical welfare. Would be wonderful if someone created the background of this into a movie.

The book was everything expected. The projects are beautiful. I was especially happy about the tutorials in the beginning of the book. Even with those to work with it still takes a while to see how they all work together to make the composite pattern.

Gift recipient really liked the book, impressive pictures and concepts. Expert knitter glanced over the directions and thought they seemed clear enough, but has not yet tested them out.

These shawls are gorgeous... I haven't tried to knit any of them yet, but they are on my to do list. I am currently looking for yarn that will do them justice.

This book is a wonderful primer for the Orenburg lace journey. It educates the knitter in the language of Orenburg. Very helpful..

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