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www.babettasyarnandgifts.com follow us on Instagram @babettayarn http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/pages/Babettas-Yarn-and-Gifts/136290928 Summer greetings Fiber Friends,

Hope this letter finds you well and using all your crafty skills to get through these unusual days. Remember your self-care. We are all in this together. The shop has been nice and steady without being too busy which is the place it needs to be for now. Thank you all so much for stopping by for in store shopping or curbside pickup and especially for following our guidelines to insure a safe shopping experience for all our Fiber Friends.

We're getting a few new things in each month and yes I have been ordering new yarns and patterns for the fall. I'm planning for the future and a possible September LYS day. I'll keep you posted.

What's new? Berroco Aerial Silk Mohair



5 new colors of Sesame



New colors of Ultra Wool



New Magazines









Babetta's has joined the Dream in Color Sock-it Club. Every month on the 15th from July through January we will receive a new color of their wonderful Smooshy Sock yarn with a companion mini skein for heels and toes. Pictured is the July colorway.

Coming soon...

Lots of Malabrigo Arroyo

A shipment of Universal Bamboo Pop plus some new yarns from Universal Deluxe Stripes, Yashi Raffia, and Cotton Supreme DK Waves Kookaburra Woolwash

Classes for August 2020 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 has been teaching at Babetta's for 15 years and can help you make your fiber dreams come true in a fun and patient atmosphere.

Tuesdays August 4, 11 &18

Knitting Project 10:30am – 11:30am fee \$50 Knitting Project 12pm-1pm fee \$50

Wednesdays August 5, 12 & 19

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

Knitting Project 12pm-1pm fee \$50

Saturdays August 8, 15 & 22

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

Knitting Project 12pm-1pm fee \$50.

Private Lessons

Knitting or Crochet \$20 an hour. Call or stop by to schedule.

Group Knitting or Crochet Private lessons \$15 an hour per person.

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.

Free patterns

I have a long tradition of sharing free patterns in this publication. Most of the designs are simple ones to showcase new yarns but my hope is that you feel comfortable to play around with needle sizes and yarn weights to make your own creations. This month I'm republishing a pattern from a couple of years ago of a crescent shaped shawl with a new yarn suggestion. The crochet pattern is a new design I developed as a sort of basic formula after making other similar scarves. Many of you have requested pattern suggestions for my Shades of Fair Oaks line so here are a couple that work well.





Summer Sky Shawl by Babetta

When I was a little girl I spent a lot of time climbing trees. Looking up through the leaves at the sky the shades of blue and green became my favorite colors. In my Shades of Fair Oaks line I have dyed fingering weight yarns that remind me of the many blues found in the summer sky so this shawl became my vision of what the yarn should become. It works well with solids as well as variegated colors as a simple showcase of color.

Materials: 1 skein Shades of Fair Oaks fingering weight 125 gram skein with 480 yards, size 6 32" circular needle

Stitch glossary: k=knit, p=purl, st=stitch, sl=slip stitch purlwise, m1l or m1r on knit row= https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gGbOiIvWLjc, m1l or m1r on purl row= https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7WLQ9qXa88k, twelst (twisted elongated stitch)=go into st as if to knit and wrap yarn counterclockwise around both needles and then just the back needle pulling just the last wrap under an out, yo=yarn over, rs=right side, ws=wrong side, kfb=knit in the front and the back of a st

CO 11 sts

Row 1: (rs) sl1with yarn in back, k1, m1r, k to last 2 sts, m1l, k2

Row 2: (ws) sl1 with yarn in front, p1, m1pr, p to last 2 sts, m1pl, p2 Repeat these 2 rows for s total of 39 rows ending with a (rs) row <u>Lace Section</u>

Lace Row 1: (ws) sl1 with yarn in back, work 1 twelst, yo, work twelst to last 2 sts, yo, work 2 twelst

Lace Row 2: (rs) sl1 with yarn in back, k1, yo,k across to last 2 st, yo, k2

Repeat Lace Rows 1 & 2 two more times

Lace Row 3: (ws) sl1 with yarn in back, k1, kfb, k across to last 3 sts, kfb, k2

Repeat beginning rows 1 & 2 for 21 rows ending with a (rs) row

Repeat Lace section

Repeat beginning rows 1 & 2 for 21 rows ending with a (rs) row

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Repeat Lace Section

Ending Section Row: sl1 with yarn in back, k1, m1r, knit to last 2 sts, m1l, k2

Repeat this row 21 more times

Bind of with elastic bind off- k2, *place sts back on left needle and knit them together through the back, k1, repeat from * across, wet block your shawl with a wool wash and weave in ends



Asymmetric V st Crochet Scarf/Shawl

With a 4 row repeat you can create this pattern as a scarf or shawl with the size determined by how much yarn you have or how big you want to make it with the minimum being 400 yards of fingering weight.

Materials: 1 skein variegated fingering weight (suggested a skein of Shades of Fair Oaks hand dye), size G 4mm hook.

Stitches: Ch=chain, dc=double crochet, sp=space, Vst=(2dc, ch 1, 2 dc)

Ch 3, (dc, ch I, 2dc) in 3rd ch from hook, ch3, turn

Set up row 1: Vst in ch1 sp, ch3, turn

Set up row 2: Vst in ch1 sp, 2dc in sp before turning ch3 of previous row, ch3, turn

Set up row 3: (dc, ch1, dc) in between 1st 2 dc of previous row, Vst in next ch1 sp, dc in sp before turning ch3 of previous row, ch3, turn

Row 1:Vst in each ch1 sp across, dc in sp before turning ch of previous row, ch3, turn Row 2: Repeat row 1

Row 3:Vst in each ch1 sp across, 2dc in sp before turning ch of previous row, ch3,turn Row 4:(dc, ch1, dc) in sp between 1st 2 dc of previous row, Vst in each ch1 sp across, dc in sp before turning ch of previous row, ch3, turn

Repeat these 4 rows until you are happy with the size or run out of yarn. If you choose a thicker yarn remember to use a hook size a couple sizes larger than the yarn recommends. A wet block really gives a good finished piece.