

Needles 'n Pins Yarn Shoppe

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Greetings--Welcome Back!!! It seems like life is beginning to get back to a little more like "normal". Bailey and I have been busy working on new class ideas as well as displays out of the many new yarns that will be starting to make their way to the shelves in the upcoming months. It seems like the yarn companies have been quite busy over this past year as there are so many new, gorgeous yarns being introduced. It has been a real challenge deciding which ones to bring in to offer our customers. If we only had the room.....we'd get them all!!!!

We are going to try something a little different with our "complete" re-opening. While we will still have Open Knitting/Crocheting on Wednesday afternoons, we are also going to offer time on select Saturdays. Check for more information further on in this newsletter. We will also review these in the fall to see if any further changes need to be made.

We have also been busy putting together kits from some of our favorite patterns. We had so much fun "playing" in the yarn! Some people have difficulty choosing color combinations so we have done it for them!! Not only are these available in the Shoppe, but they have also been added to the website. Be sure to check them out....many are one-of-a-kind!

In the not too distant future, you will notice that we have an entirely new Check Out system for the Shoppe. This will help immensely with keeping inventory between the store and the website accurate. We have been extremely fortunate that one of my sons, Michael, has been able to handle this updating for us.....without out him, well, it just wouldn't have happened. I'm sure we will have a few glitches with the changeover, and appreciate your patience as we make this happen ☺ It has been quite the job, but one that is much needed and hopefully well worth the effort of all involved.

Mask or No Mask: It seems like every place of business has a different recommendation/rule regarding masks...who should be wearing one, who doesn't have to, and so forth. As a business owner, I just want everyone to feel safe during their time at Needles 'n Pins. I do not want to have to "police" everyone coming in regarding their position on the entire Covid-19 mask recommendations. Therefore, I have decided that I am going to leave it on the Honor System. If you have been vaccinated, then I feel there is no need for you to wear a mask while shopping here. If you have not been vaccinated, and choose not to wear a mask, that is your choice.

NEW SHOPPE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Closed on Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday

(If you have a group wanting to come visit, give us a call. We could possibly schedule a "private" shopping time on a closed day.)

UPCOMING CLASSES

We have opted for some shorter, "project" classes, for our upcoming class offerings. Each class will feature a project which hopefully will be able to be finished in the number of sessions offered.

Great gift idea classes to help you get a head start on your holiday gift giving ☺

Class samples are on display in the Shoppe!!!

Mosaic Knitting---Learn this technique (which looks much more difficult than it really is) while making the "Kentia" hat (designed by one of our favorite designers...Ambah O'Brien). **Class Prerequisite:** knowledge of knitting in the round, knit/purl, and decreasing. **Pre-class homework:** Provided upon registration. 2 sessions Saturday, June 19 & 26 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. **OR** Wednesday, July 14 & 21 9:30 a.m. - noon \$30—includes pattern.

Fair Isle Knitting---Great introductory class into fair isle knitting! Project will be a hat (you can choose the size...from newborn through large adult!) **Class Prerequisite:** knowledge of knitting in the round, knit/purl, and decreasing. **Pre-class homework:** Provided upon registration. 2 sessions Monday, July 12 & 19 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. \$30—includes pattern.

The Herringbone Stitch---Another great stitch/technique that has been requested to offer. It's another hat but a fantastic one to learn this technique with!! **Class Prerequisite:** knowledge of knitting in the round, knit/purl, and decreasing and the kitchener stitch. **Pre-class homework:** Provided upon registration. 2 sessions Saturday, July 24 & 31 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **OR** Wednesday, August 11 & 18 9:30 a.m. – noon \$30—includes pattern.

One-Color Brioche---This has been an extremely popular class!! We will be starting a scarf while learning the basics of brioche. **Class Prerequisite:** basic knitting knowledge. **Pre-class homework:** none. 1 session Friday, June 25 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. \$20—includes pattern.

Two-Color Brioche---Now that you've mastered 1 color, let's do brioche with two colors!!! Our project will be a scarf. **Class Prerequisite:** One-color brioche class. **Pre-class homework:** none. 1 session Friday, July 9 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. \$20—includes pattern.

Brioche--In the Round---And the fun continues! In this class we will make a reversible cowl!! **Class Prerequisite:** Two-color brioche class. **Pre-class homework:** none. 1 session Friday, July 23 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. \$20—includes pattern.

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You can register in person, by mail, e-mail or telephone. Please note that with the number of classes we offer, we generally are not able to re-schedule for missed classes (unless we have to cancel due to sickness or weather). Therefore, we request you check your own schedule carefully before committing to a particular class. We also cannot re-schedule or refund for "no shows". Supply lists will be provided at time of registration and we request that any necessary supplies are purchased from Needles 'n Pins.



OnLine *"Emotions"* from Knitting Fever and Euro Yarns.

A fingering/sock weight Wool/Nylon/Cashmere blend containing 220 yards and retails for \$13.00/skein.



Lana Gatto *"Positano"* from Knitting Fever and Euro Yarns is a fingering weight Cotton/Viscose blend containing 180 yards and retails for \$11/skein.



"Superfine 400 Braid" from Yarn and Soul. These BEAUTIFUL braids contain 1 skein each of 5 different colors of 100% Superfine Alpaca fingering weight yarn! Each skein is 200 yards, for a total of 1000 yards and retails for \$68.00. We have 7 different color combinations available!

"Superfine 400" from Yarn and Soul is a fingering weight 100% Superfine Alpaca that contains 400 yards and retails for \$24.00/skein.



New Colors are now available of the following yarns...

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| Schoppel Wolle "Edition 3" | Berroco "Sesame" | OntheRound "Plush DK" |
| Malabrigo "Rasta" | Stitch Together "Stitch Smooth Sock" | |
| Jody Long "My Little Sunshine" | Koigu 'Pencil Packs' | Queensland "Cairns" |

*** 2 new Malabrigo Pattern Books are now available***
#18 – "Rios & Washted" and #19 – "Rasta Studio Style"

We have been putting together some exciting Kits! All are available to view/purchase on our website, as well as in store!

- *"Lovella" Shawl Kit – includes 5 skeins of DK Weight Yarn (Pattern sold separately)
- *"Lovetta" Shawl Kit – includes 7 skeins of Fingering Weight Yarn (Pattern sold separately)
- *"Mad Hatter Chevron Cowl" Kit – includes 6 skeins of DK Weight Yarn & Pattern.



Cleaning Out---Once Again ☺

With all the new yarns that will be arriving in the upcoming months, we have been doing some "spring" cleaning so to speak. We've been sorting through yarns, sifting out any odd dye lots, discontinued colors as well as discontinued "lines" of yarn. You will find these back in our clearance corner and.....weather permitting.....outside in our Sidewalk Sale Area!!! Fantastic bargains are to be found and more items are being added weekly. So, you will want to check this out soon for the best selection....and then check back often ☺ You just never know what we may decide to include there.

Open Knitting/Crocheting

We are finally to the stage where we can once again have open knitting/crocheting on Wednesday afternoons!! It seems like forever since we've been able to offer this. Our first get together will be on Wednesday, June 16. It will run the same as previously....from 1:00 – 4:00p.m. each Wednesday. Bring whatever project you'd like to work on and join us. This is a great time for small problem solving and a fantastic source of inspiration!!! Plus, if the weather cooperates, we can gather outside (be sure to throw a lawn chair in your trunk☺) We even have "tent canopy" tops in case it's an extra-sunny day!!

We are also trying something a little different over the next couple of months. We are going to have an open knitting/crocheting on select Saturdays. Hopefully those of you who are not able to join us during the week will take advantage of this opportunity. The days will be: June 19, July 10 and August 14 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. each day. Depending on how well this goes over, it may become an ongoing opportunity.

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