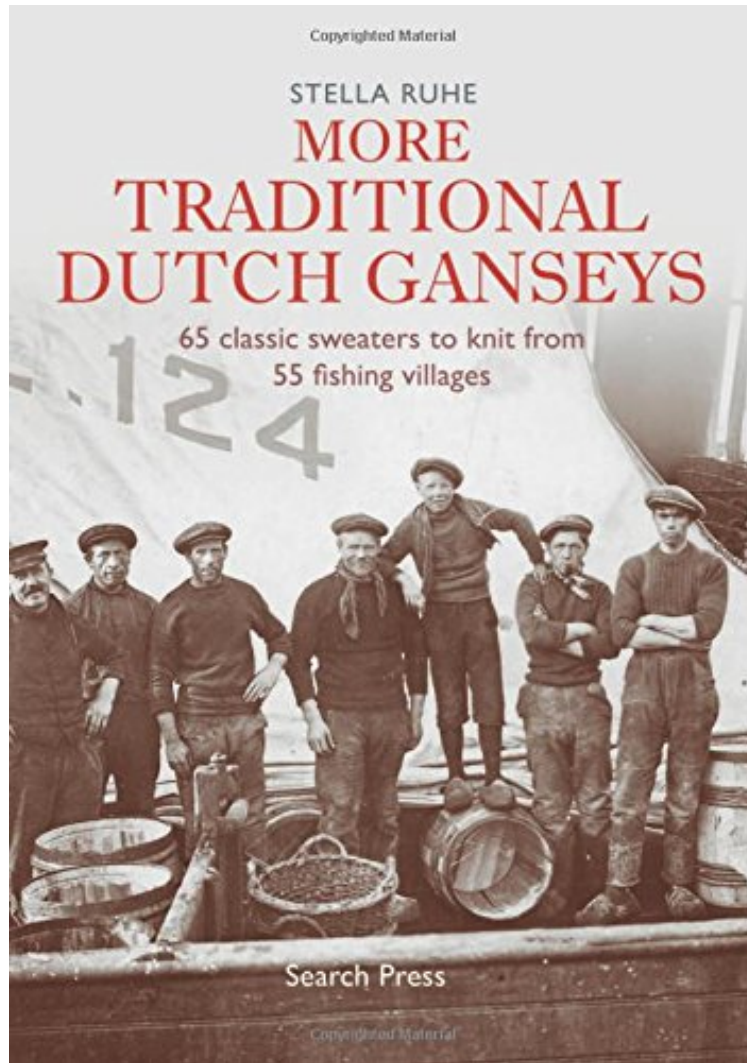


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who wore them, and their daily lives as fishermen. Publication of the bestselling book *Dutch Traditional Ganseys* in 2013 renewed interest in the sweaters, and dozens more old photos were discovered that inspired the creation of a second book that includes 65 brand new gansey patterns. Based on original designs and incorporating elements from them, author Stella Ruhe's contemporary recreations of these historically important garments keep the Dutch fishing heritage alive. Each design is accompanied by knitting diagrams, sketches, photographs and guidance on sizing, and all can be knitted for adults as well as children. With a wealth of fascinating background information and historical photos of the original designs, this is a unique and inspiring book for knitters, and a brilliant read for anyone interested in craft, culture and heritage.

A second book with more old photos and 65 classic gansey sweater designs from 55 fishing villages where Dutch fishermen originally wore these sweaters with their typical patterning. These contemporary recreations keep the historically important patterns alive. Each pattern includes diagrams, sketches and photographs plus guidance on sizing. This book is not only suitable for knitters but also includes information on the nautical culture and heritage of the Netherlands, totalling over 40 pages. There is also interesting information on wool, needles and tools, motif and pattern - there's enough to start you off designing your own sweaters if you wish. We then travel around the coast of Holland, from fishing village to fishing village and from each we have the gansey patterns. You see an old photo of the typical gansey and Ruhe's interpretation, plus a clear line drawing and a knitting chart. The measurements are very good - with 9 body measurements given. The designs use circular needles as in the traditional method for gansey knitting. The patterns follow a general design, the instructions being given at the beginning of the pattern section. Although traditionally worn by fishermen, these sweaters are unisex, and you will find some designed for women in the book. This is a book I am sure all knitters will enjoy if they have the slightest interest in ganseys and I know I will treasure it, so I have kept this as a 5 star review because of its importance for the history of knitwear and the wonderful designs. Recommended. It's time there was a real gansey revival. This book was first published in Dutch in 2015. * yarnsandfabrics.co.uk * This book is a truly fascinating read and a unique celebration of the craft of knitting. Every design has its own story and when you knit a pattern from this book, you'll find that history is woven in to every stitch. * Kate Heppell, editor *Knit Now* * From the Back Cover Between approximately 1875 and 1950, Dutch fishermen wore sweaters with characteristic knit and purl stitch patterns, sometimes cable. These jerseys, known as ganseys, became an intrinsic part of the identity of the Dutchmen who wore them, and their daily lives as fishermen. Publication of the bestselling book *Dutch Traditional Ganseys* in 2013 renewed interest in the sweaters and dozens more old photos were discovered, inspiring the creation of this second book which includes 65 brand new gansey patterns. Based on original designs from the villages, and incorporating myriad elements from them, author Stella Ruhe's contemporary recreations of these historically important garments keep the Dutch fishing heritage alive. Each design is accompanied by knitting diagrams, sketches, photographs and guidance on sizing, and all can be knitted for adults as well as children. With a wealth of fascinating background information and dozens of historical photos of the original designs, this is a unique and inspiring book for knitters, and a brilliant read for anyone interested in the nautical craft, culture and heritage of the Netherlands. About the Author Stella Ruhe taught visual arts in the AVO, is a publisher/editor at the publishing house Cantecler (known for the series *Textielvaardig* and countless books specialising in textiles) and is faculty supervisor and co-developer of learning content and teaching methodology in the department of visual arts at a number of national educational centres. Stella Ruhe has hosted major events such as the Cantecler Fashion Prize and the Week of Creativity, and is author of the book *Dutch Traditional Ganseys*.