

Babetta's Yarn and Gifts

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We are now open 7 Days a week at 8am! www.babettasyarnandgifts.com We will be closed on Thursday November 27th for Thanksgiving

Greetings Fiber Friends,

I can't believe Thanksgiving is a week away. These spring like temperatures have really been messing with my mind. Our family would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to all of you for your continued support and friendship. We are very heartened by the wonderful community that has sprouted around our shop. It never ceases to amaze me that if there's one thing that thrives no matter what is going on in the world, it is the human spirit. Hopefully Babetta's can be a haven for you to come and enjoy color, texture and conversation while you unwind and find inspiration.

Tis' the season...

Babetta's Food Drive

Maya and I would like to bring the community that has grown around our shop together to help out those less fortunate. From now through the end of the year we will be having a drawing once a week to give away a \$25 gift certificate. To participate you need only bring a food item that will be donated to the Sacramento Food Bank. You will receive an entry every time you bring a donation. Please bring only non-perishable food items. No Ramen noodle type items will be accepted. Drawings will take place every Sunday until the end of the year.

Cathy and Elaine are our first two winners. Thank you & Congratulations ladies!



Classes for December 2008 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 Dec. 2, 9 & 16

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

Wednesdays Dec. 3, 10 & 17

Knitting Project 1pm – 2:30pm fee \$40 Knitting Project 3:00pm- 4:30pm fee \$40

Thursday Dec. 4, 11 & 18

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

Saturdays Dec. 6, 13 & 20

<u>Crochet</u> 2pm – 3:30pm fee \$40 Knitting Project 4pm – 5:30pm fee \$40 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.

Meeting date for the Great American Aran Afghan Knit-a-Long Dec 15 1pm-3pm.

Come sit and knit with our knitting group on the 1st & 3rd Sat. every month. Dec. 6 & 20 10am-2pm

Join the Fair Oaks Madhatters Knitting Group Meeting Date at Babetta's The second Thurs. of every month from 10am – 12pm upcoming date Dec. 11.

On November 28th
From 8am to 6pm
Come to Babetta's and receive a FREE GIFT with every purchase of \$25 or more.

Redeem a Full Babetta's *Stamp Card* and receive an extra 10% off any <u>YARN</u> that isn't already on discount.

Free Tea, Coffee and cookies all day!



If you'd like to get away from football and enjoy a more creative environment, come sit and knit at by the fireplace.

Babetta's now open Sundays from 8am to 4pm.

This year hand made gifts are more popular than ever. There is still time to create something your friends and loved ones will cherish. Here is our free pattern for this year's "Holiday Season". Other suggestions are — Hats, Fingerless Gloves, Scarves, Coasters, Wash and Dish Cloths and don't forget about those Felted purses, slippers, toys and hats, they knit up fast. We've got a quick Christmas Stocking pattern from Knitting Pure & Simple too!

Free Pattern for December 2008 Quick and Easy Gift Slippers

Materials: 1 100gram skein of Saphira a chunky superwash merino from SWTC. Larger than women's size 9 and you'll need some of another Skein. This amazing yarn sells for \$9.95. You'll also need size 7 needles, size 10 ½ dpns, and a yarn needle for weaving in the ends. Gauge: 3.5 st per inch on 10 ½ needles in st st.

Sizes: Child, women, men.

Heel: With size 7 needles co 32, (36, 40) sts. Knit back and forth for 3", (4", 4 ½"), after last row do not turn. Using dpns, join into the round by knitting 8, (9, 10) sts onto needle 1, k 16, (18, 20) sts onto needle 2, k 8, (9, 10) sts onto needle 3.

Toe: Knitting every round work even until slipper measures 2" shorter than desired length. Begin decrease rounds:

Round 1: Needle 1 – k to 2 sts before end k2tog, needle 2 – ssk, k to 2 sts from end, k2tog, needle 3 – ssk, k to the end.

Round 2: knit

Repeat these 2 rounds until 8, (12, 16) sts remain. End by knitting sts from needle 1 onto needle 3, you should have 4, 6, or 8 sts on each needle. Work kitchener stitch to close toe or thread tail through remaining stitches and pull tight. To finish, fold co edge in half and seam for heel. You can find directions for the kitchener stitch in most sock patterns and on the wonderful World Wide Web.

Happy Thankşgiving everyone from our entire family to you!