



The Master Hand Knitting Program®

The Master Hand Knitting Program® is in its 38th year! Since its inception in 1987, knitters have been challenging themselves to become elite knitters. The program was designed as an educational process, not a competition or contest.

Upon completion, you will have a mastery of basic & advanced knitting techniques and knowledge of knitting-related topics such as the care of knitwear, history of knitting, and knitting traditions. You will have experience in design and writing your own patterns and instructions. But more importantly you will have confidence in your own abilities. Where this confidence takes you is up to you.



How The Master Hand Knitting Program® Works

Knitters work independently through three levels of the program, each building on techniques demonstrated in the previous level. Each knitter is assigned an Advisor to serve as their contact until the level is submitted.

Each level is completed and evaluated by the Master Hand Knitting Committee before the knitter is able to move forward to the next level. Are you ready to take your knitting to the next level?

For more information:
<https://tkga.org/certification/master-hand-knitting/>

Level 1

The first level establishes proficiency of fundamental knitting skills. Requirements to complete Level 1 include: A report on Blocking and Care of Hand Knits, 18 knitted swatches, 8 gauge calculations, 23 questions to answer, and 1 mitten.

Cost: \$150*



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Level 2

The second level establishes proficiency in finishing, writing directions, and the ability to work intermediate cables, lace, and color work. Requirements to complete Level 2 include: 3 book reviews, 2 reports: one on Fibers Used in Knitting and one on Evaluating Patterns for Accuracy and Purpose, 19 knitted swatches, 19 questions to answer plus 16 to research on the History of Knitting, 1 Fair Isle wristlet, 1 Argyle sock and 1 vest.

Cost: \$190*



Level 3

The final level establishes proficiency in advanced techniques, advanced stitch work, design and pattern writing. Requirements to complete Level 3 include: 3 book reviews, 2 reports on 2 knitting traditions, 17 knitted swatches, 16 questions to research and answer, a self-designed sweater and hat, one Aran and the other Fair Isle or Scandinavian.

Cost \$250*



*Members outside the United States also pay an additional charge of \$100 to cover higher shipping costs.

The Knitting Guild Association is a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to providing education and resources to advance their mastery of the craft of knitting.

We support serious knitters in their efforts to perpetuate traditional techniques and keep the artisan aspects and high quality standards of the craft alive.

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