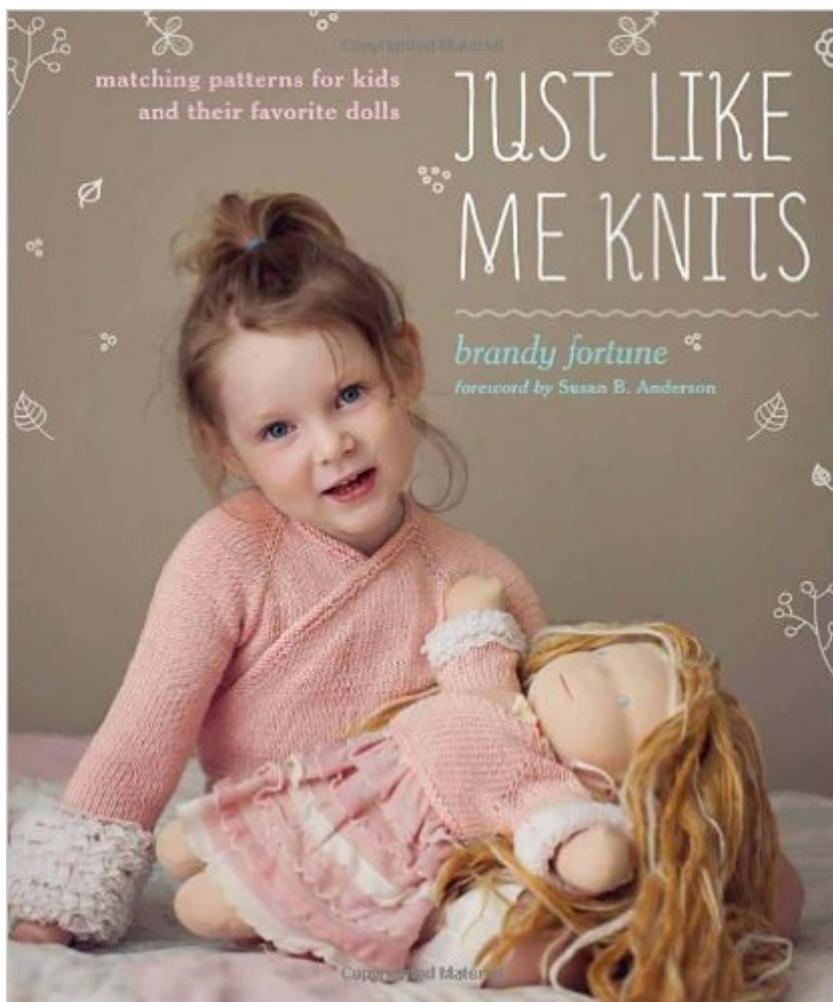


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# Just Like Me Knits: Matching Patterns For Kids And Their Favorite Dolls



## Synopsis

Sweet Little Knits for Kids and Their Dolls Little ones love to dress just like their favorite dolls or stuffed animals. In *Just Like Me Knits*, Brandy Fortune shows you how to create nineteen modern projects for children, with nineteen matching projects for 15-to-18-inch toy figures, perfect for Bambolella and other popular dolls. Knit everyday favorites such as a striped raglan sweater for an adventurous boy to run around in; fancy dress-up clothes, including a princess ballerina wrap; and accessories like the irresistible lace socks that can be made to fit mom, child, or doll. As the parent of two young, energetic girls and cofounder of the popular children's magazine *Petit Purls*, Brandy Fortune is a practical knitter. She keeps the projects in this book simple and fast, making them accessible for busy beginners yet interesting enough for more experienced knitters. You'll find everything you need to start knitting right away, including: sizing, measuring, and customization help for creating children's clothes; nineteen easy-to-follow patterns for garments and accessories for girls and boys age 3 through 10; a short guide to hand-sewing basic doll clothes, with five original patterns to create complete outfits for any doll or toy; a quick primer on knitting techniques and resources. The only thing that can make a handknit garment for a child even more special is a matching one for his or her huggable friend. You'll love making these adorable projects for the children in your life, and they'll love to help choose what they and their favorite dolls will wear.

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## Customer Reviews

Cute and adorable clothing patterns for children ages 2-12 years of age and their companions abound in this book. Author Brandy Fortune has put together a collection of nineteen patterns each for child and a 15 inch doll that would be relatively simple to knit and loved by a child. The book has patterns for ballet wraps, pinafores, boys' color work sweaters, jackets, shrugs, skirts, and even bracelets. The patterns list yarns that are usually found in specialty yarn shops, such as Blue Sky alpaca or Lorna's Laces. The patterns do use yarns in common weights, so it will be possible to substitute if a knitter chooses to do so. There are a few things in particular I really love about this pattern collection; the photographs, the dolls, and the customization suggestions beginning on page 8. The collection itself has enough variety that if you want to knit for children, you will probably be able to find something for almost every child in this book. The dolls that are wearing the matching pieces are all 15 inch cloth bodied dolls. The dolls are adorable, and remind me of Kathy Kruse Waldorf style dolls. The book states that many of the patterns should also fit on 18 inch dolls, like American girl, without much adjusting needed. This brings me to the third thing I like about this book - on page 8 Fortune tells how to use actual body measurements from children or dolls to adjust the patterns to a custom fit. Since children (and their dolls) do not have bust and waist shaping, adjusting patterns for them is much easier than for adult women. With the ability to customize, this book just made itself even more worthwhile. Knitters will need not fear a poor fit in their gifts to small loved ones. Fortune is herself a busy mother to small children.

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