

Kaori

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by Kaori Okumura
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Nelson





Manero





Greta





Marple







What makes Kaori by Kaori Okumura unique is the way in which all of the garments are constructed. She has been developing the technique of finger-knitting/finger-crocheting since 2002.

By definition, Kaori only uses her fingers to create the knitwear. She does not use knitting needles or hooks. The only exception being when the buttons and labels are sewn on.

But there is one more important point which makes her creations different. The majority of knitwear is made by making the individual parts first. They are then assembled using the normal clothes making process. Sweaters, for example, are created as a flat 'T' shape. The wearer's body is expected to create the shape for the sweater.

Kaori's designs, however, are knitted around a mannequin in order to mould to the three dimensional shape of the human body. This is especially important for the female body, which has many curves. This makes all of her garments both comfortable and flattering. This would not be possible if working with flat patterns.

Every single one of her creations is made by her own hands from the start of the knitting process to the end. This attention to detail is of course, sadly, very rare these days since most clothing on the market is now mass produced in factories.

She hopes her knitwear can give back the joy of owning something personal and unique to anyone who wears it.

Matador





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