

SPRING 2024 WORKSHOPS



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Beginners Crochet

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 7th February 2024 10am - 1pm



In this half-day workshop you will learn the **basic techniques of working crochet straight**:-

- How to hold the hook and yarn.
- How to make the 3 basic stitches; chain, double crochet and treble.
- You will also learn how to crochet backwards and forwards in rows to make a straight piece and learn how to keep it straight!

Information sheets are included with the workshop.

Please bring light coloured DK yarn to practice with. Crochet hooks will be available to borrow at the workshop, but if you have your own hook (4mm), that you would prefer to use, please feel free to bring it along.

Suitable for beginners and returners.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

TO BOOK CALL 01626 836203

Fair-isle Cushion

with Anniken Allis

£59

Thursday 8th February 2024 10am - 4pm



Learn how to knit the 'Diamonds are forever' stranded cushion with Anniken Allis. You'll learn how to knit in the round holding one colour in each hand, how to strand the yarn and achieve perfect tension, how to sew up the cushion using mattress stitch, one row button holes and how to assemble the bag.

Suitable for knitters new to stranded colour work or knitters who already know how to knit stranded colour work but want to improve their skills.

Please bring: 150g each of two colours dk yarn (more colours can be used), 3.75mm 80cm long circular needles (you may wish to bring 4mm and 3.5mm needles in case you need a different needle size to achieve correct tension), stitch marker, 36x36cm cushion pad (not necessary to bring to the class), 6 buttons (2cm wide) and blunt sewing needle.

Skills needed: How to cast on, cast off, knit and purl.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

Beginners Spinning

with Terri Holman

£59

Friday 23rd February 2024 10am - 4pm OR
Friday 15th March 2024 10am - 4pm



Join us for a workshop from expert and enthusiastic local spinner and teacher Terri, who has her own flock of Jacob sheep.

The day will introduce you to the basics of fibre preparation, spinning and plying on a drop spindle and a spinning wheel.

In the morning you will be preparing the fleece for spinning using hand carders and then looking at the basic art of spinning using a drop spindle.

After lunch you will apply this knowledge to the spinning wheel and hopefully produce a skein of plied yarn!

We have spare spinning wheels available but do bring your own working wheel if you have one. Please call beforehand if you are unsure. Fibre and hand carders for spinning will be provided.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

Beginners Crochet

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 28th February 2024 10am - 1pm



In this half-day workshop you will learn the basic techniques of working granny squares. Building on basic crochet skills, you will be using the basic stitches to make a granny square and learn to work from a pattern. Then you will learn how to crochet 2 granny squares together.

Pattern sheet is included in the workshop.

Please bring 2 colours of DK yarn to practice with. Crochet hooks will be available to borrow at the workshop, but if you have your own hook (4mm), that you would prefer to use, please feel free to bring it along.

Suitable for those who have completed the beginner's workshop and also improvers who would like to add to their skills.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

Tunisian Crochet

with Di Stewart

£59

Wednesday 6th March 2024 10am - 4pm



Tunisian Crochet is a form of crochet that uses a long hook to gather up and then work off stitches, making a fabric that is more compact than ordinary crochet, suitable for bags, cushions, hand warmers and many other projects.

Skills you will learn include: the basic techniques and stitches of Tunisian Crochet including purl stitch, how to increase and decrease, and how to use different colours to easily make great effects in your projects.

The workshop will include instruction sheets for the basic stitches and techniques and a pattern for hand warmers which includes all the stitches.

Suitable for: anyone who can make a basic crochet chain-Tunisian crochet is simple and repetitive and easy to pick up!

Please bring: 2 colours of DK yarn to practice with (not too dark or textured). Hooks will be available to borrow or buy on the day.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

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Crochet Baskets

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 13th March 2024 10am - 1pm

A half-day workshop to create a gorgeous crochet basket - go big and bold or small and elegant!

You'll learn the basic techniques of working in the round to make a flat circle, working from a pattern. Then you will learn how to create sides from the circle to make a small basket, and will take home a pattern sheet for future use.



Choose between making a small basket with Chunky yarn, or the jumbo basket with Superchunky yarn.

For the small basket, please bring 1 ball each of 2 contrasting colours of chunky yarn. For the jumbo basket please bring 200g of Superchunky main colour and 100g of contrasting colour.

Crochet hooks will be available to borrow at the workshop but if you have your own hook (6mm for Chunky yarn, 15mm for Superchunky) that you would prefer to use, please feel free to bring it along.

Suitable for those who have completed the beginner's workshop and also improvers who would like to add to their skills.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

Needlefelt a Bunny

with Lynne Dewberry

£35

Wednesday 27th March 2024 10.30am - 1.30pm

In this half-day workshop, experienced needlefelting teacher Lynne of So To Felt will guide you through creating a very cute felted bunny rabbit.

These make eye-catching and adorable Easter decorations, or if you make more of them, they make a wonderful mobile for a woodland-themed nursery.

Lynne is passionate about promoting the art of felt making, endeavoring to provide practical advice & encouragement to participants so that they can use their own ideas in creating their work.



Previous workshop attendees have reflected on how they found the process of felting therapeutic, and as a former Play Therapist, Lynne understands the power and importance of creativity as a therapeutic process.

All materials needed will be provided on the day (other than a small charge of £1 for any needlefelting tools which get broken).

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

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Beginners Sock Workshops

with Trish Flemen

£45

Thursday and Friday afternoons over the term - check dates



Have you always wanted to create your own handknit socks but don't know where to start? Perhaps some gorgeous self-patterning sock yarn has caught your eye and you want to use it, or how about knitting socks as sure-to-be-cherished presents?

Trish will be running guided sock knitting sessions over 3 weeks, and there will be multiple rounds of the sessions, so if you miss a week you can attend one in a later month. The course costs £45 and includes a ball of yarn and DPNs.

This workshop is ideal for those who are already able to knit but have not yet tackled knitting socks. Knitting in the round would be advantageous but not critical. Trish will be teaching the basic sock pattern by Winwick Mum which is a lovely and versatile beginner's sock pattern.

April dates: Friday afternoons 2 – 4pm on the 5th, 12th and 19th

May dates: Thursday afternoons, same time on the 16th, 23rd and 30th

Professional Finishing

with Anniken Allis

£59

Tuesday 9th April 2024 10am - 4pm



After spending hours, weeks or months knitting a beautiful garment poor finishing can ruin all your hard work.

Learn how to sew in ends neatly, block and press pieces correctly, sew up garments using mattress stitch, shaping to make sewing up easier, picking up stitches for neck bands and button bands, short row shaping and three needle cast off for shoulders. You will get Anniken's Online Professional Finishing Course for FREE after attending this class.

Please bring: smooth dk or aran weight yarns and suitable needles, a blunt sewing needle and two 15 x 15cm stocking stitch swatches in a smooth yarn. Do not cast off your swatches but leave them on a piece of waste yarn. Bring a third swatch in stocking stitch (approx 15x15cm) - this swatch can be cast off.

Skills needed: Knit, purl, cast on and cast off.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

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£35

Wavy Tunisian Bag

with Di Stewart

Wednesday 10th April 2024 10am - 1pm

In this workshop you will learn how to make different types of Tunisian Crochet stitches to make the wave effect, using 3 different colours of yarn.

Tunisian Crochet is a form of crochet that uses a long hook to gather up and then work off stitches, making a fabric that is more compact than ordinary crochet, suitable for bags, cushions, hand warmers and many other projects.



The pattern uses longer Tunisian treble stitches, which are simple to make, but when using contrasting yarns, they make a stunning design.

This workshop will include the pattern for the bag, which can also be used to make a small cushion.

Please bring 3 contrasting colours of DK smooth yarn to practice with. Tunisian Crochet hooks are available to borrow at the workshop.

Suitable for anyone who has learnt the basic techniques of Tunisian Crochet.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

Brioche Knitting Basics

with Anniken Allis

£59

Tuesday 16th April 2024 10am - 4pm



Brioche knitting remains very popular. There are so many eye-catching and cosy patterns which use it, however it can seem intimidating to master on your own. Fortunately experienced teacher Anniken is here to guide you!

In this workshop you will learn two colour brioche starting with a basic brioche rib and syncopated brioche, basic increases and decreases, reading brioche patterns and how to fix basic mistakes while knitting Anniken's Kos Hairband. You will also learn how to read brioche patterns and how to fix basic mistakes.

Please bring: DK yarn (two colours, 50g each), 4mm circular needles (60 or 80cm long) and knitting notions.

Skills needed: Confident basic knitting skills: knit, purl, cast on and cast off.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

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Bavarian Crochet

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 24th April 2024 10am - 1pm



Bavarian Crochet is an interesting technique, that uses clusters and long stitches to make texture and patterns.

Building on your basic crochet skills, during this half-day workshop you will learn how to make a shell cluster and how to make back post stitches which are used in Bavarian Crochet and often in other textured blanket patterns.

Working in the round to make a coaster, we will use treble shell clusters and back post trebles in different colours of yarn to make the overlaid effect. Basic instructions for Bavarian Crochet are included in the workshop.

Suitable for: basic crochet skills

Materials needed: please bring 2 or 3 contrasting colours of smooth DK yarn and a 4 mm crochet hook

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

£59

Spinning Improvers

with Terri Holman

Friday 26th April 2024 10am - 4pm

Join us for an improver's workshop from expert and enthusiastic local spinner and teacher Terri, who has her own flock of Jacob sheep.

This workshop is for people who have already participated in Terri's beginner's workshop. This time you will be concentrating on using the spinning wheel.

Applying the basic knowledge learnt from the first workshop, you will be again looking at fibre preparation, spinning and plying on the spinning wheel.

We have spare spinning wheels available but do bring your own working wheel if you have one. Please call beforehand if you are unsure.

Please bring an extra £12 in cash for the larger bag of carded Jacob fleece which Terri will be providing herself for each participant.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.



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Tunisian Bobbles and Stars

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 1st May 2024 10am - 1pm



Learn how to make Tunisian bobbles and starburst stitch, both of which are based on Tunisian trebles, to create interesting effects and textures.

This half-day workshop uses them in combination with basic Tunisian Simple stitch and contrasting colours to make various patterns.

The workshop is suitable for people who know basic Tunisian crochet techniques.

Please bring:-

4 different colours of DK yarn.

4.5mm Tunisian crochet hook.

Tunisian Hooks are available to borrow for the workshop.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

Mosaic Knitting

with Anniken Allis

£59

Thursday 9th May 2024 10am - 4pm

Mosaic knitting is the easiest way to knit colour work. It looks very effective but only one colour is used per row.

In this workshop Anniken Allis will teach you how to knit mosaic colour work and how to knit from a mosaic chart.

You'll work on a project during the workshop – choose from a pair of hand warmers or an eye-catching scarf.

Please bring:

For hand warmers: two colours of dk yarn – approx 30-50g of each colour, 4.5mm knitting needles, knitting notions.

For scarf: two colours of dk yarn – approx 100-200g of each colour, 4.5mm knitting needles, knitting notions.

Skills needed: Basic knitting skills: knit, purl, cast on and cast off.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.



Tunisian Mosaic Crochet

with Di Stewart

£35

Wednesday 22nd May 2024 10am - 1pm



Tunisian Mosaic creates colourful and geometric patterns using Tunisian simple stitch combined with Tunisian mosaic stitch (which is a simple stitch to learn).

There are no charts to read and written instructions to make hand warmers, are included in the workshop.

The workshop is suitable for people who know basic Tunisian crochet techniques.

Please bring:-

2 contrasting colours of aran weight yarn, one of which can be colour changing, or plain, to your preference.

5mm Tunisian crochet hook.

Tunisian Hooks are available to borrow for the workshop.

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.

Needlefelt an Owl

with Lynne Dewberry

£35

Wednesday 29th May 2024 10.30am - 1.30pm

In this half-day workshop, experienced needlefelting teacher Lynne of So To Felt will guide you through creating a whimsical felted owl.

These make eye-catching and adorable decorations, or if you make more of them, they make a wonderful mobile for a wildlife-themed nursery..

Lynne is passionate about promoting the art of felt making, endeavoring to provide practical advice & encouragement to

participants so that they can use their own ideas in creating their work. Previous workshop attendees have reflected on how they found the process of felting therapeutic, and as a former Play Therapist, Lynne understands the power and importance of creativity as a therapeutic process.

All materials needed will be provided on the day (other than a small charge of £1 for any needlefelting tools which get broken).

Tea-time treats and refreshments will be served.



Sweethearts Lace Scarf

with Anniken Allis

£59

Thursday 4th July 2024 10am - 4pm



Learn how to knit a beautiful, beaded lace scarf with experienced teacher and lace knitting designer Anniken Allis.

Whether you are an experienced lace knitter or brand new to lace knitting, you will enjoy this beautiful scarf.

Sweethearts is a delicate, pretty lace scarf with beads scattered throughout. It's the perfect small project for that one special skein of 100g 4ply/fingering weight yarn you've been holding on to!

Please bring: 100g (400m) of 4ply/fingering weight yarn, 4mm needles, 200 size 6 beads and 0.75mm crochet hook.

Skills needed: Cast on, cast off, knit and purl.

Please bring your own lunch. There are also many local places to buy lunch nearby. Tea-time treats and refreshments will also be served.

KNIT CLUB DATES

We love our free and friendly Knit Clubs - spread the word and bring a friend! Donations towards the cost of tea and coffee are welcome, though.

Tuesday morning Knit Clubs: 10am-1pm

February 6th, March 5th, April 2nd, May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th, December 3rd.

Wednesday morning Knit Clubs: 10am- 1pm

January 24th, February 21st, March 20th, April 17th, May 15th, June 19th, July 17th, August 21st, September 18th, October 16th, November 20th, December 18th.

Wednesday evening Knit Clubs: 5-8pm

January 31st , February 28th, March 27th, April 24th, May 29th, June 26th, July no knit club, August 28th, September 25th, October 30th, November 27th, December 18th

Weds evening Spinning Clubs: 6.30-9pm

No club in January, February 7th, March 6th, April 3rd, May 1st, June 5th, July 3rd, August 7th, September 4th, October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th

BOOKING TERMS & COVID INFORMATION

Booking Terms

- If you have to cancel a booking there must be at least 7 clear days before the workshop is to be held for you to receive a refund.
- We reserve the right to retain your booking fee for cancellations less than 7 days prior to the workshop to cover our costs. We will endeavour to fill your space, if we do we will be in a position to offer you a full refund or you can opt to book another workshop.
- Refreshments will be offered throughout the day but please bring your own lunch.
- In the unfortunate event that we have to cancel a workshop we will rearrange at the earliest convenience.

Covid Safety

- Please do not attend if you are unwell, particularly if you have symptoms of Covid (eg fever, loss of taste or smell, cough).
- Hand sanitiser will be available to use at your convenience.
- In line with current regulations you will not be required to wear a face covering.
- In the event that updated government Covid guidelines mean we have to cancel our workshops, and we are unable to rearrange you will be refunded in full.