

DYED IN THE WOOL

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Store Hours:

Tues. through Fri: 10am - 4pm
Saturday: 10am - 3pm

Special Thanksgiving Hours!

Closed - November 25th & 26th

Small Business Saturday Sale - Nov. 27th

I am thinking warm accessories!

This past Sunday and Monday have turned a little colder. It made me think about getting out the wristers and cowls I have made and putting them into a basket to grab and go as I leave the house. I know that I need to get my shawls and wraps reblocked so that I can wear them soon. This would be a good time to take care of that little housekeeping detail.

A Pattern Sale will Continue

A get ready for Fall pattern sale. All printed patterns from Churchmouse, Louet, Karabella and many more will be on sale throughout October. Come and browse our binders and file crates I am sure you will find something to please you and the prices definitely will.

Time To Get Finishing!

If you are like me there are many projects that are close to being finished but not quite. It is always easier to complete those finicky finishing details with friends. I will be opening up the 3pm time slot on some Saturdays as a time to get together with friends and finish those odd bits and pieces. On Saturday the 27th of November I will have a Small Business Saturday Sale so the store will be available all day for you to come in and knit, finish or just chat.

New Arrivals

I am delighted to say that Mira from Baah has created some truly amazing colors and by the time you read this they should have arrived at the shop. I think there will be about a dozen new colors and a few of the older colors are being restocked. As one of the largest stockiest of LaJolla in the area I am sure that you will be able to find some amazing colors.

A Quick Knit Cowl

Last month I designed a cowl and asked Mira at Baah if she had some yarn that might work. Mira graciously sent me two yarns to try and the Sequoia was just what I was looking for. Along with the LaJolla I am getting a brilliant selection of colors in Sequoia. The pattern for this double sided cowl will be free with a Sequoia purchase for a limited time. Think big needles, quick knit, great gift!

Maxima Is Back In Stock

I received a nice selection of colors in Manos Maxima. This yarn is great for the Count 2 Five Cowl and also the Spiral Sequence Cowl by Cath Ward on Ravelry. These are just a few of the projects that this yarn is good for. What will you find?

A Selection Of My Favorite 1 Ball Projects

This month I have selected a few of my favorite one ball projects. Some of them are paid patterns and some of them are free. I have separated them into weight categories and these are all projects that I would make again.

While the Graphic Kerchief calls for a second color I made mine in handspun with a little extra from my stash. If I was making it again would I put that little bit of color into it? I don't know, it doesn't add as much with a handspun that is full of color but if I had used a rather plain yarn it might be a great way to use a little stash.

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Lace Weight Patterns

- Holden by Mindy Wilkes is gorgeous knitted in Fino by Manos. New colors in stock.
- Cobweb by Boo Knits would be fabulous knitted in any lace weight or silk yarn. I used Swans Island Lace Weight in a mustard color with gunmetal beads
- Spin Stitch from Churchmouse has been knitted in Rowan's Kidsilk Haze but would look just as great in Fine Lace, Scrumptious or Gleem Lace or even something a little heavier like a Breathless Lace

Fingering Weight Patterns

- Pluma by Lisa R. Myers for Fairmont Fibers is a really fun knit and I worked mine in Fino. I really love this pattern and the yarn and would probably make another one using a different color of Fino this time.
- Graphic Kerchief by Ce Persiano is a delight to knit. I used handspun with a little Maggi's Angora for my first one I think that I would use Scrumptious for a little luxury but for an everyday scarf I would look at Cumbria or Amble, maybe LaJolla.
- Antarktis by Janina Kallio is a firm favorite at Dyed In The Wool. This has been made in almost every sock yarn that I carry but is especially decadent in Smooshy with Cashmere.
- Hitchhiker Beyond by Martina Behm looks especially lovely in Kettle Tweed but would be spectacular in Algeria
- Taina by Eeva Kesäkuu is a very popular pattern and many of you have made more than one. Changing the yarn and colors can give this pretty accessory a totally different look. What will you use?
- Reyna by Noora Backlund is another favorite and has been made in so many colors of LaJolla by Baah Yarn. This is one of those shawls that can go everywhere and be worn with anything. Love this!
- Mira's Cowl by Mira Cole is a beautiful knit and designed by Mira for LaJolla. I really love this in her tone-on-tone.

Sport Weight Ideas

- Hermione Hearts Ron by Christy Aylesworth is a super soft little hat that is fun to knit and wear. I made mine in Canopy by The Fibre Company but it would work up beautifully in Road To China Light also by The Fibre Co.
- For Drizzle On The Window by Susan Rainey I chose Road To China Light with an assortment of bead sizes. So soft!
- Road To China Light is a firm favorite for the two patterns from The Fibre Co., the Textured Cowl and the Cabled Wristwarmers from their Foundations Collection.
- The Diagonal Lace Scarf and Wrap is a delight to knit and would work up beautifully in a firmer yarn like Daisy, a linen/silk blend or Euroflax a wet spun pure linen. I have also seen this knitted up with exceptional beauty in LaJolla.

DK Weight Patterns

- I have always loved the pure simplicity of the pattern called Age of Brass and Steam from Orange Flower Yarn. While I made this in handspun I think it would be very pretty in Milo, Feliz or Silk Blend by Manos (it may take two balls of Silk Blend). Using Rowan's Moordale would give it a rustic quality and Island Blend (may need two balls of Island Blend) would give it a very sophisticated look.
- The Ikigai Cowl by Breean Elyse Miller would be really scrumptious and decadent in Silk Blend (may take two balls) but so worth it.
- The Chevron Rib Beanie by Reena Meijer Drees is my go to for a quick hat pattern. This would knit up best in a solid color and smooth yarn like Alpaca Soft, Island Blend, Silk Blend, Milo, Nua or Moordale.
- Dog Days 8 by Nick Davis is a really fun knit and also rather quick. I used Tiramisu by Berroco but Millefiori Light would also be a great choice.

Worsted Weight Ideas

- The Spiral Sequence by Cath Ward is a really quick and fun knit. Once you memorize the sequence you just let your hands take over. I used one ball of Maxima for this and was delighted with the results. Would definitely make another one.
- The Copycat Cowl by Verna Glass is another quick knit cowl and would be perfect in any of the worsted weight yarns but would be really lovely in Maxima, Cumbria, Pure Wool Worsted, Ultra Wool or Vintage.
- Molly by Erin Ruth is a really fun cabled hat that is hard to put down. Knitted in Ultra Wool, Pure Wool Worsted for superwash qualities or Cumbria if you don't mind a little hand wash.
- Handbrake is a really lovely cowl by Kay F. Jones that can be knitted in a workday yarn like the Pure Wool Worsted, Ultra Wool or Vintage or you could select Cumbria or Nua Worsted (maybe two skeins of Nua) for a really lovely luxurious gift or for yourself.

Aran Weight Ideas

- The ever popular Lambing Mitts by Veronika Jobe will be lovely and warm in Re-treat or The Croft by West Yorkshire Spinners.
- Hillview Road Cowl by Holli Adams Samet will be truly luxurious in Amelie but would be lovely in so many other Aran Weights that we have in stock

Remember, these are just my suggestions, you will have to gauge and think about the type of use these items will get.

I am so looking forward to seeing what you do with this list.

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