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Babetta's will be closed April 5th for Easter

Greetings Fiber Friends,

First of all thank you to all those who came out to celebrate our 10th Anniversary. It was a great day. Now on to year 11... The Spring/Summer yarns and patterns are pouring in. Hope you can find some time to stop by for a fiber fix.

Don't forget to embrace your hooks-March is National Crochet Month.



What's new?

- *From **Berroco**- All the newest patterns including Norah Gaughn's latest, 20 colors of Modern Cotton, new colors in Folio, Boboli Lace and introducing Fiora
- *From **Plymouth**-Linaza and a new supply of Fantasy Naturale
- *New Hand Paints from **Misti Alpaca** in the Sock and Pima Cotton
- *Books-**Rowan** Magazine 57, Denim Collection, Simple Shapes Summerspun, Cotton Lustre & yarns Cotton Lustre, Pure Linen and Denim
- *Spring colors in **Tahki Stacy Charles** yarns-Ripple, Rosa, Tempo, Mini Tempo, Nina, Flora, Cotton Classic, Cotton Classic Lite,
- ***Classic Elite Yarns** Sandpiper along with the spring 2015 pattern books
- *Road to China Lace from **The Fibre Company**
- *Abracadabra color changing yarn from **Hikoo** (it's UV sensitive)
- ***Mountain Colors** just sent us BFL hand painted fiber, Bearfoot Sock yarn and Perspectives mini skeins along with patterns to go with
- *Alegria Sock yarn from **Manos del Uruguay**
- *A fresh new palette in **Jamieson Shetland** Spindrift
- MJ Yarns** Opulant sock, Polwarth/Silk DK & Silken Lace
- Regia** 4ply sock in many solid colors
- Schachenmayr** Tahiti a color gradient fingering weight with no wool

Coming soon...

Anzula Yarns

New yarns form **Sirdar**

Knit One Crochet Too Niya & Batiste along with patterns for the yarns

Rowan Summerlite 4ply cotton

Knitted Wit out of Portland, Oregon Ramboulet, Shine, Cashy & Victory Sock

Celebrate 3/14/15 “Pi Day” at Babetta’s 1 to 3pm



Bring Pie and join us in a **Pie Potluck** to honor this once in a lifetime numerical coincidence. Coffee, tea, plates, & utensils provided.

Workshop- Elizabeth Zimmerman’s ½ a Pi Shawl 11am-1pm

Come to Gustine’s 2 hour workshop to learn about Elizabeth Zimmerman’s Pi Shawl designs and how to create your own. Suggested yarn Misti Alpaca Sock and size 6 to 8 needles. You’ll receive 10% off materials. Class fee \$25

Save the date: April 29th Anzula Trunk Show 3pm to 6pm

Classes for April 2015 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.

Tuesdays April 7, 14 & 21

Knitting Project 10am – 11:30am fee \$50

Knitting Project 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$50

Wednesdays April 8, 15 & 22

Knitting Project 1pm – 2:30pm fee \$50

Knitting Project 3:30pm- 5pm fee \$50

Thursday April 9, 16 & 23

Knitting Project 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$50

Knitting Project 10am – 11:30am fee \$50

Saturdays April 11, 18 & 25

Knitting Project 4pm – 5:30pm fee \$50.

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 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 12. 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.

For those of you interested in entering the craft competition at the California State Fair, here's the link for dates and requirements.

<http://www.castatefair.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/CA-Crafts-Final-2.2.pdf>

Don't forget about our ongoing "Food Drive"

Bring a non-perishable food item on your next visit and you'll be entered to win a \$25 Babetta's Gift certificate. These items are distributed in our own community to those in need.

Alice's Embrace has really grown since its inception. Read about this wonderful organization and how you can join in making gifts for those suffering with Alzheimer's. <http://www.alicesembrace.com/>



Free patterns for March 2015

Linen Stitch crochet wrap



Materials: 1 ball each 5 colors of Sublime Luxurious Aran Tweed a machine washable cotton/wool blend, size I hook.

I used colors A-#369, B-#368, C-#372, D-#366, E-#365

Pattern note: After the first row this piece is worked on the right side only so that it is reversible and the fringe is created as you go.

With color A chain 150 turn

Row 1: sk 1 ch, (sc, ch 1, sk 1) repeat across ending with a sc, break yarn leaving an 8" tail (after this row you will not be turning to start the following rows)

Row 2: attach color B leaving an 8" tail, ch 2, (sk 1, sc, ch 1) repeat across ending with a sl st in the beginning ch of the previous row, break yarn leaving an 8" tail

Row 3: attach color C leaving an 8" tail, repeat row 1

Row 4: attach color D leaving an 8" tail, repeat row 2

Row 5: attach color E leaving an 8" tail, repeat row 1

Continue color sequence repeat while alternating rows 1 & 2 until you have done a total of 9 color sequence repeats. Divide remaining yarn to add to existing fringe. I added an extra piece every other strand.

Catalina Capelet



Materials: 1 skein Feza Catalina 290 yards, size 8 32” to 40” circulars, Stitch markers

Cast on 31

Row 1: k1, yo, k6, yo, pm, k1, pm, yo, k7, yo, pm, k1, pm, yo, k7, yo, pm, k1, pm, yo, k6, yo, k1

Row 2: knit

Row 3: k1, yo, knit to m, yo, sm, k1, sm, yo, knit to m, yo, sm, k1, sm, yo, knit to m, yo, sm, k1, sm, yo, knit to within 1 stitch of end, yo, k1

Row 4: knit

Row 5: repeat row 3

Row 6: and all even rows-k4, purl across to last 4 stitches, k4

Repeat rows 5 & 6 23 more times

Edging

Row 1: k4, (yo, k2tog) across until 4 stitches remain, k4

Row 2: repeat row 1

Repeat last 2 rows 4 more times

Knit 1 row, Bind off with stretchy bind off

Stretchy bind off: k2, *place stitches back on the left needle and knit them together through the back, k1, repeat from * across. Be sure to wet block for the best finished look.

See you in the yarn isles,

Babetta, Maya, & Gustine