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***The Intentional Spinner:  
A Holistic Approach to Making Yarn***  
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Begin to explore the infinite possibilities of making yarn! Learn the beyond-the-basic fundamentals of spinning from veteran spinner and teacher Judith McKenzie McCuin, one of the most knowledgeable, renowned, and innovative spinners today. Judith offers insight, understanding, and information about the appealing craft of spinning in *The Intentional Spinner* (Interweave, November 2008, \$26.95), a classroom in book form.

Judith's educated, gently opinionated, and fun to read blend of technical knowledge, history, tips, and narrative takes the form of a compendium of spinning wisdom. Yarn making is approached in three fundamental areas: understanding fibers, managing yarn structure, and making yarns that precisely meet the spinner's needs.

**The Fibers Section:** blends the rich historic traditions of plant and animal fibers with the fascinating scientific advances in synthesizing fiber

**The Yarn Structure:** use step-by-step instructions and photographs to demonstrate the range of possibilities in yarn, from sturdy piled yarns to playful novelty yarns.

**Practical Uses:** decision making and planning to create the specific, desired projects

*The Intentional Spinner* also includes four projects that demonstrate how handspun can be used in weaving and knitting. Projects explain how to choose material, follow spinning techniques, and finish the process.

Blending technical expertise and fascinating lore, *The Intentional Spinner* is a must-read for intermediate to advanced spinners.

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**About the author: Judith McKenzie McCuin** has been a textile artist for more than twenty years. She has taught throughout the United States and Canada, and her work appears in both public and private collections. She has been a contributor to *Spin-Off*, *Interweave Knits*, *PieceWork*, and *Handwoven* magazines, and she has led textile tours to Turkey and Spain. She lives in Montana with her husband Nick, where they run a small yarn and dye company and raise bison.

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