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Review

“Un. Real. There is no other way to describe...well, that’s a lie because I’ll come up with more. But my first impression of *The Knitter's Book of Yarn*? Un. Real. I open the hardcover to reveal a fiber family tree. Smitten. Smitten on the spot. This book is, without a doubt, everything you ever wanted to know not just about fiber but were afraid to ask....This is absolutely a MUST HAVE book, and I don't say that often.”

—MelissaKnits, blog

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