

Needles 'n Pins Yarn Shoppe

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Greetings! It's impossible to believe that it was 25 years ago this month that I opened Needles 'n Pins Yarn Shoppe in the front half of our 1 1/2 car garage! When I look back at the pictures of what I had to offer, I am amazed that people came.....but come they did!! 25 years later and we are in our own, specially designed building, and the largest shop in the area devoted exclusively to the needs/wants of knitters and crocheters!! We stock well over 45,000 skeins of yarn from more than 30 vendors. We have direct suppliers from as close as Rockford and as far away as Finland. With shipments arriving almost daily.....there is always something new and exciting to see.

When I first thought of opening a yarn shop, I went to the Small Business office at UW-Whitewater. I remember the woman there telling me that it would NEVER work.....I should just do a mail-order catalog...that people would NEVER drive out into the country to buy yarn when they could just go to Wal-Mart and get it. Obviously, she was neither a knitter or crocheter and didn't know the differences in yarn quality ☺ I would love to catch up with her now!!

I've seen a lot of yarn shops come and go over the past 25 years. I've been told many, many times that I have a "dream" job. And, those people are right! I am definitely spoiled being able to do what I love every day. Plus, I believe I have the best customers in the entire world.....so, a special thanks to each and every one of you for making what I do for a living NOT a job!!!

Shoppe Hours

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

Sunday 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Closed on Tuesday and Thursday

We will be closed on Monday, May 28th in observance of Memorial Day and Wednesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day!!

Please have wonderful and safe Holidays!!

We will also be closed from Saturday, July 28th through Sunday, August 5th. Please mark your calendars so you won't be disappointed by making the trip and finding no one here ☹

Thanks for your understanding!!

Upcoming Classes

Beginning Knitting---If you have never picked up a pair of needles, or it's been years, this is the class for you. We start with the basics and go from there! Small class allows for individualized attention. 4 sessions---\$50, includes instruction booklet. Monday, June 18, 25, July 9 & 16 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Beginning Crocheting---We will start with the basics and proceed. Small class allows for individualized help. 4 sessions---\$50, includes instruction booklet. Friday, June 22, 29, July 13 & 20 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Basic Knit Socks--Learn the basics of sock construction!! One pair and you will be addicted. 3 sessions---\$40, includes pattern. Friday, June 1, 15 & 29 1:30 – 3:30p.m.

Pattern Reading---Know the basics of knitting but need help/practice in reading pattern directions? Blocks will be made from various patterns (written in various ways) and can be assembled into either a pillow or throw. 4 sessions---\$50, includes patterns. Saturday, July 14, 21, August 11 & 25 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Basic Chart Reading---Are you intimidated by charts? Don't be anymore ☺ 1 session---\$20, includes pattern. Sunday, June 10 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. OR Friday, July 20 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Basic One-Color Brioche--- Learn the basic brioche stitch. 1 session--\$15, includes instructions for scarf. Monday, June 4 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Two-Color Brioche--- Now that you know the basic brioche stitch, learn it with two colors!!! **Must know one-color brioche.** 1 session---\$15, includes instructions for two-color scarf. Monday, June 18 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Brioche in the Round--- Make a 2-color cowl while learning to do brioche in the round! **Must know 2 color brioche.** 2 sessions---\$20, includes pattern. Monday, July 9 & 16 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Advanced Brioche---Learn to increase/decrease in brioche!!! Are you ready? Must have experience with 2-color brioche. 3 sessions...\$35, includes pattern. Monday, August 6, 13 & 20 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

2-color 2-handed knitting---Once you learn to control a strand of yarn in EACH hand, fair isle knitting is a breeze! Get a head start on gift knitting (we'll be making a hat) while learning to make our "non-knitting" hand knit!! 2 sessions---\$25, includes pattern Friday, August 10 & 17 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Open Knitting/Crocheting--Join other fiberholics for the afternoon. Very informal!!! Problem solving, help and inspiration available. Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 p.m. \$1.00/hour. No registration required. Come when you can!!

Pre-registration is required for all classes except Open Knitting/Crocheting. Registration may be done by phone/e-mail/snail mail/person. Supply lists furnished upon payment of registration fees. Any needed yarn and/or needles may be purchased before or at first session. As our class schedule is quite full, it is not always possible to schedule make-up classes for missed sessions (unless we have to cancel due to weather and/or illness). Therefore, please check your schedule carefully before signing up for a class. Thank you!



OnLine "Cotton Smooth" is a worsted weight 100% Cotton containing 229 yards and retails for \$6.00/ball.

"Summer Ombre" from **Schachenmayr Yarns** is a fingering weight machine washable Cotton/Rayon/Acrylic blend containing 137 yards and retails for \$5.95/skein!



Regia Cotton "Tutti Frutti Color" from **Schachenmayr Yarns** is a fingering weight Cotton/Nylon/Polyester blend containing 459 yards and retails for \$17.50/ball.



Katia Yarns "Soleil" is a dk weight Cotton/Acrylic blend containing 820 yards and retails for \$25/ball. There is a Knit Shawl & Crochet Shawl Pattern available that takes just one ball of this yarn!



Mirasol Yarns "Khusku" is a fingering weight Wool/Bamboo Viscose/Nylon blend containing 439 yards and retails for \$22/hank. "Aperture" Shawl Pattern by Ambah O'Brien pictured uses just 1 hank for the smallest size.



Katia Yarns "Ombre Cotton" Kits includes 6 balls, each containing 107 yards of dk weight 100% Pure Cotton, along with a knit and crochet shawl pattern. Kits retail for \$30.



Regia "Pairfect 4-ply: Arne & Carlos Design Line" from **Schachenmayr Yarns** is a fingering weight Wool/Nylon blend containing 459 yards and retails for \$17.50/ball.





"**Colourwheel Dazzle**" from **Sirdar** is a DK weight Acrylic/Wool/Polyester blend containing 568 yards and retails for \$19.00/ball. There are corresponding patterns available for this yarn here at the Shoppe for both knit or crochet scarves, shawls, etc!



"**Pattercake**" from Sirdar is a DK weight acrylic/nylon blend containing 545 yards and retails for \$17.50/ball. There is a FREE pattern for a diagonal baby blanket (That takes just one ball!) on the back of the yarn label.



Noro Yarns "Kumo" is a dk weight Viscose/Cotton/Wool/Silk blend containing 393 yards and retails for \$20/skein. 2 different knit top patterns for this yarn are also available!



"**Northern Lights DK**" from **James C. Brett** is a DK weight Premium Acrylic/Viscose blend containing 492 yard and retails for \$15.00/ball! FREE 1 skein Shawl Pattern available on the back of the yarn label!



A brand new base from **ontheround "Everyday Worsted"**! Available right now in just 4 colors to start (Rebel, Wicked, Eclipse, & Patina). 100% Superwash Merino Wool, 220 yards and retails for \$25/hank.

New Colors now available of the following Yarns....

Juniper Moon Farm "Moonshine"

Schachenmayr "Tahiti"

Mirasol "Sulka Legato"

Frabjous Fibers & Wonderland Yarns "Mad Hatter" 5 Packs

Sirdar "Colourwheel"

OntheRound "Everyday DK"

****Malabrigo Book 13 & 14 as well as Noro Magazine #12 are now available!****

New Design from Doreen Marquart!! "Crocheted Babe's Day Out Ensemble" is made with Babe "Softcotton Worsted" in color #112 & #5. Pattern is available here at needles 'n pins or at ravelry.com!



IT'S A CELEBRATION!! CHEERS TO 25 YEARS!

Needles 'n Pins turns 25 on May 1st, 2018 and we have decided to celebrate the entire month!

Doreen has once again put her talents to the needles and designed a special pattern exclusively for this special event!

(Hint: It features one of our FAVORITE Yarns! Have fun guessing☺)

*** SEE CALENDER ON NEXT PAGE for what sales we will be offering each week. REMEMBER there will also be *several* other in-store specials going on that won't be advertised along with extra savings on already markdown clearance yarn and displays!!**

*** Beginning May 1st and running through May 31st enter the code 25YEARS into Ravelry when purchasing any of Doreen's Patterns and receive 25% OFF!!**

***Door prize drawings each week!**



STOP IN AND GET YOUR EXCLUSIVE NEEDLES 'N PINS YARN SHOPPE TOTE!!

**FREE with a purchase of \$75 or more (limit 1 bag per customer)
You can also purchase one for \$8!**

NEEDLES'NPINS 25TH ANNIVERSARY SALE SCHEDULE!

May 2018

SALE PRICES ARE ONLY GOOD ON REGULAR PRICED MERCHANDISE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Berroco -20% Off Yarn & Books Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns & Yarn	3	4 Berroco -20% Off Yarn & Books Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns & Yarn	5 Berroco -20% Off Yarn & Books Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns & Yarn
6 Berroco -20% Off Yarn & Books Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns & Yarn	7 Koigu -15% Off Yarn/Patterns/ Books/Kits Noro -20% Off Yarn/Books	8	9 Koigu -15% Off Yarn/Patterns/ Books/Kits Noro -20% Off Yarn/Books	10	11 Koigu -15% Off Yarn/Patterns/ Books/Kits Noro -20% Off Yarn/Books	12 Koigu -15% Off Yarn/Patterns/ Books/Kits Noro -20% Off Yarn/Books
13 "Sock" Beds-20% Off 20% Off ALL Books/Patterns "Frabjous Fibers" 15% off	14 "Sock" Beds-20% Off 20% Off ALL Books/Patterns "Frabjous Fibers" 15% off	15	16 "Sock" Beds-20% Off 20% Off ALL Books/Patterns "Frabjous Fibers" 15% off	17	18 "Sock" Beds-20% Off 20% Off ALL Books/Patterns "Frabjous Fibers" 15% off	19 "Sock" Beds-20% Off 20% Off ALL Books/Patterns "Frabjous Fibers" 15% off
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27 Marble Chunky 20% Off Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns/Yarn	28 CLOSED- MEMORIAL DAY	29	30 Marble Chunky 20% Off Malabrigo -15% Off Books/Patterns/Yarn	31		

NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE!!!

If you haven't checked out our website lately.....you really should ☺ Thanks to the talents of Melissa Marquart (my daughter-in-law) and her associates, www.needlesnpinsyarnshoppe.com has a completely new look!!! I think they did an awesome job in re-designing the site and making it even more user friendly. Plus, Bailey has been diligently working at making sure all the product information is up to date and accurate. It has been quite the undertaking but we certainly are pleased with the end product.

Plus, you will see at the top of the home page, it lists "Blog". Yes.....I am now officially a blogger!!! I'm not totally at ease writing it yet, but hopefully I'll get there!! I'm having a difficult time in believing that anyone would really be interested in what I'm doing or thinking. My boys were never interested in what I was thinking or had to say, but I have been assured that my customers are ☺ I guess I'll just have to wait and see. Please also feel free to offer your comments on my blog postings. Hopefully this will be just one more way for us to keep in touch with all of you.

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