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<http://www.ravelry.com/groups/babettas-fiber-friends>

We will be open from 8am to 6pm on May 27 Memorial Day

Greetings Fiber Friends,



Summer is on the horizon. It's a time when many of us work with lighter yarns and smaller projects. We've got lots of new lace, fingering, sport, and dk weight yarns on the shelves in beautiful colors if you're looking for that warmer weather project. Stop by and pick up a vacation project or get an early start on those Holiday gifts.

June is the month of graduations, weddings, vacations, and most importantly **"World Wide Knit in Public Day"**. This year's events will be taking place all over the world from June 8 through June 16. Gather your Fiber Friends and go out into the world and Knit or Crochet in Public for everyone to see. Flash those needles and hooks with pride. Here's the facebook official site.

<https://www.facebook.com/WorldWideKnitinPublicDaytheOfficialSite>

What's new?

Alegria from Manos Del Uruguay

Liberty Wool Light in solid colors from Classic Elite

Jojoland's striping sock yarn Melody

Linen Concerto and Bamtastic from Plymouth Yarns

Size 75 knitting needles from Pagewood Farms

Malabrigo Sock and Finito

Multi colors in Sateen by Cascade Yarns

Feza Yarns Alp Natural, Alp Premier, Dazzle, Light, & Viva Glitz

Cotton & Rayon Seed from Blue Heron Yarns

Dream in Color Wisp and Baby Lace

Manos Alegria

If you missed this workshop last time here's your chance to sign-up.

Play Date with Color Workshop with Gustine

Do you struggle with combining or choosing colors for your projects? Maybe you'd just like a few pointers to hone your own skills for your next Fairisle project. Learn to work with color using the "Color Grid" taught by our own textile design expert Gustine.

June 15 10am to noon. Pre-register \$50 includes materials

You'll receive yarn to play with, 2 patterns using Fairisle stitches, a Color Grid, a project bag, graph paper and practice paper to color your own design. www.colorgrid.net



Trilo Knit-a-long with Gustine

Intermediate project

Gustine's sweater is on display in the shop. If the standard construction of sweaters has left you bored, here is a cardigan with a difference! The back and sleeves are knit first and then the front and yoke are picked up and knit as one piece. This creates a cozy cardigan with a horizontal lace rib that flows seamlessly and leaves you with very little finishing work. Sleek raglan decreases form eye-catching shoulder details and a luxurious shawl collar gives it the perfect finish.

Dates: July 2, 16, 30, & Aug, 6 from 6:30 to 8pm

Sign-up fee \$60 and receive a coupon for 10% off materials.

BABETTA'S ONGOING FOOD DRIVE

HELP FIGHT HUNGER IN OUR OWN BACKYARD AND BRING AN ITEM OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD NEXT TIME YOU'RE AT BABETTA'S. YOU WILL BE ENTERED TO WIN A \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE. DRAWING HELD AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.

Classes for June 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.

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.

Our project class knitting teacher Maya Gardner has been teaching at Babetta's for 8 years and can help you make your fiber dreams come true in a fun and patient atmosphere.

Tuesdays June 4, 11 & 18

Knitting Project 10am – 11:30am fee \$40

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

Wednesdays June 5, 12 & 19

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

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

Thursday June 6, 13 & 20

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

Saturdays June 8, 15 & 22

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

Private Lessons

Knitting or Crochet \$20 an hour

Group Knitting or Crochet Private lessons

\$15 an hour per person.

Spinning or weaving \$25 an hour

Group rates are \$20 an hour per person.

50% deposit required when scheduling.

Cancellations with less than 24 hour notice will forfeit deposit with exceptions for emergencies. Other cancellations can be

transferred to rescheduled lessons or store credit.

Charity Knitting Group

How would you like to do some charity knitting/crocheting with a lovely group of people? *“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 makes newborn and premie hats for local hospitals as well as other local charity groups. If you'd like to come join the group there's always room for more. This month's date is June 13. 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 on.

Upcoming art events in Sacramento

Focus on Fiber at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center
5330-B Gibbons Dr. Carmichael, CA 95608

www.SacFineArts.org

Sixth Annual Show at the Garden **“Art by Fire”**

Shepard Garden and Art Center
3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento

www.artbyfire.org

For you spinners out there don't forget about **“Tour de Fleece”** this summer starting on June 29. Here's the Ravelry group link to check out the details.

<http://www.ravelry.com/groups/tour-de-fleece>

Free pattern for June Felt your own Yarn Bowl

Finished size approximately 5” high, 7” wide

Materials: 1 skein Manos Wool Classica (100gr, 138 yds), size 10 ½ 16” circulars, 1 stitch marker.

CO 15 sts, knit 30 rows – you should have 15 ridges, rotate your square clockwise, pick up 1 stitch in each ridge=15 sts, rotate again and pick up 15 sts along cast on edge, rotate again and pick up in each garter ridge=15 sts, total 60 sts, pm, join in the round

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k9, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k10, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k11, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k12, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k13, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k14, kfb*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Increase round: *k15, kfb*, repeat around

Stitch Dictionary

CO=cast on

Pm=place marker

Kfb=knit in the front and
the back of stitch

k2tog=knit next 2 stitches
together

k=knit

st=stitch

Knit 4 rounds

Decrease round: *k14, k2tog*, repeat around

Knit 4 rounds

Decrease round: *k13, k2tog*, repeat around

Knit 2 rounds

Decrease round: *k12, k2tog*, repeat around

Knit 8 rounds

Remove marker and begin I-cord bind off as follows-

Cast 3 sts on left hand needle with knitted cast-on (here's a link for demo)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CQwscY6fIHs> *knit the first 2 sts on the left hand needle, knit the next 2 sts together through the back, place the 3 sts on the right hand needle back on the left hand needle* and repeat between **.

When 3 sts remain, k1, k2tog through the back and knit the last 2 sts together through the back and finish off. Do not connect the 2 ends of the I-cord. Weave in ends and felt.

Felting: Place bowl in pillow case or laundry bag, set washer at lowest setting, highest temperature, highest agitation and felt for 15 minutes. It's best not to let the object go through the spin cycle as it may become too dry to block. Remove excess water by wrapping it in a towel and stepping on it. Use a bowl or towels to shape your bowl and let it dry. At the gap between the ends of the I-cord cut a small curved slit about 2" long and 1/4" wide. You can add a button and crochet chain loop or a clasp across the opening to close the top.



*Thank you all for being a part of our Fiber Family,
Babetta, Maya, & Gustine*