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Hello dear Fiber Friends,

Spring is on the horizon even though we haven't really experienced too much "winter" this year. The changing of the seasons always inspires me with the idea that there are new things to see and do. We've got some wonderful warmer weather yarns coming in along with some stylish patterns. Let us help you make your fiber dreams come true.

What's new?

- Sublime DK cotton in the sophisticated palette the **Sublime** line is known for
- Bamboo Lace from **Blue Heron Yarn** in 8oz skeins of 1260yds
- All the new **Classic Elite** patterns with new colors in Classic Silk, Cotton Bamboo, Provence, Silky Alpaca Lace, Seedling, Sprout, Allegoro, and Firefly
- Swans Island** naturally dyed-organic fingering weight merino
- Scrumptious from **Fyberspates** in Lace and Sport
- Epiphany from **Cascade Yarn**
- New color from the **Fibre Company** in Terra, Organik and Canopy fingering weight with Road to China Light to arrive soon
- Recycled Sari Silk from **Mango Moon**
- Silk Ribbon, Banana Silk and Recycled Sari Silk from **Frabjous Fibers** along with some darling felt needle and notion cases
- From **Tahki/Stacy Charles** we have new colors in Ripple and Tempo with free patterns available for both-A new yarn called Celeste, new colors of Stella, Luna, Nirvana, Crystal and another new yarn called Lily a cotton/viscose/linen blend that knits at 18 sts.

- Trendsetter's** Bodega has arrived along with Baja-a light weight flag and Acacia a cotton/viscose/silk/hemp/linen blend.
- Knit One Crochet Too's** new yarn Dungarees is here along with lots of lots more 2nd Time Cotton, Tye Dye Cotton and Tye Dye Sock
- Opal Sock** in the Fairies & Elves collection.
- Some of you have already tried the newest addition to our needles & notions selection the **Knitter's Pride** brand. It's a very extensive line so we're bringing it in a little at a time. So far it's gotten rave reviews and knitters and crocheters back for more.
- We're expecting a shipment from **Berroco** any day now
- Friday **Lorna's Laces** Sock & Shepard Worsted will be arriving.



Workshops in March

Beginning Needle Felting Sat. March 24 from 1 to 3pm

Learn this fun and easy technique with Maya.

Kit to make spring critters included with registration fee. \$30

Learn to crochet on hemstitched blankets March 11 from 11am to 1pm

No prior crochet experience needed for this one

Kit to edge a burp cloth included with registration fee. \$30

Double knitting workshop Sun. March 25 from 11am to 1pm

Learn how to do double knitting with Gustine

Kit to knit a bracelet included with registration \$30



New things to learn in April

An Entrelac Hat

A sweater KAL that utilizes those leftovers

Classes for March 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 7 years and can help you make your fiber dreams come true in a fun and patient atmosphere.

Tuesdays April 3, 10 & 17

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

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

Wednesdays April 4, 11 & 18

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

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

Thursday April 5, 12 & 19

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

Saturdays April 7, 14 & 21

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.

Pre-registration required.

Babetta's 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.

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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.

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 preemie 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 March 8. 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.



Free Pattern for March 2012

Feather & Fan Crocheted Scarf

Materials: 1 skein Alp Natural from FEZA, size H hook
Finished measurement 6" x 55"



Chain 27, turn

Row 1 - dc in 4th ch from hook, 2 dc in next ch, (sk 1 ch, dc in next ch) 4 times, (2 dc in next ch) 4 times, (sk 1 ch, dc in next ch) 4 times, (2 dc in next ch) twice, ch 3, turn

Row 2 – dc in first st, 2 dc in next st, (sk 1 st, dc in next st) 4 times, (2 dc in next st) 4 times, (sk 1 st, dc in next st) 4 times, (2 dc in next st) twice, ch 3, turn.

Repeat row 2 throughout. Last row do not ch 3 at the end, draw up tail through last st and weave in ends. Wet or steam block to finish.

Stitches used-ch=chain, dc=double crochet, sk=skip, st=stitch

Thanks everyone for helping us celebrate our 7th Anniversary last month. We were overwhelmed by the love we felt from our fiber community. Babetta, Maya, and Gustine