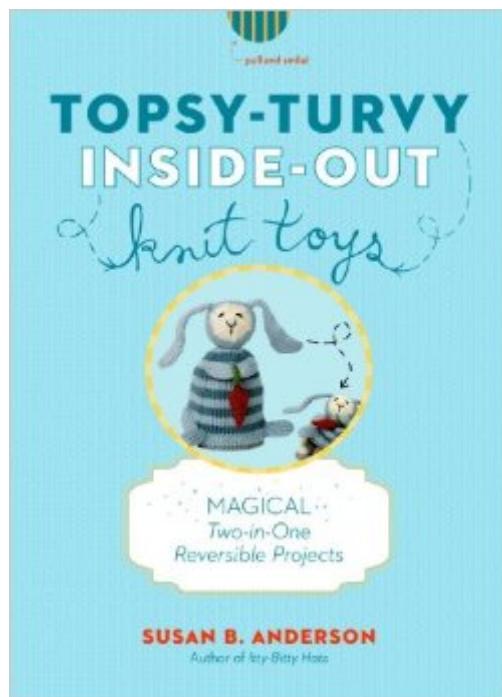


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# Topsy-Turvy Inside-Out Knit Toys: Magical Two-in-One Reversible Projects



## Synopsis

Susan B. Anderson's fifth book--her most enchanting yet--turns the spotlight on "reversibles": knitted projects that are two toys in one. This collection of a dozen delightful toys features a dog in a doghouse, a chrysalis with a fluttery surprise inside, a tiny hidden fairy, a vintage toy with a fabled theme to boot, pigs in a blanket, and much more. The adorable photographic sequences and the playful and energetic line drawings show how each finished reversible can be turned inside out to reveal its companion toy. Projects are arranged in order from simplest (fine for a beginner) to the most challenging. Finally, the book features tutorials from the author (a great knitting teacher), explaining special techniques: how to apply any applique, how to do the stem stitch, how to embroider "eyes" on the Bunny and Lamb, and 14 more. It all adds up to the best knitting book of the season.

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## Customer Reviews

I preordered this book and was thrilled when it was finally released. It arrived today, and I can't wait to knit something from this. The problem is that I love all the designs so much that I really have no idea which to knit first. Susan comes through once again with clever, adorable designs with instructions that are easy to follow. Acknowledging that most knitters dread the finishing work that toys require, Susan has thought through each design to alleviate as much finishing as possible. Clear step-by-step photos show tutorials for many techniques that are useful beyond the scope of the toys in this book, or beyond toys in general. Some of the tutorials include casting on a small number of stitches for working in the round, picking up stitches on a stuffed toy, working duplicate

stitch and stem stitch, embroidering faces, stitching on an appliquÃ©, attaching doll hair, and more. The basics of the book are great, too. The hard cover protects the pattern pages, but the covered spiral binding allows the book to lie flat while you're knitting. The cover also features a "pull and smile" tab, a nod to children's books, that reveals the reversible nature of the toys inside. The table of contents features small photos of each project next to the respective chapters--a nice touch. The narrative of the introduction to the book and to each pattern reveals the down-to-earth nature of the designer and gives a more personal connection to the designs. The photography by Liz Banfield is excellent. There is a great balance of close-up stitches-on-the-needle shots, pictures of the toys in transformation, detail shots of each toy, and kids actually playing with the toys.

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