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Fashion comes and goes.

I started knitting blankets as a way of getting ready for the arrival of my children.

In each case I knew the sex of the baby in advance and could plan the colourways around that. But it didn't really matter.

Sitting there, knitting away, I was able to tentatively imagine myself as a mother with a baby.

It was a kind of preparation where my hopes and love were expressed through the colours I chose and the way I put them together.

Some feelings are better expressed through colour and shapes than put into words.

For each child the blanket was there, waiting for them in the delivery room -even if it was high summer.

oldest child's is nearly thread bare, having served him well. I have put it away, but when he comes across is, he grabs it, burries his face in it and breaths in so deeply...Good for him, I must have done something right?!