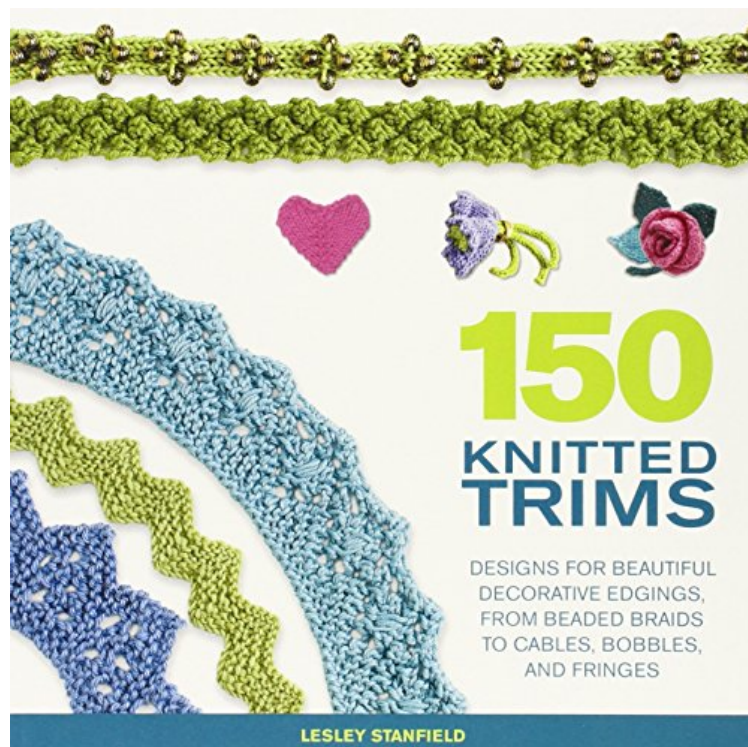


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Top Shelf!By Alpaca PicnicThis is just the book I have longed hoped for. I have several books on knitted edgings. This is the best. Almost every selection is one I might choose. The beaded edgings surprised me. They don't just have beads added; the beads are integral to the design. This is the book I will reach for first. My other books only have a few pages tagged. I won't be tagging this book with Post-its. Almost every page would be marked. Her other books, on Flowers and on Birds Butterflies, are fabulous as well.I overlooked this book for some time, in favor of offerings by 'bigger names.' You can't judge a book by its cover! The lavish photographic landscapes of one author's books add little information or inspiration, especially after pages and pages of ribbing panels. This lovely book is beautifully instructive, with clear photographs and thoughtful design. A few trim samples are knitted in fuzzy homespun-type yarn, which makes it a little harder to see the stitches, but plainly illustrates heirloom edgings in heirloom yarn, and how beautifully they work together.This lovely book will be referenced often, filed near Barbara Walker's treasures, and Harmony's stitch guides, and next to Stanfield's lovely books on flowers and butterflies (which are brimming with fun).4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Far

out no charts...By OneMtnGirlI am crawling out on a limb and rating this with a five because of all the excellent reviews. I don't own this book but after reading the 3 star review about the book not being any fun for them because of the lack of charts I said to myself, "Yippy, hooray!:" and had to admit that for me that in itself would make me want to give it five stars.I am so sorry if I have offended anyone who likes charts only. My problems are that it takes me forever to read charts and I end up translating the charts into instructions of row by row knitting. This is time consuming for me because I go back over them a second time to make sure I haven't made any mistakes (and I have made a few in my short time of knitting). I am going to order this book this morning and hope that it works out.I am branching out to creating my own patterns and wanted to get some ideas for edging at necklines, sleeves and bottoms of sweaters. Good luck to all of you who have chosen to take the jump and buy this book. Happy knitting for yourself and your loved ones -- Which we all know is for ourselves too because there are two great feelings after the knitting is done: 1. Knitting for loved ones - You knit a piece for someone you love and they think it is beautiful and want to put it on to wear even though it may not be in season. 2. Knitting for ourselves - You wear your knitted piece and someone says how much they like it.Ahh, life can be so sweet.UPDATE: September 20, 2011I bought and received the book. It is a beautiful book with fantastic photographs for working the patterns by. There aren't exactly 150. There are 129 knitted trims and the rest of the 21 trims (which I don't consider to be trims) are leaves, flowers, hearts, balls, butterflys and a small Christmas stocking. But the 129 edgings are fantastic and the directions (yes there are no charts) are easy to follow. I recommend this book to have in your library. For me it will be a welcome addition so that I can spiff up the sometimes boring edge of a knitted project.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Fast and fun trimsBy Knitting grandmaThis is a beautifully illustrated book with great explanations for any level of knitter. The trims are pretty, knit quickly and can be used on most anything, a t-shirt, little girl's skirt, pillow case, use your imagination. I saw the book at a friend's house, asked for one for my birthday and am now giving one to a very caring nurse who took care of my husband and was interested in it.

150 Knitted Trims offers a beautiful and diverse collection of contemporary and classic trims, illustrated with over 200 color photographs. Each trim is displayed in a swatch with complete row-by-row instructions, plus information on the dimensions of the finished trim and the amount of yarn required per length. Select from colorful zigzags and chevron patterns; twisted cords and bobble fringes; woven ribbon-effect braids; textured leaves, flowers, fruit and more. And there are project ideas galore for using the trims on items such as baby blankets, bags, and throws, plus inspirational suggestions for color and embellishments.Suitable for both beginners and avid knitting enthusiasts, 150 Knitted Trims is organized in two main sections for ease of use: first, a directory of the trims shown actual size (so they can be "tested" on your designs). And second, easy-to-follow complete pattern instructions for each trim. Each design is graded according to skill level. An additional section includes a refresher course of stitches and techniques used for guaranteed success. A companion book to 150 Crochet Trims, and another book that all knitters and crocheters will want to add to their library!

About the AuthorLesley Stanfield is the author of several books on knitting and crochet, including our bestselling 100 Flowers to Knit Crochet, 75 Birds, Butterflies Little Beasts to Knit Crochet, and 150 Knitted Trims. She is a long-time hand knitting designer and has been the knitting editor of several women's magazines including Woman and Family Circle. She is based in England.