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you have an idea in mind of what you want to knit, but you can't find a shawl pattern that matches that idea. This book is the first volume of a three volume series that will help you design that fantasy shawl, yourself. Shawl designing is all about geometry. If you want to make a triangular shawl, or knit a square shawl from the center out (or from the outer edge in) you need to know how to knit to create specific angles, (such as 30, 45, and 90 degrees). As examples, the author has included several detailed shawl patterns. 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars Except...By Marionthe charts for the beautiful shawls in this book are so tiny that it's going to take me a while to figure how to get them large enough to read. Otherwise this book is perfect. First comes the mathematical theory behind creating them. (Don't worry, the math is easy.) Then come the templates and recipes needed to create each shape discussed. And lastly, complete instructions for 10 shawls. I love books with theory so I can make my own. But again, the charts are tiny. If you don't mind thinking a little, this book is for you. 12 of 14 people found the following review helpful. Comprehensive shawl anatomyBy CascadianThis book is being published in three parts: Part 1: basic shapes (available now), Part 2: Advanced Shapes, and Part 3: Fancy Shapes. My review is based on a first quick reading (though I've followed the blog posts which cover most of the same info). Part 1 is filled with information about yarns, gauge, calculation how-to's as a basic design step, and description of many variations of the three following basic shapes: squares, rectangles and triangles. The book includes some very nice patterns too! In my opinion, I don't think this would be suitable for beginner knitters (and I don't believe it is marketed as such), but I think beginning designers would benefit. I also think the book could benefit from professional layout and design, but what is really important is the information covered. Of course, that would increase the cost. Overall, this will help an intermediate designer understand the structure of these shawl shapes, and I'm very happy with it. Looking forward to the next parts!

Are You Ready to Learn How To Design Your Own Shawls? Welcome to Shawl Design in Plain English, the Ultimate Crash Course on Shawl Design! Are you ready to discover how to create your own shawl knitting patterns? Are you ready to learn how to turn your ideas for shawls into knitting patterns that sell? If your answer is a resounding 'Yes!', then this crash course on shawl design is definitely for you. Maybe you are an amateur just getting started, or perhaps you already know a few things about this amazing craft and you'd like to reach the next level. Don't worry, this course will approach shawl design from both starting points. The idea is to get all the necessary skills to learn how to design shawls in almost no time. You will learn from the ABCS of shawl knitting (the necessary supplies that you need, all the stitches, all about yarn weights, and much more) to advance techniques that can help you to make your own shawl knitting patterns. Want to hear the best part? Every shawl shape covered in this book comes with a pattern template (a recipe!) you can use as a starting point for your own designs. You will be able to design shawls we can be proud of! The idea is very simple. You will learn shawl design from zero to hero. We will go from the root to the top of this amazing craft. And in the end you will have a special bonus! So let's go for it! Here Is A Preview Of What You'll Learn Inside... Welcome To Your Own Shawl Designs Yarn Needle Selection Basic Stitches in Lace Knitting Knitting Chart Symbols Elements in Shawl Construction Calculations Square Shawls Center Out Square Shawls Hem to Hem Square Shawls Worked Diagonally Triangle Shawls Top Down Triangle Shawls Bottom Up Winged Triangle Shawls Stoles Hem To Hem Stoles Center Outwards Pattern Templates Much, much more!

About the AuthorDr. Julia Riede is a nuclear physicist in love with her knitting needles. She has been taught how to knit by her grandmother in her early childhood in Austria and never stopped since. After many years of following knitting patterns of others, she finally decided to start creating her own back in 2008 which led to the publication of over 40 knitting patterns, four books and countless blog posts on how to design shawls, create your own knitting patterns and how to improve your knitting skills. You can find her on Twitter as @jriedeknits and her website at www.jriede.com.