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

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Autumnal Greetings Fiber Friends or is it Fiends,

We had an eventful September here at Babetta's. There were workshops, a fashion show, my 3 middle children had birthdays and we even got an impromptu visit from the "Yarn Harlot" Stephanie Pearl-McPhee (thank you ladies and gentlemen of the Camellia City Stockin'ettes). Then on Monday Sept. 28th a wonderful thing happened. Fall arrived. Are your fingers itching to knit and crochet a little more than usual? We've got plenty of supplies for you.

Here's a list of most of the new arrivals...

Books

Swing Swagger Drape, Silky Little Knits, All new Homespun Hand Knits, Spin Control, The New Stranded Colorwork, Rowans Greatest Knits, Crochet in Color and Design It-Knit It.

Yarn Companies

Punta Yarn's Mericash fingering and worsted (80% merino/20% cashmere).

This yarn is perfect for Cat Bordhi's Mobius Cowl and we have a free pattern to make lacy fingerless gloves and a matching cowl with 1 hank of the fingering, which is also an excellent choice for cashmere socks.

Rowan's fall Books, Felted Tweed, Silky Tweed, Alpaca Cotton, Pure Wool DK & Purelife DK.

Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Bulky, Burly Spun, Lanaloft & Cotton Fine

Muench Big Baby, Kid Mélange, My Family Print & Rebecca Magazine

Lana Grossa Merino Print sock yarn, Arya Big Print, & Velutto.

Trendsetter Blossom, Cha Cha, Tonalita, Tonalita Nightlife, Monique & Minestrone, plus new colors in their elegant novelties.

Conjoined Creations Surf's Up & Motown

Naturally Buttons & Tussock

Tahki Stacy Dove

Blue Heron Yarns

Aslan Trends Santa Fe & Invernal

Berroco's fall yarns and patterns

Arriving Soon

Classic Elite.

Need a little help with those Holiday projects? Sign up for one of our project classes.

Classes for October 2009 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 Oct. 6, 13 & 20

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

Wednesdays Oct. 7, 14 & 21

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

Knitting Project 3:30pm- 4:30pm fee \$40

Thursday Oct. 8, 15 & 22

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

Saturdays Oct. 10, 17 & 24

Knitting Project 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.**

**Come join our Saturday Morning
Knitting Group! Meetings are the 1st &
3rd Sat. every month from 10am –
2pm. Knitters & Crocheters welcome.
Meet new people and share ideas.**

Would you like to make newborn hats to donate to area Hospital Nurseries?

Join the Fair Oaks Madhatters Knitting Group at Babetta's

The second Thurs. of every month from 10am – 12pm upcoming date Oct. 8. You can drop off hats to donate if you can't make it to our meeting dates.

Workshops in October

For Spinners and Felters

Color Blending Workshop with Gustine our Fiber connoisseur
Sunday Oct. 18th from 11am to 1pm fee \$45 includes fiber.

For Knitters

Learn how to make a Mobius Scarf based on Cat Bordhi's famous cast on. Sunday Oct. 25th. from 1pm to 3pm fee \$30. Does not include materials.



Class Dates for Nov.

Tuesdays Nov. 3, 10 & 17

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

Wednesdays Nov. 4, 11 & 18

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

Knitting Project 3:30pm- 4:30pm fee \$40

Thursday Nov. 5, 12 & 19

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

Saturdays Oct. Nov. 7, 14 & 21

Knitting Project 2pm – 3:30pm fee \$40

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

Our friends at the Camellia City Stockin'ettes brought Stephanie Pearl- McPhee by to check out our shop on her recent visit to our lovely knitting community. Thanks for the photo Beth.

Free pattern for October 2009

Rock your Sparkles Hat

Materials: 1 skein Yang (60% wool, 20% silk, 20% bamboo with a silk wrap thread of metallic sequins, 1 skein Therapi (30% jadeite fiber, 50% wool, 20% silk) both from SWTC (www.soysilk.com), 16" circular needles in size 6 & 7, size 7 DPNs, 1 marker.

Gauge – 5sts = 1" in stockinette on size 7 needles.

Yarn A = Therapi Yarn B = Yang

With yarn A and size 6 circular co 104 sts, pm, join in the round.

Work k2,p2 rib for 1 ¼"

The rest of the hat will be worked in a striping sequence starting with 3 rounds of yarn A, then 3 rounds of yarn B repeated throughout.

Change to size 7 circulars at this point.

Increase round 1 – *k8, m1, repeat from * around.

Knit 2 rounds even.

Increase round 2 - *k9, m1, repeat from * around.

Knit 2 rounds even.

Increase round 3 - *k10, m1, repeat from* around.

Knit all rounds even until hat measures 5"

maintaining striping sequence.

Decrease round 1 - *k11, k2tog, repeat from* around.

Decrease round 2 and all even rounds – k.

Decrease round 3 - *k10, k2tog, repeat from * around.

Decrease round 5 - *k9, k2tog, repeat from * around.

Decrease round 7 - *k8, k2tog, repeat from * around.

Continue decreasing in this manner switching to DPNs when necessary. On round 23 k2tog around and leaving several inches of yarn, break and draw through remaining sts with a yarn needle, weave in all ends.



Don't forget about our ongoing FOOD DRIVE. You could win a "\$25 Gift Certificate" with your donation.

Thanks from Babetta, Maya & Gustine