

NATURE'S YARNS – 703-273-3596 – CLASS SCHEDULE

September and October, 2017

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Please register early. Classes with an insufficient number of registrations will be canceled.

BEGINNING CROCHET

Cost: \$115

Level: Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: Basic learn-how-to-crochet class. Beginners will learn the basics of starting a project, basic stitches and color changes while creating a scarf. The class will also cover other techniques such as increasing, decreasing, and pattern reading.

Materials: Practice yarn and hook provided.

Dates/Times: [Thursdays, 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM \(Sept 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2017\)](#)

BEGINNING KNITTING

Cost: \$115

Level: Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: This is a basic learn-how-to-knit class. Beginners learn the basics of casting on, knitting, purling, increases, decreases, gauge, yarn and needle selection, and pattern reading at the basic level. Students select and begin a basic garment.

Materials: Practice yarn and needles provided.

Dates/Times: [Sundays, 11 AM – 1 PM \(September 10, 17, 24 and October 1, 2017\)](#)

BEGINNING SOCKS

Cost: \$90 (3 sessions)

Level: Advanced Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: We'll learn the basics of socks by making a pair of adult sized socks. We'll cover turning the heel, basic finishing techniques, and various patterns. This is the perfect class for those that want the basics (and more) of knitting socks.

Materials: 1 or 2 colors of fingering weight yarn and needles of the appropriate size. Bring two circulars and/or 4-5 double pointed needles.

Dates/Times: [Sunday/Monday, 2 PM – 4 PM \(September 10, 17 and October 2, 2017\)](#)

OOPS! (CORRECTING KNITTING ERRORS)

Cost: \$30 (1 session)

Level: Advanced Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: Drop a stitch? Purl when you should have knitted? This fundamental class is a must! Learn to pick up dropped stitches, “tink” (unknit, stitch by stitch), untwist your stitches without a lot of effort, prevent too many/too few stitches, and how to correct and prevent many other common knitting mistakes.

Materials: Light colored worsted or bulky weight yarn and appropriately sized knitting needles, size E, F, or G crochet hook, note-taking supplies.

Homework: Prepare a swatch measuring at least 4” x 4” using st st and light-colored worsted or bulky weight yarn. Leave swatch on needles.

Date/Time: [Tuesday, 7 PM – 9 PM \(September 26\)](#)

SURPRISE JACKET WORKSHOP

Cost: \$30 (1 session)

Level: Advanced Beginner

Max Number of Students: 8

Description: Ready to take on Elizabeth Zimmerman’s famous surprise jacket? Make this jacket in any size – add a hood, stripes or even pockets for a unique garment for anyone! You’ll create a miniature surprise jacket in this workshop to learn the basic pattern and how to mark your increases and decreases for the basic shaping. We’ll also explore how to size the jacket for larger sizes as well as other tips and tricks for making this wonderful jacket!

Note: This workshop will be broken into two segments with a short break for snacks and/or lunch. A pattern will be provided for a miniature surprise jacket to be completed during the workshop. The original pattern is available for sale at the store and is not included in the cost of the workshop.

Materials: Light colored worsted weight yarn, appropriately sized needles, a size F or G crochet hook, stitch markers (locking markers are preferred), note taking supplies

Dates/Times: [Saturday, 1 PM - 5 PM \(September 30\)](#)

TOE UP SOCKS ON MAGIC LOOP

Cost: \$90 (3 sessions)

Level: Advanced Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: Get ready to brave the world of toe-up sock knitting! In this class you will learn the beauty of the magic loop technique to knit one sock at a time from the toe-up! This technique will give you all you need to know about seamless knitting, German short rows, turning heels that fit your foot, measuring for a good fit, and the infinite ways you can introduce creative patterns into your socks! And we promise a lot of laughter as you learn. And, the benefit is that once you learn this technique you can progress to making two socks at the same time!

Materials: One skein or ball of smooth (min 400 yds), sock weight yarn, light colored (can be variegated). Needles: 32” circular needles, US size 1 (2.25mm) or size needed to achieve gauge (see homework). Note taking supplies.

Homework: Knit a 3-4” swatch in stockinette stitch, that measures gauge at 8 or 9 stitches per inch. Adjust needle size if necessary.

Dates/Times: [Thursdays, 5 PM – 7 PM, \(September 14, 21 and 28, 2017\)](#)

MAKE A HOLIDAY STOCKING

Cost: \$60 (2 sessions)

Level: Advanced Beginner

Max Number of Students: 6

Description: Using a pattern that's easy to customize, make a beautiful stocking in time for the holidays! Learn to read and modify a chart, turn a heel, basic finishing techniques and two color knitting. We'll also cover basic grafting for the toe and how to convert the basic pattern into a seamless (in the round) pattern.

Materials: Ann Norling pattern 1020, 2 colors of worsted weight yarn (Cascade 220 is a favorite), appropriately sized needles and DPNs in the same size, tapestry needle

Dates/Times: [Mondays, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM \(September 4 and 11, 2017\)](#)

BRIOCHE A TWIRLY BEANIE!

Cost: \$60 (1 session)

Level: Advanced Beginner/Intermediate

Max Number of Students: 8

Description: Worked from the brim up, learn how to make this cushiony and reversible two-color brioche beanie for the perfect holiday/anytime gift!

Materials: *Yarn for hat:* 200 yards (total) comprised of two balls of contrasting yarn (one light, one dark), of 100% wool (avoid any synthetic or plant fibers), worsted

Needles: US size 7 in 16" circular and/or same size DPN OR 32" circulars (for crown of hat - student's preference), Stitch markers

For learning sample: Two colors, no more than 30 yards each, of worsted or bulky weight yarn, one light color, one dark color, for learning the technique and practicing in class, with appropriate needle size to suit yarn weight.

Homework - please complete both before the workshop! *For learning sample,* worked flat: with stash yarn, cast on 26 st with color A, knit 4 rows in garter stitch to create a border.

For hat, worked in the round: With Color A, cast on 84 stitches and join in the round without twisting the cast on and place marker to mark the end of the round. Work 1 to 1.5" of K3, P3 rib
Round 1: Knit to end

Dates/Times: [Saturday, 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM \(September 16\)](#)

PORTUGUESE KNITTING

Cost: \$50 (1 session)

Level: Advanced Beginner/Intermediate

Prerequisites: Must be advanced beginner/intermediate knitters.

Max Number of Students: 8

Description: Learn this traditional European method of knitting! It's great for reverse garter and stockinette stitch patterns and for those who hate purling....this one's for you! We will learn how to make a dishcloth using this technique.

Materials: Students to bring a DK/Worsted weight cotton yarn suitable for a dish/washcloth with appropriate needle size (US 5-8) for the yarn. A Portuguese Knitting pin will be provided to all students.

Date/Time: [Tuesday, 5 PM – 8 PM \(September 12\)](#)