

Knitting, Teaspoons, Tablespoons and Gauge

Gauge tends to be a confusing concept for some.

So let's think about gauge as a cooking example.

If we needed to measure out 1 cup of flour, it would take more teaspoons to make a cup than tablespoons.

It's like that in knitting; it takes more little stitches to make up one inch of knitted fabric than it does bigger stitches.

Little stitches are made with skinny yarn on little needles and bigger stitches are made with fatter yarn on larger needles. You will need a whole lot more stitches for a sweater knit on size 4 needles than a sweater knit on size 10 needles. So let's define skinny and fat yarn, little and larger needles.

Yarn	Number of stitches required to create 1 inch of fabric	US needle size
Fingering	7-8	2-3
Sport	6	3-5
DK	5.5	4-6
Worsted	4-5	7-9
Bulky	3 - 3.5	10 - 13
Super Bulky	1.5 - 2.5	15 - 19

Summer Shop Hours

Monday - Wednesday	10am - 6pm
Thursday	10am - 7pm
Friday	10am - 6pm
Saturday	10am - 5pm
Sunday	1pm - 5pm

Closed Sunday, July 3rd and Monday, July 4th.



Friday Night - Open Night

from 7-9pm

Summer Dates:

July 8th & 22nd

August 5th & 19th

Bring your knitting, spinning, crochet, or just yourself.

Bring a friend!

It's free, just come and join us!

Tuesday Coffee Mornings

July & August

Join Laura on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 – 10am for coffee, knitting and conversation.

Preview new fall yarns as they arrive.

July 12th, 26th
August 9th, 23rd
free

Sock Contest

We're sponsoring a [sock contest](#) to help residents at [My Sister's Place](#) in Hartford.

At any given time 28 women and 25-40 children reside at the facility and we thought we'd adopt them as one of our charity knitting/crochet projects. We also wanted to have some fun.

You can participate in a variety of ways:

- Knit a pair of socks to be entered in the contest (and donated)
- Purchase "Votes" for your Favorite Sock (4 Votes for \$1)
- Donate purchased (adult & children's) socks for the residents
- Donate directly to My Sister's Place (we have a wish list)

All proceeds from the event will be donated to My Sister's Place.

There are three categories so even brand new sock knitters can participate and win a prize. Or, you may just want to knit (or crochet) a pair and donate them to the event much like our other charity projects. Socks are a great summer project, even for you gardeners, beach bunnies and the like.

Categories and Prizes:

Customer Favorite - \$50 gift certificate
Best First Pair of Socks - \$50 gift certificate
Best Use of Color - \$50 gift certificate

We will start accepting socks on July 1st.

All sock entries must be here by September 11th.

Only "pairs of socks" may be entered.

Entries must be made from yarn purchased at Creative Fibers.

You may purchase 4 votes for \$1.

The entries will be on display from September 17th – 30th.

Winners will be announced in early October.

Yarn Arrived!

Gems Merino Worsted is here.

This worsted weight superwash wool knits at 4 – 5 sts per inch and has 175 yds on a 100gm skein.

The 27 colors are fabulous. Whether you are knitting for a child or an adult you will be delighted with this lovely yarn.

Summer Shawl Knitalong

Wednesday Evenings 6-8pm
June 15th – July 27th



We'll be working on the Classic Elite *Parkhurst* Shawl and we'd love to have you to join us. Whether you knit this two-tone, or in just one color, we think it's a winner!

There is no fee for the Knitalong; just come, enjoy the camaraderie of others, and the air conditioning.

Fall B&B Knitting Weekend

November 11th – 13th, 2011
Optional Thursday November 10th extension

Our next Knitting Retreat Weekend is now scheduled and we hope you will consider joining us. The weekend away is such a great change of pace from all the hectic demands we face each day.

Knit, relax, socialize, enjoy fine dining and learn a knitting trick or two. We have an optional Thursday overnight if you would like to extend your time away.

Weekend:

\$450.00 (per person) for shared occupancy ~
when you sign up with a friend

\$650.00 for single occupancy

The retreat weekend fee covers all your lodging, meals, optional class, taxes and tips.

Class materials and alcoholic beverages are additional.

For more details see our website or
pick up a flyer at the shop.



Pattern & Book Fair

Saturday and Sunday
July 9th & 10th

Remember Book Fairs when you were a child?
We're hosting one this summer.

All patterns and books in stock.
Purchase 2 and receive the 3rd one free.
(The free item is the lesser price of the three items.)

Green Days
Saturday and Sunday
August 27th and 28th

All yarns that are green (as in color) – 10% off

Herbs, Flowers & Veggie Swap

We'll have tables set up just outside the shop.
Drop off your herbs, flowers or veggies on the way in, and
pick up some on your way home.

Bring your own bags (for yarn or veggies).

Please...

Do not pull on the binder rings to open pattern binders.
It bends the rings so they do not close firmly and we like to
keep the patterns tidy and in their place.
Please use the tabs to open the binder rings when
taking out a pattern.

Mark Your Calendars

Shawl Knitalong – Wednesday evenings starting June 15th

Sock Contest (*start knitting now!*)

Socks need to be entered by September 11th
Judging (that's you!) September 17th – 30th

Tuesday Coffee Mornings - July 12th, 26th & August 9th, 23rd

Book Fair – Saturday & Sunday, July 9th & 10th

Winter in July: two classes to get you started for the holidays!

Mini Sweater - Saturday July 16th
Learn to Knit Mittens - Sunday, July 17th

Green Days – Saturday & Sunday, August 27th & 28th

Fall Knitting Retreat Weekend – November 10th – 13th

Private Instruction

Found a class but it doesn't meet your schedule?
We can easily arrange it as a series of 1on1's with homework
at \$10 per half hour/\$20 per hour.

Or, grab a friend and make it a shared private lesson at \$30
per hour (that's \$15 each).

Thank You!

Thank you to those of you who write checks or pay with cash
for your purchases instead of using a credit or debit card.
We really appreciate it; every little bit helps!