

## The Quick and the Slow and Another Convert

I love to knit sweaters - my first projects were sweaters, and only later did I branch out to hats, socks, and mittens. Scarves were always on the menu.

**The Quick.** Baby sweaters. SOOOO satisfying. You get all the fun and it ends quickly and the object of your knitting will not object. I'm making the [garter yoke baby cardi](#) (free- rav link) which is a lovely easy knit, and has some nice finishing touches (unless you're running out of yarn like I did). Plus, ton's of folks have made variations, so check out the projects on Ravelry.

Here's mine, for a little girl due in June:



The baby will be the first girl after two boys, so Mom requested that I make stuff in pink or purple, no blankets, she has plenty. I will buy another skein of pink for a hat, and knit or crochet a flower to go on it.

And I have a very cute button for it:

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**The Slow.** Adult sweaters are not quick. And especially when knit in fingerweight weight yarn. The [slow line cardigan](#) (Rav link) is a sloooooow knit in fingering weight. I was feeling ok until I got to the bottom and what seems like endless garter stitch. But this goes to prove a rule that some knits that are not so fun to knit will be great to wear. And I appear to only need about another 1 1/2 inches before I go back to the sleeves, which will feel like a snap in comparison. Izzie appears to be personally inspecting this cardigan at each stage:

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BTW, my friend Judy and I have converted someone -- to knitting, that is. We sent her a learn to knit kit of our own devising (thanks, Bluebird Yarn & Fiber) including Addi Turbos, Malabrigo yarn, and some cute notions. Yes, I know, it's like starting a new addict on pure cocaine intravenously. Fortunately her husband has no idea about what we have done. As we sadly do not live near Aimee to teach her *how* to knit, I sent along a Lucy Neatby DVD "The Brand New Knitter," which is meant for someone who never has held needles in their hands before. Besides learning from such a cool knitter, she got a shout-out from Lucy via twitter on her 1st day of knitting - how yarn-tastic is that?

Aimee is knitting a hat in the round at the moment and loves it - you can ask her how it's going on twitter: @aimeesblog.

Next step: Make sure she joins Ravelry to ~~join the other addicts~~ to meet and discover a fiber community.