Knitters of the world unite. Fall is almost here. For all practical purposes it is here; note the Halloween decorations that have been in the stores since the end of July. Fall means many things to many people, but to me it means a return to normalcy.

Having never been a summer person, I find that my psyche has difficulty when the temperature soars above the 75 degree mark. So, the moment the month changes from August to September I note that my disposition changes radically. Admittedly it doesn’t really have anything to do with the actual temperature, but everything to do with the tastes and smells of fall.

Knitting is always a temptation, but the lure of yummy mohair, soft wool, and glorious cashmere is never better than when football season begins, back to school ads are prevalent, and the leaves start their wondrous transformation. It is this time of year that I feel most connected, energized and ready to take on challenges that during the summer would reduce me to quiet hysteria.

Without fall there might not even be knitting. It is our season and we as knitters can cherish it with great joy. It even spills over to those of us who love autumn tones, sharpened pencils, a reason to sit quietly and knit, and to watch football.

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Embrace Me
September 2008

Embrace fall with our artsy pullover knit in Stacy Charles' Trapper, a magnificent blend of Cashmere and Merino Wool. The tweed is lush and soft and each color unfolds onto the other in a soft hue. The design is crisp and easy to wear. Buttons complete the picture, be sure to ask us to help you choose the most perfect ones. This is a "not to miss" selection as yarns will be limited and sold as supply remains.

Club: $191.25
Non Club: $255.00
In preparation for those cool fall nights and with L’Atelier’s eyes on a knit that will keep you inspired, our jacket this month demands attention. Knit with Zara Plus a beautiful 100% Merino Wool, from Filatura di Crosa, this piece will grace your wardrobe for years to come. The stitches are easy yet carefully designed to maximize this wonderful color story. The traditional shawl collar adds classic simplicity to L’Atelier style.

Club: $204.75  
Non Club: $273.00
Fall 2008 is the season of the knit and the season of the jacket. Join the two together and you have our wonderful swing-a-long. We’ve chosen to knit this wonderful piece in Trendsetter’s new yarn **Canyon** on size 10 ½ needles for a quick yet in-the-now style. This yummy wool spun with a hint of acrylic to keep the ribbon like feel of the yarn in place, is one you will want to knit again and again. We’ve added a little back overlay, a superb collar, and of course we will help you choose some great buttons. We love it and we know you will too.

**Club: $141.75**  
Non Club: $189.00
Swing-A-Long

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Body: (Worked in one piece to armholes) With #10½ needles or size to give gauge cast on 142(156,172)186 sts and work 2 rows of garter. Then continue in st st beginning with a purl row and placing markers as follows: P30(33, 36)39, pm P82(90, 100)108, pm, P30(33,36)39 work until pc measures 15(15½,16)16½”.

AT THE SAME TIME, dec 1 st before the first marker and after the last marker every 21(22,22)23rd row 3 times then change to #10 needles and dec 28(30,34)36 sts evenly over the center 82(90,100)108 sts between the center 2 markers. Continue in st st until pc measures 16(16½,17)17½” then divide for armholes: Place the center back 54(60,66)72 sts on a holder Then working the front sections, then bind off 3 sts at the beg of the next 2 armhole edge rows then dec 1 st at armhole edge every other row 3 times. When armholes measure 6(6½, 7)7½” shape neck: Bind off 4(4, 5)5 sts at front neck edge once, 2 sts 1(2, 2)2 times and 1 st every other row 3(2,2)2 times. When armholes measure 8(8½, 9)9½”, bind off.

Pick up the center back sts and shape armholes: Bind off 3 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows, then dec 1 st each side every other row 3 times. When armholes measure 2”, bind off.

Back: Top Section: With #10 needles cast on 46(50,54)58 sts and work in K2, P2 ribbing until pc measures 6½(7,7½)8”, bind off in rib.

Sleeves: With #10½ needles or size to give gauge, cast on 24(26,26)28 sts and work 2 rows of garter. Then continue in st st beginning on a purl row and work increasing 1 st each side every 8(8, 89)9th then alternating 9(9, 9)9th row a total of 8 times. When sleeves measure 17½(18, 18)18½” or desired length to underarm, shape cap: bind off 3 sts at the beg of the next 2 rows, then dec 1 st each side every other row until the cap measures 4(4½, 5)5½”, bind off 2 sts at the beg of the next 4 rows, bind off.

Finishing: Lightly steam all pieces. Sew Back top section to back bottom section sewing so that the seam is on the right side. Sew shoulder seams. Sew sleeve seams. Set sleeves into armholes. Mark button placement on Left front Work 1 row of slip st crochet along front edges of jacket. Then with #10 needles pick up sts into each slip st and knit one row spacing buttonholes opposite placement along right front. Work 1 more row of knit, Bind off in knit. With #9 needles pick up sts along neck edge (Note, pick up fewer along back neck to keep from drooping) Work in K2, P2 ribbing for 2”. Change to #10 needles and work for 3 to 4” more as desired. If you want a fuller collar, change to #10½ needles for the last 1½”. Bind off in rib. Sew on buttons.

Materials:
18 skeins: Canyon by Trendsetter
Needles: #9, #10 and #10½ US
Crochet Hook: Size G or H
Buttons: 3

Sizes Bust Length Sleeve Length
SM 36” 24” 17½”
MED 40” 25” 18”
LG 44” 26” 18”
EX LG* 48” 27” 18½**

GAUGE: 3/4 in st st with #10½ needles, or size to give gauge. NOTE: *Be sure your gauge is correct before starting garment. If different, go up or down needle sizes to obtain correct gauge.