

**WOOL & WICKER**  
 120-12051 Second Ave  
 Richmond, BC V7E 3L6  
 604-275-1239  
 Toll free 1-877-966-5945  
 Woolandwicker.com  
[dianedebray@shaw.ca](mailto:dianedebray@shaw.ca)

**10th anniversary/08**  
**summer Sale!!**  
**July 26-August 2**

Mark your calendar now! Come early and draw for your discount 10-50% off any in stock yarn

- All discontinued yarns 50% off, including all Needful & a whack of DGB sock yarn!
- All books and magazines at 25% off (check out our new ones further on!)
- Select sweater samples at clear out prices
- Free magazine with \$75 purchase or more while quantities last
- All scarf yarns in black plastic shelving at back of store will be 50% off! Includes ribbons, eyelash, glitters and furs.
- We welcome your personal cheques, cash, interac, MasterCard, or VISA
- Hours as usual

Happy summer 2008! Here is the latest addition to our family, our third **granddaughter**, Sidney Jane Smith, born May 28<sup>th</sup>/08 to our youngest daughter (and member of the store team) Monique and husband Ryan.. Monique is taking maternity leave, of course, but we are looking forward to having her back in the store, hopefully with Sidney & Camryn in tow. Remember, we have a playroom!



**Shop hours**  
**Tues. – Sat. 10-5:30PM**  
**Sun. & Mon. 12-5PM**

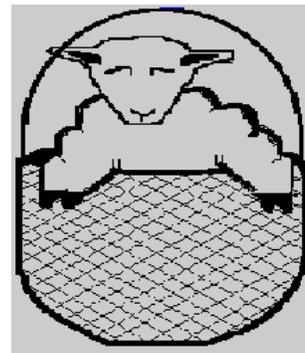
Note: We are open every day of the year, except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day

My oldest daughter, Lisa, suggested I make a sleep sack for Sidney. I, of course had no idea what that was, is that similar to a gunny sack? No Mom, it is in place of a blanket at night time, to keep little ones warm if they kick their covers off. What a great idea! I chose a lovely extra fine merino super wash lightweight double knitting, Zitron Lifestyle, in a self patterning mix of pinks greys and grey green. The colour has been discontinued, of course (doesn't that always happen?) but the good news is, that you can also use a self patterning sock yarn, and Zitron Trekking has the same colour. I will write the pattern to accommodate both weights. There is also a lime green mix and blue mix in the Lifestyle left, if you hurry. Mr. Zitron tells us that new multicolours are being made, and the yarn comes in many delicious solids as well. [Skacelknitting.com](http://Skacelknitting.com)

We continue to collect Project Linus blankies, as well as yarn stashes to make them, thanks to all those generous knitter's/crocheters/quilters/sewers out there! Thank you also to the lovely ladies of the knitting guild who meet in the store whenever we need to prepare some blankies for gifting. You rock!

**New books in stock, and lower prices to reflect our stronger Canadian \$!! Remember to support your local yarn shop!**

- Stitch N Bitch Nation
- Son of a Stitch N Bitch
- Stitch N Bitch Calendar 08
- Bag Style, Folk Style, Lace Style, Scarf Style
- Cables Diamonds & Herringbone
- Felt Forward
- Cables & Arans, Harmony Guide
- Lace & Eyelets, Harmony Guide
- Knit & Purl, Harmony Guide
- Knit the Christmas Story
- Kristin Knits



- Knitted Icons
- Knitting Little Luxuries
- Knitting Never Felt Better
- Modular Knits
- Yarn Lovers Guide to Hand Dyeing
- Unicorn Book's bestseller New Pathways for Sock Knitters.

**Class news!** See last 2 pages for new workshops planned, and changes to Knitting with Jean



Here is Camryn, Sidney's big sister with cousin Hennessey's hat Gamma made her. Our pattern free in the store, with yarn purchase.

**Coming for Fall/Winter**  
**08/09**

Watch for the following coming in August/Sept./Oct! Where possible, I have included our distributor website addresses for you to see the product.

From **Skacelknitting.com**, along with Addis, the best knitting needles in the world, we will have some wonderful new yarns with a new book of patterns to support them, **Schulana's Angora Fashion**, gorgeous colours in a dk weight blend, their **Kid Seta**, a kid mohair & silk just like Rowan's kidsilk haze, see pattern below,



their Mosco, a lovely rayon, mohair, nylon, Savannah, a cotton, linen rayon blend dk weight used in a great crochet design jacket, my favourite, Sumerino and Sumerino print, a gorgeous, springy and chunky extra fine merino, below



and Trisul, a bulky wool and nylon with lots of texture. Also, we can offer Zitron's Gobi, wool, camel and alpaca blend in an aran weight, their Nimbus, an aran weight certified organic single ply dyed with eco friendly dyes, vest below



lots of new colours in their Trekking sock yarn and Pro Natura solids, plus a new Trekking 6 ply sock yarn!. If you see anything else you would like while browsing their site, let us know, we can have it within a few days for you. They have several different fabulous cashmeres in many luscious colours as well.

From diamondyarn.com and novayarn.com, we still have some of the 100g Snowflake Chunky Magic with stripes left for those very soft baby blankies and sweaters that the little ones love. We have ordered Sirdar's new version, Snowflake Chunky, coming in 50g balls, same quality yarn in solids only, at a new price of \$3.95! Can't beat the Sirdar quality and great price. We have also re-ordered their Confetti, a bulkier version, great for quicker knits. The new Escape Dk is coming, with a definite WOW factor, this one promises to be a reasonably priced hit, and we will have a sample. Also coming with a sample, will be Big Softie, another reasonably priced aptly named new softly coloured confection, a gorgeous new colour of Juniper, and lots more Snuggly dk and 4 ply, and the well received Eco wool from last fall/winter. Watch for tons of new patterns and booklets from this great English company.

From mirasolperu.com, we have their new book coming, again by Jane Ellison, new colours of the gorgeous Hacho, and the new Chirapa, 100% wool lightweight dk. Take a look at their website and see the progress of the Mirasol Project, assisted by your purchases of their yarn!

From Debbie Bliss, you will see more of her great pattern books, plus lots more yarn, baby Cashmerino, Cashmerino Aran, and this time, Cashmerino Chunky!

From Ella Rae, who designed for Jo Sharp, we have new colours coming of her Classic Wool, a low cost wonderful feltable 100g pure wool pull skein for your sweaters or felting projects, we now have about 20 colours, and lots of pattern support in her lovely books. Ella has

a new handpainted Lace Merino, at 400m, looks like Koigu, but at a much better price. This one is glorious! Until Diamond's website is updated, you can see her yarns at knittingfever.com.

A new German company Diamond is distributing, Rico, will supply us with Bella in 6 colours of a polar weight thick and thin at a great price. We have reordered the Universal Tango for your ruffled scarf gifts for Christmas! Four new Sublime books are coming.

Incredible Japanese artist Noro will be sending a new silk garden sock yarn in 5 colours, and a chunky in 4 colours, along with a new batch of books.

From the Diamond Luxury Collection, we will have Chan Chan, a lovely cotton wrapped polar weight roving yarn in natural, and a Sock yarn aptly called Footloose, both at very low prices for great quality.

From Katia, we will have Trilogy again, in more colours, and Flamenco, another made for shawl and scarf delight, artfully coloured and striped in changes of fiber, and last, but not least Irish Tweed, in 3 colours, well priced, and beautifully authentic looking. Malabrigo is bringing you a book with some very nice patterns.

fleeceartist.com/handmaiden we will bring in some more of your favourites, 2/6 merino, blue faced Leicester aran and 4 ply, lady Godiva, Great Big Sea, Mo in decorator colours, Maidenhair, Angel Hair, Casbah Sock, Swiss Mountain Cashmere and Silk, and their new thick/thin Blue Faced Leicester. From Manos del Uruguay we have stock of most of the multicolours, as well as several colours of their new manos with silk, for the coolest new Primera booklet.

From their new distributor, Westminsterfibers.com, we have ordered more Rowan Yarns, and there are some exciting new developments that will be looked forward to for fall/winter 08. This

year is Rowan's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary! I have been a Rowan fan right from the very 1<sup>st</sup> book, 22 years ago, and of course, fell head over heels for the work of Kaffe Fassett and made several of his designs and designs of many of the other Rowan designers over the years. We are also big Rowan yarn fans here, so his colours of their concoction "Colourscape Chunky" are so exciting and eagerly anticipated. All Rowan fans who remember Kim Hargreaves will be happy to know that she has re-affiliated herself with the company, has designed some colours in their yarns, which will be labeled Kim, and has a new book out called "Heartfelt", and three more planned for the next few months: gorgeous designs from one of the most prolific and popular Rowan designers over the years. More great news from Rowan is an addition of Purelife Wool to their Purelife cotton collection. These yarns are fair-trade, vegetable dyed, organic and labeled with recycled paper. We have lots of colours coming to support this collection of wool it is gorgeous! We also ordered more Big Wool, Tapestry, Felted Tweed and Kid Classic.

Berroco.com's exciting new fall collection includes Peruvia Colours, a multi, and Geode, gorgeous! Peruvia Quick, pure alpaca knitting at 16 sts, a heavier chunky wool/alpaca blend called Cuzco, Ultra Alpaca fine with nylon Socks! And Inca Gold, merino and silk! Yum!!



For you, my friends who are lucky enough to be grandparents, here are some really cute lines...

-My young grandson called the other day to wish me Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was, and I told him, "63". He was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, "Did you start at 1?"

-After putting her grandchildren to bed, a grandmother changed into old slacks and a droopy blouse and proceeded to wash her hair. As she heard the children getting more and more rambunctious, her patience grew thin. At last she threw a towel around her head and stormed into their room, putting them back to bed with stern warnings. As she left the room, she heard the three-year-old say with a trembling voice, "Who was THAT?"

-A little girl was diligently pounding away on her grandfather's word processor. She told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he asked. "I don't know," she replied. "You know I can't read yet."

-Our five-year-old grandson couldn't wait to tell his grandfather about the movie he had watched on television, "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea." The scenes with the submarine and the giant octopus had kept him wide-eyed. In the middle of the telling, my husband interrupted Mark, "What caused the submarine to sink?" With a look of incredulity Mark replied, "Grandpa, it was the 20,000 leaks!"

-When my grandson Billy and I entered our vacation cabin, we kept the lights off until we were inside to keep from attracting pesky insects. Still, a few fireflies followed us in. Noticing them before I did, Billy whispered "It's too late grandpa, the mosquitoes are coming after us with flashlights!"

-A nursery school teacher was delivering a station wagon full of kids home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. They

use him to keep crowds back," said one youngster No, said another, "he's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close. "They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrant."

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like: "We used to skate outside on a pond. I had a swing made from a tire; it hung from a tree in our front yard. We rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this in. At last she said, "I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?" I mentally polished my halo while I asked, "No, how are we alike?" You're both old," he replied.

I didn't know if my granddaughter had learned her colours yet, so I decided to test her. I would point out something and ask what colour it was. She would tell me, and always she was correct. But it was fun for me, so I continued. At last she headed for the door, saying sagely, "Grandma, I think you should try to figure out some of these yourself!"

A Sunday school class was studying the Ten Commandments. They were ready to discuss the last one. The teacher asked if anyone could tell her what it was. Susie raised her hand, stood tall, and quoted, "thou shall not take the covers off they neighbor's wife."

When my grandson asked me how old I was, I teasingly replied, "I'm not sure." "Look in your underwear, Grandma," he advised. "Mine says I'm four to six."

# Classes

**Don't see the class you would like to take? Let us know what you would like classes in and we will advertise it and see if we can put a class together!**

[Woolandwicker.com](http://Woolandwicker.com) 604-275-1239

120-12051 Second Ave., Richmond, BC

**Please note:** We offer the very best available teachers and we encourage you to purchase your yarns here before class in order to keep your fees low, and class size small. All yarns, needles and accessories for students 10% off while class in session. Call now to register for 2008, or for more information, class size limited to 8 students. Don't see the class you want to take listed? Let us know and we will try to make it happen!

## Beginner and Beyond knitting

Just learned to knit or have you only knit scarves? This class is for you. \$85 6 weeks. Min. 4 students. Get your name in now for the next class. Fri. nights 7-9PM, or Mon. aft. with one of our new beginner teachers, Edita Michalek, who is taking Nihon Vogue with Jean Wong, and would love to teach knitting in her retirement years coming, and Michelle Prefontaine, who has retired from a long career in nursing, and wants to share her love and knowledge of knitting with everyone! Michelle's available anytime for teaching beginner knitting, so we should have some daytime classes set up for her soon.

Basic knitting skills required for the following classes.

**Intermediate Knitting:** \$85-6 wks. Sat. aft. 1-3 Pm. Min. 5/class. We have a brilliant new teacher who is anxious to teach you all she knows about knitting, and she knows a lot! This is Pat Dyksterhuis, a graduate of Jean Wong's Level 4 classes. These are project based classes, you choose the project and get help from the teacher as you knit. You will learn so much in this class, because you learn from what the others in class are doing as well. Register now for the next class.

### Sampler Knitting Workshop

\$130.00-10wks. Sat aft. 3:30-5:30PM. Learn to knit aran, intarsia, Entrelac, fairisle and other knitting patterns you would like to learn, in sampler sizes with Pat Dyksterhuis. Squares can be joined into an afghan when you're done. Register now for the next class.

### Sampler the Sequel Workshop

\$130.00-10wks, Sat. aft. 3:30-5:30PM. Grads of the 1st workshop above can learn more complicated patterns.

**Classes with Holli Yeoh:** Queen Bee of Bees Knees Knits ( and current president of the West Coast Knitter's Guild) will teach some of her workshops for us. They will be morning workshops, which could take place weekdays or Sat. Mornings. She is available till end of June, and then again in September. Let us know what you are interested in learning more about from this great local designer! See her work and read about her classes elsewhere on [beeskneesknits.ca](http://beeskneesknits.ca). Get your name on the list for the workshops you would like to take.

Curious about Jean's classes? Check out some on-going blogs on line to see how her American students are doing, go to [google.ca](http://google.ca) and type in nihon vogue knitting classes with Jean Wong.

## Nihon Vogue Certificate

### Knitting Course.

These classes are the only ones of their kind offered in North America. We have had 2 of these classes running in the store since January 04, and we have a waiting list for the next classes. Get your name on the list right away, only 8 spaces available. These are certificate classes with Nihon Vogue Knitting School of Japan affiliation. Nihon Vogue has had a school operating in Japan for 52 years, and has trained 50,000 plus knitting instructors! This is like a University Knitting course. The 1st year is one year in duration, with a once a week class for 5 weeks, then 2 weeks off, repeating for the year. The tuition is \$1050, payable first day of class, (deposit needed to hold your place) plus \$150 for textbooks needed. These are a set of 4 texts, good for the first 2 years of the course. (Second year tuition will be around same price, using texts you already have). This 1 year knitting course is appropriate for all skill levels, from beginner to master knitters. Even master knitters have learned much from Jean. Your first seven projects will be

1. pull-over vest with no shaping, your choice of boat, V neck or round neck;
2. top down sweater (or fair-isle yoke top down if you have already done this workshop with her);
- 4 set in sleeve sweaters;
3. pullover round neck,
4. pullover V-neck,
5. Cardigan round neck,
6. cardigan V-neck
7. Crochet vest.
8. design your own.

Attendance will be taken, and your projects marked. Certificates not issued if you miss more than 6 classes.

\*1<sup>st</sup> week of Sept.08 start date for next 1<sup>st</sup> Year class, Sept.4th/08 start date for Nihon Vogue 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year will be combined into 16 months, 1<sup>st</sup> half is design from swatch, no garments made, 2<sup>nd</sup> half is learning to be a teacher. Further info to come, once price, etc. decided.

### Professional Finishing Classes

Jean Wong teaches the following classes. For perfect results, we suggest this challenging series; we have had all levels of knitters, from intermediate skills to masters, all learning many expert techniques. All students begin with level 1. We offer day and evening classes. These are an abbreviated version of the Nihon Vogue certificate class, no certificate offered, for those who don't wish to commit to a year of knitting school.

**Please note:** Classes with Jean are possible Tuesday nights, 7-9PM, Wednesday

afternoons after 3PM and nights 7-9PM, all day Thursday, and Saturdays and Sundays for workshops. Student minimum is 4 for each class.

### Professional finishing, level 1

\$220.00 for 10 weeks, not including materials. Daytime, or evening, 7-9PM. You will knit a round neck pullover vest, from scratch (no pattern to follow) perfect shaping of round neck, perfectly shaped armholes, perfect invisible or tubular cast off. Learn the exacting Japanese knitting techniques of drafting your own pattern, and learn how to knit to fit, without following someone else's pattern.

Homework: 2 6 x 6 stocking stitch swatches, one washed and blocked, the other not washed. We are taking names for next classes. Get your deposit in now to reserve a place in the class. Maximum 8 students.

### Professional Finishing, level 2

\$220 for 10 weeks, not including materials. Daytime or evening, 7-9PM. Graduates of level 1 knit a short or long set in sleeve round-neck pullover, learning perfect armhole shaping for set-in sleeves, perfect set-in sleeve shaping, short row shoulder shaping, invisible cast off, some pattern drafting.

### Professional Finishing, level 3

\$220 for 10 weeks, not including materials. Daytime or evening 7-9PM. Graduates of level 1 and 2 learn more Japanese knitting techniques, drafting and math involved, you will be making a v-neck set-in sleeve pullover, it can be a lace or aran stitch pattern staying with more simple patterns, especially around the v-neck.

### Professional Finishing, level 4

\$220 for 10 weeks. Graduates of level 3 knit a round-neck cardigan, with set in sleeves, matching patterns or lace perfectly, using stitch patterns and multi-colours, but not fair isle. You may put in pockets if desired.

### Professional Finishing, Level 5

\$220 for 10 weeks. Graduates of level 4 will learn new techniques involved in drafting a v-neck cardigan with set in sleeves, pockets if desired, bust darts may be learned, and you may use vertical or horizontal button bands.

### Professional Finishing, Level 6

\$220 for 10 weeks. Graduates of level 5 will draft a raglan cardigan or pullover.

### Professional Finishing, Level 7

\$220 for 10 weeks. Graduates of level 6 will draft a raglan pullover with a fair isle yoke.

### Introductory Workshops with Jean Wong

#### Jean's hand painted Shrug

Workshop \$100 5 wks, 2 hours per night, Because of the popularity of the first workshop, Jean has agreed to repeat it just one more time, get your name on the list quick! and Handpaint Shawl \$35.00 will cover this 1 day, 3 hour

workshop making a lovely shawl with Handpainted Handmaiden Yarn. Get your name on the list, any of her students can join in this last workshop of it's kind.