

Intro to Handweaving
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Supplies

Students will need a frame loom to work with. Frame looms can have a rigid heddle- assists in picking up threads and spacing, or without- always less expensive. Tapestry looms are usually used at an angle. Many can be purchased used.

In Greensboro frame looms and some weaving supplies can be purchased at Gate City Yarns on Elm Street. In Asheville, frame looms and weaving supplies may be purchased at Earthguild.

<http://www.earthguild.com/products/weaving/wvoff.htm>



Several sites to order frame looms from are:

<http://www.paradisefibers.net/Ashford-Weaving-Frame-Loom-p/192-116.htm>

<http://www.woolery.com/pages/tapestrylooms.html#ashford%20frame>

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http://www.schachtspindle.com/our_products/rigid_heddle.php



this loom flips and folds for easy travel. It is available at the woolery. (their pictures were easy to use!)

http://www.schachtspindle.com/our_products/tapestry_loom.php

We will use flat shuttles for this weaving, not a bobbin shuttle. If you need help with a decision please let me know! Three or four are a good number.



this one has a flat side for packing in your rows of weaving. These shuttles are available at the woolery.

Yarn choices

Yarn is chosen to fit the project. We'll start with a tapestry weave and then move to structure weaves. We'll begin with cottons and wools. If you have weaving yarns already please bring them. If not, I'll have some to get us started. We'll use a cotton warp and wool rug yarn.

If you have a special project in mind before class begins please let me know. Knitting yarns are spun differently and are not good for loom weaving.

Please bring scissors, a tape measure, pencil, graph paper and any snack you may need!

If you have questions my email is kathryngauldin@gmail.com

I'm looking forward to a great class!

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