

Fiber Festival Classes



WHAT YARN SHOULD I CHOOSE?

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Have you ever shopped for yarn not knowing what you're getting?

Do you have lots of stash and don't know what it's good for?

Get an insight what yarns are suited for which projects.

This class will help you to make the most of your creative work when choosing the right yarn.

Learn about different fibers, color choice, fabric characteristics and more...

What to bring:

- Bring in yarns from your stash to see what it might want to be 'when it grows up.'

Price \$30

Time 90 minutes

Sunday 11 am -12:30pm

Maximum Class Size: Unlimited

Join-As-You-Go in Knitting



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Most knitters avoid seaming like the plague. Learn how to join-as-you-go in different directions and discover the world of endless seamless possibilities. Suitable for advanced beginner.

What to bring:

- Different colors of worsted weight yarn (You will be able to use odd balls or leftovers but a minimum of 6 g per ball)
- Set of double pointed needles and 1 circular needle in the size you use for knitting worsted weight. (US 6 – 8)
- One set of double pointed needles one size smaller than you would use for worsted weight yarn.

Price: \$35

Time: 90minutes

Day: Saturday 10 am – 11:30 am

Saturday 3-4:30 pm

Maximum Class Size: 10-12 people

BEGINNING SPINNING



Barbara Tonnissen and Gillian Fuqua
The Wool Shed
Worcester, VT

This 3 – hour class is designed for a very beginning spinner or someone who has never spun before. Students will learn the basics of spinning and plying wool on a wheel, care of the spinning wheel and will leave with a small skein of a 2-ply yarn. We will discuss spinning yarn for specific projects, different fibers that can be spun, blending of fibers and the different breeds of sheep and the wool they produce.

What to bring

Spinning wheel

Roving to spin

Price: \$ 40

Saturday: 10 am-1pm

Sunday: 10 am -1 pm

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Class Size: 10-12 people

STEEKING



Deborah Hodges
Country Woolens
Lebanon NH

Advanced Intermediate

Fair Isle or Scandinavian sweaters are knit in the round, creating a tube which is then cut or steeked: up the front (to create a cardigan) and at the sides to insert sleeves. Many knitters find it a very intimidating maneuver, but this workshop will introduce you to stress-free steeking-and a whole new outlook on your knitting.

Materials:

- One 6x6 stockinette swatch in worsted weight, light-colored yarn
- Contrasting color worsted weight scrap yarn (6 Yards)
- Scissors
- Tapestry Needles

Price \$45

Time: 3 Hours

Day: Saturday 11am - 2pm

Maximum Class Size: 8-10 people

Finishing your projects



Karen Caple
White River Yarns

Every knitted piece is enhanced with expert finishing. This class will elevate your skills and grow your confidence while learning the basics of seaming, grafting and blocking. Techniques covered include invisible shoulder seams, vertical seams, Kitchener stitch, picking up stitches and more. Suitable for the advanced beginner.

Maximum Class Size : 8-10 people

Materials Required

- Homework swatches and several yards of additional yarn that was used in swatches (see below)
- Blunt tip tapestry needle
- Double point needles in same size as used in homework swatches

Homework

- Swatch #1 - Using a light colored, smooth yarn that yields 4-5 stitches per inch, cast on 20 stitches.

Work in stockinette for 4". Bind off leaving 18" tail attached.

- Swatch #2 - Same as #1.
- Swatch #3 - Using a light colored, smooth yarn that yields 4-5 stitches per inch, cast on 20 stitches.

Work in stockinette for 3". DO NOT bind off leaving stitches on the needle or a stitch holder with 1 yard of yarn attached.

- Swatch #4 - Same as #3.
- Swatch #5 - Same as #3.
- Swatch #6 - Same as #1.

Price \$40

Time: 2 Hours Day: Saturday 10 am - Noon

Maximum Class Size : 8-10 people

Beyond the Basics



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Now that you knit and purl what is next. Not another scarf, right? Would you like to learn a few new cast-ons and bind-offs? Learn more than one way to increase stitches? Following pattern repeats. Add new tips and tricks to your repertoire to take you to the next level. What would you love to make next? Bring the pattern to the class and let's discuss how to get started.

What to bring:

- Dark and light worsted weight yarn
- Size 8 needles
- Darning needle
- Crochet hook F or G
- 4 6x6 inch swatches in stockinette stitch

Price: \$40

Time: 2-3 Hours

Day: Saturday 1-4 pm

Maximum Class Size : 8-10 people

Solving Knitting Problems



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Do you find yourself getting stuck? Not sure what went wrong? This is the class for you. We will address how to read your work, finding your place after a long time away, picking up a dropped stitch, placing a life line in a project, how to read a chart and much more. Bring in your projects that you are stuck on and we will try to address your problem and solve it. Suitable for all levels.

What to bring:

- **YOUR KNITTING PROBLEM PIECE**
- Dark and Light Worsted Yarn
- Darning needle
- Crochet Hook
- 4 6x6 stockinette swatches

Price \$45

Time: 2-3 Hours

Day: Sunday 11 am- 2 pm

Maximum Class Size: 8-10