



Spring Store Hours

Monday – Friday 10-7pm
Saturday 10-5pm
Sunday 1-5pm
(860) 687-9931

Koigu is coming!

40+ colors are on their way.

Expecting arrivals to start by the middle of March.

I Need Your Help!

I am offering an **Intro to Knit** class for **Men only**. The only problem is I need to find them. Do you have a friend, spouse, brother, son or cousin who would enjoy learning to knit? Please encourage them to come to this class. It will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7pm for four weeks. And if you sponsor someone for class, I will provide you with a \$10 gift card. How about it?

The Importance of Gauge Swatching

*How many of you know what a gauge swatch is?
How many of you just “wing it”?*

If you don't do a gauge swatch you may be putting your project at risk. For some projects this may be fine, but for others, such as fitted garments, it could be a recipe for disaster.

Learn more about the importance of gauge and reading labels on Tues. April 15th or Sat. June 28th.
(see class schedule)

Eucalan just arrived.

Four “flavors”:

Original Eucalyptus, Lavender,
Grapefruit and Unscented

Two sizes:

3.3 oz concentrate
16.9 oz full strength

Featured web site: www.Yarndex.com

This online yarn reference is a vital resource to anyone who wants to know more about various yarns. Gauge information, yardage and color cards are available for most yarns.

We use this site all the time to look up yarns for you. Let's say your pattern calls for a yarn we don't carry or a yarn that has been discontinued. We look at gauge information and even peek at a photo of the yarn to see how it is constructed before we offer you alternative selections.

Not every yarn is featured here, but most are.

**Handy Guides to Yarn Requirements
(both Knit and Crochet versions)**

by Ann Budd

These handy cards give you an idea of how many yards you need to knit (or crochet) various projects.



Want to knit a pair of mittens? A scarf? Sweater, vest, socks? Yardage is given for gauges ranging from 3 sts per inch to 9 sts per inch. At \$5.95 these cards are invaluable. (We use them all the time)

Ravelry – have you joined?

If so, we have a shop group called **Creative Fibers**. Join this group to stay abreast of events, discussions and completed projects of group members. (an online version of the shop photo board!)

Mother's Day Gift Ideas

Sunday May 11th

Lantern Moon Rosewood Needles
Eucalan
Knitting Reference Books
Knitting Novels
Gift Certificates

All Knitting Bags – 25% off

Photo Board

Our photo board is longing for new pictures of your finished creations. Brag a little!

New Products

Tahki **Sky**: 100% biofil organic cotton - featured in this month's Interweave Knits, Laura knit the Hexacomb Cardigan. Also from Tahki - **Bali** bamboo tape; lightweight with beautiful drape (a year-round yarn) 100% bamboo, 81yds, 4 sts/in US #10 ½, \$7.95

Malabrigo **Silky Merino**: need I say more? 50% silk, 50% baby merino wool, aprox. 150 yards, 5 ½ sts/in on US #6-8, \$9.50

Noro **Taiyo**: next to the skin softness describes this silk blend yarn. The sheen from the silk makes Noro's already fabulous colorways shine even more. 40% cotton, 30% silk, 15% wool, 15% nylon, 220yds, 3 sts/in US #10, \$17.95

Louisa Harding **Jasmine**: with a hint of sparkle 48% cotton, 39% bamboo, 10% silk, 3% polyester, 107yds, 5 ½ sts/in on US #6, \$7.25 also **Mulberry**: 100% silk, 136 yds, 5 ½ sts/in US #6, \$13.95

Elsebeth Lavold **Bamboucle**: a lightly textured summer yarn, 45% cotton / 30% bamboo / 17% linen / 8% nylon, 87 yds, 4.5 sts/in US #7, \$6.95

Classic Elite **Cotton Bamboo**: a beautiful tubular yarn in lovely soft summer colors. 52% cotton, 48% bamboo, 130yds, 6sts/in US #5 \$8

Suede "palms" for your mittens – women's medium \$9.50. Other sizes can be ordered.



New Books –

Destination Alchemy – delicious designs in fabulous fibers!
Kids Knitted Sweaters & More – from Cabin Fever
When Bad Things Happen to Good Knitters – everyone who knits needs this book
More Big Girl Knits
365 Crochet Stitches a Year

Help Fight Breast Cancer... One Stitch at a Time

Knit for the Cure Race
June 7th – Bushnell Park
More info at www.komenct.org

New Class Highlights (schedule attached)

- **Men's Learn-to-Knit**
- **Classic Elite Premiere Swing Top**
- **Crochet Market Bag** – *think Green!*
- **Beaded Silk Wristlets**

Back again by popular request:

- **Many Cast On Methods**
- **Gauge and Yarn Label Info**

Friday Night Knit-Alongs

Bring a project and join us on Friday evenings from 7-9pm.

Knit-a-Heart Premie Hat

Thank you to everyone who participated! We surpassed our goal of 250 hats for Valentine's Day delivery to 5 local NICU's. We delivered over **300** and more continue to arrive each day.

Reminder: We collect and deliver preemie items all year round. It's a great project to participate in.

Stop in for a free pattern
(also available on our website under K2Tog).

Private Instruction

Found a class but it doesn't meet your schedule? We can easily arrange it as a series of 1on1's with homework. Or, grab a friend and make it a shared private lesson at \$30 per hour. (that's \$15 each).

Purl Girls™

We currently have openings in both Purl Girl sessions for a few more participants.

We knit, chat, fix mistakes, help each other along (knit-wise and other-wise). We'd love to have you join us!

Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:30am
Thursday evenings from 6-8pm

\$45 - six Thursdays, or drop in at \$10.
Please register in advance.
New sessions start April 3rd

Return Policy: Just a reminder that all printed materials, needles, notions, and special orders are not returnable. All discounted/sale items are final sale; no returns or exchanges. Returns for all other yarn must be within 90 days of purchase and must be accompanied with a receipt. Yarn must be in original condition with brand label intact. Thank you.



~ Technique Classes ~

1 or 2 Socks - Magic Loop (Ellen G) **\$65/50**
 You can make one sock or a pair at the same time using one long circular needle. Let Ellen show you how. Basic knitting skills are required. Fee includes **2 At a Time Socks**. (deduct \$15 if you own the book).
 Thur. 4/17 5/1,15,29 6:30-8pm

Basic Bag Linings (Julie or Laura) **\$20**
 We will cover the basics: types of fabric, interfacings, handle options and the appliqué stitch that gives a professional look. Bring a bag to finish. No round bottom bags please.
 Materials: bring your own upholstery weight material.
 Sat. 6/28 10-noon

Correcting Common Errors (Laura) **\$12**
 Plan to come to class and make mistakes. Practice correcting them and gain confidence.
 Sat. 4/19 1-2:30pm
 Wed. 5/7 1-2:30pm



Finishing Techniques for Knitting (Laura) **\$15**
 You've completed the knitting; now learn to complete your project with professional results.
Note: Pre-work is required for this class.
 Sat. 4/12 10am-noon
 Wed. 5/14 2-4pm

Gauge & Yarn Label Info (Laura) **\$15**
 All knitters need to decipher those confusing yarn labels and symbols. We'll cover gauge info as well.
A must for all knitters!
 Tue. 4/15 6-8pm
 Sat. 6/28 3-5pm

Intro to Crochet Refresher (Laura) **\$15**
 Interested in the Crochet Market Bag class and need a crochet refresher? Or are you just interested in brushing up on your basic crochet skills?
 Wed. 5/7 6-8pm
 Sun. 6/1 1-3pm

Intro to Knit (Laura) **\$35**
 Learn the basics (cast on, knit, purl, increase, garter, stockinette, seed and rib stitch) and complete a small project using these skills.
 Sat. 4/19,26 10-noon
Men Only class:
 Tues. 4/22,29 5/6,13 7-8pm

Intro to Lace Socks (Laura) **\$50**
 Learn to knit classic lace socks on double pointed needles. Confidence in basic knitting skills is required. Fee includes pattern.
 Wed. 4/9,16,23,30 6:30-8pm



Intro to Spindle Spinning (Ellen G) **\$50**
 Learn the basics of hand spinning using drop spindles. This is a pre-requisite course for learning to spin using a wheel. Fee includes selection of fibers and drop spindle. Note: Hand cards can be purchased at the first class - \$49.95
 Sat. 3/15,29 4/12 3-5pm

Many Cast on Methods (Laura) **\$15**
 We will cover "at least" six cast on methods in this workshop. Find out which method to use and when NOT to use a method.
 Sun. 4/13 3-5pm

~ Project Classes ~

Beaded Silk Wristlets (Laura) **\$20**
 Working in the round we will introduce bead knitting on these sweet silk wristlets. One skein makes several pairs. (Maybe these are this year's perfect holiday gift.) Fee includes pattern.
 Sun. 5/18 3:30-5pm

Cotton Tote Bag (Laura) **\$40**
 Have this tote ready for summer and if you enjoy it, there is a larger version available as well. Fee includes pattern.
 Wed. 4/16,23,30 1:30-3pm
 Sun. 4/20,27 5/4 3-4:30pm
 Sat. 5/10,17,31 10:30-noon



Crochet Market Bag (Laura) **\$35**
Think green! This mesh bag is useful in so many ways. Fee includes pattern
 (See **Intro to Crochet Refresher**).
 Wed. 5/14 6-7:30pm & 5/21,28 6-7pm
 Sun. 6/15 3:30-5pm & 6/22,29 3:30-4:30pm

Intarsia Ribbon Shawl (Laura) **\$35**
 This is an easy way to learn intarsia and you end up with a great shawl. Fee includes pattern.
 Sat. 5/17,31 2-4pm

Premiere Tank Top (Laura) **\$50**
 Once Laura laid eyes on this classic design she had to add it to the class schedule. It's a good lesson on reading charts and basic lace knitting. Fee includes pattern booklet.
 Sun. 4/13,20,27 5/4 1-2pm & 5/18 1-3pm

Sesame Shrug (Laura) **\$35**
 This is a simple project for those who want to move on from scarf knitting. Even experienced knitters will enjoy this quick-to-knit summer shrug. Or you can make it with a warmer yarn for winter wear. Fee includes pattern.
 Sun. 6/15,22,29 1-2pm

Summer Tank Top (Laura) **\$45**
 Another fast knitting summer top with self-finishing edges. This is a great project for confident beginners and beyond. Fee includes pattern.
 Sat. 4/12,19,26 3-4pm & 5/10 2-4pm



Class Enrollment Notes & Policy

Class size:

- We require a minimum of three students to hold a class. Most classes will be limited to no more than six students to allow you sufficient time with the instructor.

Class enrollment:

- We ask that you pre-pay your class enrollment as a courtesy to the instructor.
- **No refunds will be made if you cancel your enrollment.** Please check your schedules carefully before enrolling in classes. We will refund your enrollment fee if a class is cancelled due to low enrollment.
- You may call in with a credit card, send in a check, or stop by the store. You will NOT be considered enrolled until you have paid.
- It is your responsibility to attend all classes in a multi-session program. Unfortunately **class makeup sessions are not available.** (If you need to miss a class you may consider spending some 1-1 time with the instructor at \$10/half hour.)
- If a class is full we would be happy to put you on a waitlist for that particular date. You will ONLY be called if an opening for that class date becomes available.

Class materials discount:

- You will receive a 10% discount on class materials. We do ask that you purchase the materials at Creative Fibers LLC as outlined by the instructor for the class.
- If during the class you find that the needles you purchased for that class don't provide the correct gauge we will be happy to exchange them for another size as long as you have your receipt and the original needle package is intact.

Class cancellations:

- We will try our best to reschedule classes cancelled due to poor weather conditions. (Hopefully we will have few.)



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Closed

Monday, March 10th – Vacation

Sunday & Monday May 25th & 26th
- Memorial Day

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&
Late Night Wednesdays**
(see inside for details)

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Men's Intro to Knit
Help us find the students and
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