

Jimmy Beans Wool Adult Classes- August 2014

Greetings!

We welcome all levels of knitters, crocheters, weavers, & spinners to join us in the shop for classes! If you are an out-of-town customer visiting the area, please feel free to attend any of our classes, walk-in sessions or our **JBW Knit Nights – NOW WE HAVE TWO NIGHTS! Knit Nights will now be held on both the 2nd Thursday AND the 4th Thursday each month from 6 – 8pm!** We would love to include you!

- **All classes are \$25 per person for 2 hours unless otherwise indicated.**
- **Please register by the day before the class you wish to take. You may register over the phone. *Payment is due at registration. We can take credit cards over the phone.***
- **Classes without preregistered students are subject to cancellation.**
- **Please be considerate of your classmates! Purchase and prepare ALL materials BEFORE class so you are fully prepared at the scheduled start time. Classes begin promptly.**

If you're local, please call 775-827-9276. For long distance, please call toll free 877-529-5648 or email Terry at askTerry@jimmybeanswool.com

If a subject isn't offered as a regularly scheduled class, we have available a list of teachers and the subjects they teach. Please ask and we will be happy to put you in contact with the appropriate teacher. All private class arrangements, including location and cost will be negotiated between you and the teacher.

Children's classes: Children require more one-on-one help to be successful in learning fiber arts. We love helping kids learn and have several very good teachers who love working with kids. Please ask about class times for children.

Free Drop-in Help Sessions:

Free-walk-in help times:

- Tuesday: From 11 am until 1 pm
- Thursday: From 11 am until 1 pm
- Sunday: From 2 pm until 4 pm

During these times we will have an instructor on hand to give you their full attention! These sessions are meant for project help and general instruction. This is **not** a good time for beginners, as there are many different requests that the teacher needs to address and a beginner will not get the attention needed to be really successful. If you are stuck on a project, need help getting a project started or mistakes fixed, have confusion about a pattern, need moral support, or whatever - bring your project! No RSVP needed, just show up!

(Note: We are always happy to help at anytime. Outside of these scheduled, free walk-in hours our staff may need to be helping other customers while they are also helping you with your project. Please be patient and we'll do our very best for you! And please remember we need to eat too and may not be able to extend sessions and classes past these scheduled times.)

Class materials and prerequisites:

Materials are not included in the price for the classes unless specifically stated otherwise. Please purchase ALL materials and have yarn wound into balls BEFORE class start time. Classes start promptly at the scheduled time.

101 Beginning Crochet Skills – 1st Saturday of each month - Learn all the basic skills of crochet from how to tension the yarn and the 6 basic stitches while we work samplers that can be used as coasters. If time allows we'll include how to crochet in the round.

Materials:

Light colored worsted weight wool yarn, not superwash.**
Crochet hook in size G, 7, or H.

***Note: If you have a sensitivity to wool, then a synthetic or cotton will work, as long as it isn't splitty. Please ask the retail staff to help you select an appropriate yarn. Your yarn will need to be in a skein or ball before you can knit or crochet. The retail staff will be happy to wind a hank into a ball for you before the class.*

No prerequisites

Sock Lab! – 1st Saturday of each month - This is an **ongoing workshop/lab type class** in which you are free to experiment and learn the sock knitting process step-by-step, at your own pace. You may join this class at anytime no matter what stage you are at in your pattern. During this time you will learn the structure of a sock, how to read sock patterns, how to knit socks cuff down and/or toe up, using any or all of the different needle configurations used for knitting socks. You can also learn how to knit socks either one at a time or two at a time! If this is your very first sock, we recommend knitting a worsted weight sock on double points. On the other hand, if skinny yarn doesn't intimidate you, then you may choose fingering weight socks.

Materials:

200 - 300 yds of worsted weight yarn **OR** 400 - 450 yds of fingering weight yarn
US #5 or #6 needles for worsted weight **OR** US #1 or #2 for fingering weight
A basic sock pattern for the yarn weight and sock size you've chosen (we sell several)
Stitch markers

Prerequisites: How to cast on, knit, purl, and bind off. You will learn joining in the round, increases and decreases, among other skills.

101 Beginning Knitting Skills - 2nd Saturday - Learn the basic skills of knitting – casting on, making knit stitches, making purl stitches, alternating between knits & purls, stockinette stitch, garter stitch and binding off while we begin a set of sampler coasters. Repeat this class until you feel ready to advance, then move on to 102 Beyond Knit & Purl.

Materials:

Light colored worsted weight wool yarn, not superwash.**
Straight or 24" circular needles in size US 7 or 8. Bamboo or wood is recommended as metal & plastic needles are slippery and can cause frustrations for beginners.

***Note: If you have a sensitivity to wool, then a synthetic or cotton will work as well as long as it isn't splitty. Please ask the retail staff to help you select an appropriate yarn. Your yarn will need to be in a skein or ball before you can knit or crochet. The retail staff will be happy to wind a hank into a ball for you before the class.*

No prerequisites

Project of the Month - 2nd & 4th Saturday each month - This month we're so excited! We'll be knitting **Anna by CocoKnits** which is a side to side pullover!!! This fun, sheer, asymmetrical pullover is quick to knit and doesn't use a lot of yarn. This is a great project for advancing your skills beyond the very basics. You'll learn pattern reading, Provisional Cast On, Make 1 increases, sizing, gauge, Kitchener stitch, and other unique construction details.

Materials:

Pattern: **Anna by CocoKnits** (buy the printed pattern from us or a .pdf through Ravelry)
500-1100 yds of worsted to aran weight yarn, depending on size. (cotton or silk are suggested fibers)
US #11 (8mm) circular needle 40" long or size you need to get *pattern* gauge.
Locking stitch markers
Darning or Tapestry needle
Optional: US # 11 DPNs or second circular and/or extra cord if using an interchangeable set,
waste yarn and/or stitch holder
K or L crochet hook

Prerequisites:

Difficulty level: advanced beginner, you should know how to cast on, knit, purl, join in the round, and have made a couple of projects beyond scarves. **HOMEWORK**: knit a swatch in stockinette stitch (knit on the right side, purl on the wrong side) a minimum of 25 stitches wide and 28 rows. For this pattern, **ROW GAUGE IS MORE IMPORTANT** than stitch gauge! Launder and allow your swatch to dry, then rest 24 hours before measuring gauge. You must get 14 rows to 4 inches.

Focus on Technique - 3rd Saturday each month - Each month we'll focus on learning a new knitting or crochet technique. **This month** Rachel will be showing you how to start working with multiple colors while you knit her **Modicum Hat pattern!** She designed this pattern to use one of our Tosh DK Tea Cakes sampler but feel free to use your own choice of yarn!

Materials:

Pattern: Modicum Hat by Rachel Roden (purchase through Ravelry, we can help if needed)
One Tosh DK Tea Cake sampler or approximate 180 yds of DK weight yarn in multiple colors.
US #4--16" circular needle
US #6--16" circular needle
US #6 DPNs
Stitch markers
Darning or Tapestry needle

Prerequisites:

General knitting skills. **HOMEWORK**: knit a swatch in stockinette stitch in the round on the larger needle, (knit every round.). Cast on and knit minimum of 30 stitches around and 4" high. Wash, lay flat to dry and let rest 24 hours before measuring gauge. Gauge = 20 stitches and 24 rounds to 4". Note: your gauge will likely be a little tighter while working with more than one color.

102 Knitting - Beyond Knit & Purl - 3rd Saturday each month- You've already learned how to cast on, knit, purl, alternate knitting & purling and bind off. Now, you would like to make something beyond simple scarves! This is the perfect class to take you to the next step! Learn increases, decreases, joining in the round... whatever you would like to move onto the next project on your knitting journey!

Materials:

Pattern of your choice (optional) Yarn of your choice
Needle appropriate for the size yarn and project Stitch markers

Prerequisites: Must know how cast on, knit, purl, alternate between knit & purl and bind off.

Knitting Lab - 4th Saturday each month – This month – **Fixing Mistakes!** Ripping back to fix a mistake is something that's frustrating and discouraging for many people and often unnecessary! Learn to recognize what correctly made stitches look like and what to do when things don't look right or go horribly wrong.

Materials:

Two large swatches in a light colored yarn, approx 30 to 40 stitches wide and 4” high and left on the needles :
one in stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) and
one in garter stitches (knit on both sides)
Handi-tool or crochet hook in size H or smaller
Tapestry or Darning needle

Prerequisites: How to cast on, knit & purl.

Spinning Lab - 5th Saturday this Month – Learn how to spin or improve your spinning skills! In this workshop/lab style class you can start where ever you are and learn to create your own yarn! Also, learn about your wheel, how to set it up and take care of it. We will also discuss spinning fibers, fiber prep and plying techniques.

Materials:

Drop Spindle or spinning wheel
notebook & pencil

Prerequisites: None

Zoom Loom Weaving – 5th Saturday this month – Join in on this new portable weaving craft!!! It's simple and a great way to use up stash leftovers! The possibilities of what you can make are limited only by your imagination! We'll start off learning how to use the loom to create squares which we will crochet or sew into coasters or a pincushion. Then you'll be set to let your imagination run wild, making pillows, blankets, place mats, table runners, clothing, bags, or whatever you come up with!

Materials:

Schacht Zoom Loom
approx. 30 yds of DK or worsted weight yarn
Tapestry or Darning needle
Notebook & pen

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