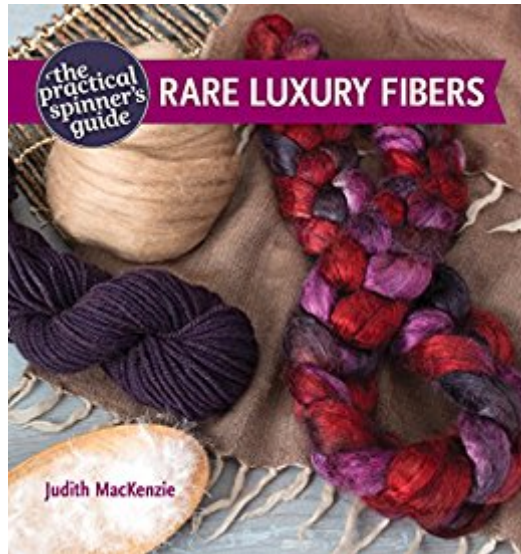




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It's time to look beyond wool, with *The Practical Spinner's Guide: Rare Luxury Fibers!* The go-to expert for fiber artists, Judith MacKenzie shares insights into working with uncommon (but readily available) luxury downs in this comprehensive, yet practical, guide for today's spinners. With her natural voice for story telling that is both engaging and informative, she discusses the history of each of these downs, how they are used today, characteristics unique to each, and where to find them. She also dives deep into the specific spinning techniques for each fiber, knitting and weaving rare fibers, and dyeing them once spun. From angora to bison, camel to cashmere, there's a whole world of rare luxury fibers just waiting to be spun!

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Incredibly in-depth analysis of various luxury spinning fibres--both natural and synthetic--that allows a potential spinner to be aware of certain fibre tendencies, practical blends, and how to make the most of typically higher-expense product to maximise both your value and the characteristics of the

fibre. This source is brilliant for those who want to have a comprehensive understanding of how to identify, obtain, care for, modify, process for spinning, knit, and store their most precious and hard-to-find fibres. I highly recommend this book and all of the others in The Practical Spinner's Guide series.

Lots of excellent information born from long experience. I particularly like the section on blending, since realistically that's how I would use most of the expensive down fibers, and the suggestions for de-hairing raw fiber. I'm eager to try her procedure for 'encasement' yarn.

Good book if using luxury fibers. When spinning the fiber into yarn, the fiber always requires proper handling to produce lovely yarn. This author is very capable and writes clearly, alerting you to the constraints of the specific fiber. I think the product is worth the price.

Really nice book. Easy to read. Lots of information. Good pictures of fiber and ani.

The real value of this book is the first third, which talks about fiber science and why different fibers work the way they do. It's a great reference to have in your library if you're a spinner or even just a knitter or crocheter who wants to know more about why fibers act the way they do.

A wonderful book: buy it! There's lots of information for spinners, but a whole lot that's useful for non-spinners of the fiber persuasion as well.

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Anything by Judith Mackenzie is excellent.

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