

Jimmy Beans Wool Adult Classes- September 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! Knit Nights are now held on both the 2nd Thursday AND the 4th Thursday each month from 6 – 8pm!** Bring your knitting, crocheting, weaving, spinning, tatting or whatever - we would love to include you!

General information

- 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 something you want to learn isn't offered as a regularly scheduled class, please ask and we will be happy to put you in contact with an 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 classes 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 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 will be working on two different projects because we have an “*Extra*” special project for the 4th Saturday!

On the 2nd Saturday - Knit a **Rebecca Danger** toy **Monster**! You may be familiar with Rebecca's designs like Iris the Gourmet Monster.

On the 4th Saturday – We're offering this class for **Free this month** - knit the **new** Blue Sky Alpaca pattern – **Fractal Cowl** from the new Destination Collection with the new Blue Sky Alpaca yarn **Extra**! We're so excited about this yarn and pattern collections that we want you to try it so we are waiving the class fee! You will need to purchase the materials for the class. With this project you can learn how to do the following: a crocheted provisional cast on, chart reading, traveling stitches and applied I-cord.

Materials:

Monster

Pattern: **Maddox the Mischievous Monster** (Purchase through Ravelry.com or Etsy)

150 yds of yarn – your choice of weight, thin yarn for a smaller monster, thicker for a larger one.
DPN, small circular or long circular needle for magic loop in a size appropriate for your choice of yarn, you will want a firm fabric

Toy stuffing

Darning needle

Stitch marker

Fractal Cowl

Pattern: Blue Sky Alpaca Fractal Cowl

US #8 (5mm) 16” circular needle or size you need to get *pattern* gauge.

Locking stitch markers

US H (5mm) crochet hook

Waste yarn (for provisional cast on)

Darning or Tapestry needle

Prerequisites:

Monster difficulty level: beginner - you should know how to cast on, knit, purl and join in the round.

Fractal Cowl difficulty level: intermediate - you should know how to knit, purl, join in the round, and have a general idea of how cables work.

Focus on Technique - 3rd Saturday each month - Each month we'll focus on learning a new knitting or crochet technique. **This month** begin learning how to work **Cables and Traveling** stitches with our free **Scarves to Throws Month 3** scarf pattern! This **easy** project will make a great gift and you'll learn the basics of how cabling and traveling stitches work! With this project you will learn the following skills: yarn overs, SSK, p2tog tbl, blocking, and 4 stitch cables.

Materials:

Pattern: **Scarves to Throws Month 3** (on the free pattern page of our website)

1 hank of Lorna's Laces Shepherd Worsted or 225 yds in another worsted weight yarn. (If you want a longer scarf buy a second hank.)

US #8 or #9 needle (use the #9 if you are a tight knitter)

Cable needle

Stitch markers

Darning or Tapestry needle

Prerequisites:

Basic knitting skills – cast on, knit stitch, purl stitch, and bind off

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:

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| 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 – **Seaming!** How many UFOs (UnFinished Objects) do you have hiding in your closets that just need to be sewn together to be finished and wearable? In this class you'll be walked through how to do the most common seaming stitches for sewing your knitted projects together.

Materials:

Two large swatches in a light to medium colored yarn, approx 25 to 40 stitches wide and 4" high, bind off, wash and lay flat to dry.
Or
A project that needs seaming
Contrasting color yarn
Tapestry or Darning needle
Handi-tool or crochet hook in size H or smaller

Prerequisites: General knitting skills

Private Class time is available from 3-5pm on Wednesdays by **reservation only**. Learn what **you** want to learn in this one on one class time. No walk-ins! Just give us a call or stop by!

Other private classes are available, please ask and we'll put you in contact with the appropriate teacher.

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