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We are now open 7 Days a week at 8am!

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We will be closed Thursday November 25 to have Thanksgiving with our Family!



Greeting Fiber Friends,

It's hard to believe that the Holidays are less than 2 months away. I've been spending my days helping people plan their big winter project and/or picking out those nice little handmade gifts that hardly take any time or yarn. I really enjoy this part of the process and I love having fibers that can become part of the happiness of making and gifting things to others. It's a great way to spend the day. We have a new FREE PATTERN binder up front you can check out for some new ideas. The projects are mostly 1 or 2 skein ones. Next time you come by let me know if you'd like to check it out.

I hope you're all finding enough time to enjoy your craft. People that don't knit, crochet, spin or weave might not understand why we look forward so gleefully to those few stolen moments with fiber in our hands. You really can become addicted to feeling good.

New yarn on the way...

We placed many orders for Malabrigo Yarns in the spring and they are starting to ship. Hooray! The first to arrive is the beautiful **Rasta** a super chunky super soft merino. We hope to receive at least some of the 25 colors of Rios soon. It's a superwash merino. Here's the link to their website if you'd like to drool. We should be receiving Lace, Sock, and Worsted as well.

<http://www.malabrigoyarn.com/index.php>



Rasta in here!

We thought it would be a great idea to have a

“Finish Your Project Party”

A few friends, a little food, some knitting help and the company of others to inspire the finishing of projects...

There will be 2 excellent knitting teachers on hand to help you with any of your general knitting or finishing questions.

Sat. Nov. 20 from 10-2pm Drop-in fee-\$10

We'll be serving refreshments and you'll have the company of lots of kindred spirits!

This month's drink special in the Café

Sport size Egg Nog Latte \$2.75

Nuno Felting with Antoinette and Reggie

November 14 from 10am-2pm

Learn this awesome technique with 2 fiber artists who have refined it. They received rave reviews from the first workshop. All materials are included and you will have 3 beautiful flowers when you're done.

Fee \$55 sign-up early only 6 spots available



Classes for November 2010 at Babetta's

In our project classes you can learn to knit anything from scarves to socks to felted purses to lace shawls to hats to sweaters. Pick your project and join in the fun. Our knitters inspire each other to try new things by sharing ideas and showing off their latest creation. Sign up for one of our classes and you will receive a coupon for %10 off your next purchase. If our class times aren't convenient we also offer private lessons in Knitting, Crochet, Spinning and Weaving by appointment.

***Pre-registration is required as class sizes are limited. Please choose your dates carefully. Because of scheduling conflicts and complications, make-up classes will only be allowed under special circumstances and individual consideration.**

Tuesdays November 2, 9 & 16

Knitting Project 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$40

Wednesdays November 3, 10 & 17

Knitting Project 1pm – 2:30pm fee \$40

Knitting Project 3:30pm- 5pm fee \$40

Thursday November 4, 11 & 18

Knitting Project 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$40

Saturdays November 6, 13 & 20

Knitting Project 4pm – 5:30pm fee \$40.

Last Adult Surprise KAL Meeting Nov. 2 6:30pm

If you'd like to do some charity knitting with a lovely group of people our own group "The Purls of Fair Oaks" meets the second Thursday of every month from 10am to noon here at Babetta's. This wonderful group of knitters started out knitting baby hats for local hospitals and has now decided to take on other charity knitting projects too. If you'd like to come join the group there's always room for more. This month's date is Nov. 11. If you'd like to drop off any knitted or crocheted donation items you can do that at any time and I will pass them onto the Purls for you.

Next Tuesday is Election Day

Wear your I Voted sticker when you stop by Babetta's on November 2nd and get a 10%off discount on your purchase.

Private Lessons Knitting or Crochet \$15 an hour and Group Knitting or Crochet Private lessons \$10 an hour per person.

Spinning or weaving \$20 an hour and group rates are \$15 an hour per person.

Sit and Knit or Crochet Saturdays

You're invited to come and sit in our little living room and share your love of handwork with other Fiber Friends. We're open from 8am to 6pm on Sat. Come by anytime throughout the day.

Babetta's Food Drive

After a fire this month at one of the main Sacramento Food Closets the area needs food donations more than ever. A few of you have been donating on a regular basis throughout the summer months and I'd like to thank you for your kindness and consistent donation. Fiber Friends don't forget that when you bring a non-perishable item when you come to Babetta's you can enter to win a \$25 Gift Certificate.

Elegant Holiday Scarf by Babetta

Materials: 1 Ball Lace Weight silk/mohair, size 10 needles finished measurement 5" x 68"

Gauge: Not critical for this project.

Cast on 34

Row 1 - K2, P2 across ending with K2

Row 2 - P2, K2 across ending with P2

Repeat these 2 rows until you have about 2 yards of yarn left and bind off in pattern.

Wet or spritz block.

We have a wide selection of colors from different companies in this type of yarn including a new one with a sparkle called Luna from S. Charles and some Hand Paints from Twisted Sisters.

Mericash Hat or Neck Warmer

Materials: 1 skein Mericash Thousand Colors Cashmere/Merino from Punta Yarns, Size 8 16" circular needles, size 8 dpns if you're doing the hat, 1 stitch marker, yarn needle. You'll have enough yarn to do 2 hats or a hat and an 8" to 10" neck warmer.

Gauge: 4 sts=1" in pattern stitch

For Hat CO 88 sts, place marker and join in the round being careful not to twist sts.

Pattern round 1 - (P 1, K 1,) repeat around

Pattern round 2 - K

Repeat these 2 rounds until hat measures 6" and begin decrease rounds.

Round 1 and all odd rounds- work in pattern P the purls and K the knits.

Round 2 - (K 6, K2tog), repeat around.

Round 4 - (K 5, K2tog), repeat around

Round 6 - (K 4, K2tog), repeat around

Round 8 - (K 3, K2tog), repeat around

Round 10 - (K 2, K2tog), repeat around

Round 11 - (K 1, K2tog) repeat around

Round 13 - K2tog around, cut yarn leaving a 10" tail and draw through remaining loops with yarn needle and weave in ends.

For Neck Warmer work the same as for hat but work for 12" without decreasing and bind off in pattern ending with round 1. If you make the hat first you can make a slightly smaller version with remaining yarn by knitting until 5 or 6 yards left for the bind off.

Many thanks to all of you for continued support.

We'll see you in the yarn isles,

Babetta, Maya & Gustine