

Submission Themes: Knit Picks is looking for designs for a 12-16 pattern collection to be released in early fall 2018, featuring men/unisex projects. Knit Picks has chosen yarns & color palette for this collection, please see our mood board for list of yarns, inspirational images, description of projects we are looking for, as well as colors we intend to use. For this particular collection, we are looking for knit patterns for men and/or are unisex.

Brief Description: Fellas, we know it's been a while. Hopefully this collection will make up for lost time (and too-rare collections) with its breadth and timelessness. These are classic, beautiful wardrobe staples for men in lovely wools and luxury yarns. We want these knits to be utterly wearable, so we're sticking to simple shapes, fitted silhouettes and flattering textures.

Deadline: November 13, 2017

Compensation/Support: \$400-\$800USD (depending on design) exclusive fee for 24 months. While Knit Picks will knit samples, KP will provide yarn support for designer to knit their own version of the pattern. Knit Picks will also photograph all samples & designer will also be able to use photographs for their own promotions. Knit Picks will provide tech edits and the final pattern layout. Patterns will be printed in physical book collections. After two years of the collection being for sale on knitpicks.com, designers may sell the completed pattern in the IDP program, on Ravelry or anywhere else.

Submission Requirements: 1 page submission, complete with detailed pattern information, yarn suggested, sketch/swatch of design, sizes included, and designer bio/ contact information. Patterns should not be previously published anywhere. While swatches do not need to be in suggested yarn, we do suggest the colors be similar to your intended finish project so we can get a better feel for your pattern. Please do not submit completed patterns.

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Appropriate items for this collection include: Pullovers, cardigans, vests, hats, scarves, mitts, ties.

Our mood board is a bit larger this time around, please keep these colors and project info in mind when putting together your submission. **Please include all relevant information on 1 page.** Due to high volume, submissions not in this form may not be accepted. For an example, please click [here](#). Please make sure your images are clear! There have been many submissions with blurry images or drawings and we are unable to see your design idea.

Send to: Upload your submission to the [Collection Submissions](#) webpage. If you have more than one proposal, each submission will need to be uploaded separately. If there are issues with uploading your file, please make sure your pdf is under 5mb. You may also email your pdf to submissions@knitpicks.com but please use the upload area first.

Other Info: Patterns will have 24 month exclusivity on knitpicks.com, after that, designers may sell the pattern where ever they wish. Similar to our IDP program, payments will be made electronically. For yarn support, designers must have a US, Canada, UK or Australia address. Submissions will be accepted through November 13, 2017; designers will be notified of final decision by November 17, 2017. Finished patterns will be due by January 8, 2018. Other relevant information may be found at the [IDP FAQs](#). Any other questions may be directed to submissions@knitpicks.com.

2018 Sophisticated Fella

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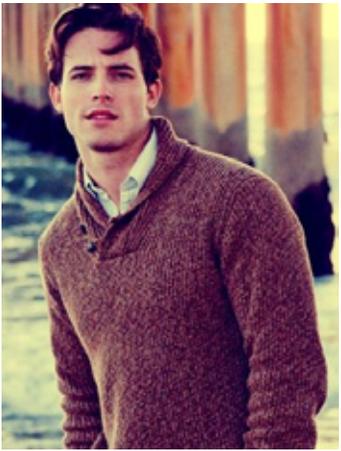
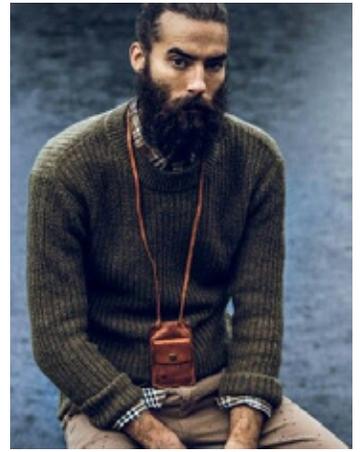
Scarves and cowls should be ample with all over texture. This is the perfect chance to use those luxury yarns like Andean Treasure or Paragon. Fringe is optional.



There's nothing better than a handsome vest. Texture and fit are key. This is also a great opportunity to play with easy fair isle or minimal cabling.



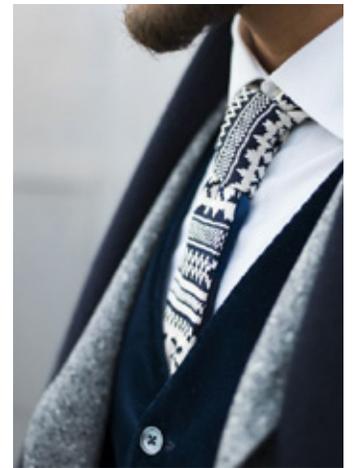
Sweaters and vests can feature texture (think fishermen's rib, linen stitch, very minimal cabling) or stockinette, minimal use of multiple colors (think stripes, minimal colorblocking, very simple fair isle) and a variety collars and finishing details. We're interested in shawl collars, henleys,



Mittens should be the most functional part of every wardrobe. Simple ribbing for the best fit with longer cuffs to prevent wrist chill. This is a great chance to use Palette, Stroll Tweed or Hawthorne Tonal for heavy use or Paragon for a luxe twist.



Ties are so much fun but are a technical challenge. We want to make sure they won't stretch with wear and feature interesting texture or quiet patterning. This might be a great spot to feature Hawthorne Tonal, Palette, Stroll Tweed or Alpaca Cloud Fingering.



We could write essays on the beauty of well knit hats. Sticking to the basics we want something that will fit a range of head sizes, all over texture (think ribbing or something equally subtle and useful) that can be cuffed for extra coziness. Feeling brave? Tackle a knit flat cap!

