



Duneland Weavers' Guild of Northwest Indiana

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President's Letter

Happy Fall!

I belong to "Weaving for Weaving Sake" Facebook group. It is a group of weaving enthusiasts. People can ask questions, show off their work or just offer suggestions based on their knowledge of weaving or lack of it. It is the latter that sometimes gets me talking out loud to my screen.

Recently, a question was asked about using a certain brand of yarn as weft (the yarn you are weaving with). Some of the answers that were being given related to using this brand of yarn in the warp (the yarn that is used to warp or dress the loom) and they were ugly. Plus, that wasn't even the question asked. For what it is worth, I have used that brand of yarn in both the warp and weft, and it will work. As a new beginner, I wouldn't recommend it. There is a lot that could and will go wrong. But, if they had an experienced weaver guiding them, and even if they didn't, why not try? This is how we learn.

Have you ever put off creating that one project because of the naysayers? If so, I want to encourage you to start again. The Duneland Weaver's Guild members are extremely talented (weaving, spinning, knitting ect.) and we support each other. Several of us are willing to stay after the meeting and brainstorm. If you need inspiration, Suzy Vance will be presenting the October program, Creating from the Heart; The Artistry of Living. You don't want to miss it!

See you in October!

~Lisa



Making A Jacket with Handwoven Fabrics



The pattern we are using is 100 Jacket by Daryl Landcaster

The jacket is a simple unlined jacket with a set-in sleeve and extended armhole for comfort.

The pattern can be found at <https://www.weaversew.com/shop/sewing-patterns.html> for \$15.99. It is a downloadable PDF. I have printed and cut it out for those who do not have a printer. We can trace the pattern in your size after the guild meeting.

The information below is a summary.

Size

If the jacket you are making is for a bra size B cup or smaller use size A.

If the jacket you are making is for a bra size C cup or larger use size B

Size	Finished Bust Circumference		Finished lower width		Finished Length
	A	B	A	B	
Brown	36 ½" (92.7cm)	NA	37 ½" (94.2cm)	NA	26" (66cm)
Green	39 ¼" (99.6cm)	40 ½" (101.9cm)	40 ½" (102.8cm)	42 ¼" (107.3cm)	26 ⅞" (68.2cm)
Red	42" (106.6cm)	42 ⅞" (108.9cm)	44" (111.7cm)	45" (114.3cm)	27 ⅞" (70.8cm)
Blue	45" (114.3cm)	45 ⅞" (115.8cm)	47 ½" (120.6cm)	48" (121.9cm)	28 ¾" (73cm)
Orange	48" (121.9cm)	48 ¼" (122.5cm)	50 ⅞" (129.2cm)	51" (129.5cm)	29 ⅞" (75.2cm)
Purple	NA	51 ¼" (130.1cm)	NA	54" (137.1cm)	30 ½" (77.4cm)
Lime	NA	54" (137.1cm)	NA	57 ½" (145 cm)	31 ½" (80cm)

Yardage requirements:

Yardage requirements assume that you are using a one-way design, so that all the pattern pieces will be cut in the same direction. Matching weft patterning and hand-painted warps will require more fabric.

	18" (46cm)	24" (61cm)	36" (92cm)	45" (115cm)	60" (150cm)
Brown	5 ½ yds (5m)	4 yds (3.6m)	2 ¾ yds (2.51m)	2 ¾ yds (2.51m)	2 ¾ yds (2.51m)
Green	NA	4 (3.6m)	3 ¾ (3.42m)	2 ¾ (2.51m)	2 ¾ (2.51m)
Red	NA	5 (4.6)	3 ¾ (3.42m)	3 (2.74m)	3 (2.74m)
Blue	NA	6 (5.4m)	4 (3.6m)	3 (2.74m)	3 (2.74m)
Orange	NA	6 (5.4m)	4 ¼ (3.88m)	3 (2.74m)	3 (2.74m)
Purple	NA	6 ¼ (5.7m)	4 ¼ (3.88m)	3 ¼ (2.97m)	3 ¼ (2.97m)
Lime	NA	6 ¼ (5.7m)	4 ½ (4.11m)	4 (3.6m)	3 ¼ (2.97m)

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Recommendations For Handwoven Fabric

- • Sett it denser than you think.
- • Avoid long floats, which make a fabric less stable.
- • If you want a lighter fabric, choose a thinner yarn, not a looser sett.
- • Avoid weft patterning, repeats and blocks. They are hard to match for side seams and such.
- • If you use a hand-painted warp, make sure there is a repeat!
- • Wash your fabric well.

Example:

I am a bra size cup C or larger with a Finished Bust Circumference of 45 $\frac{7}{8}$ " (Blue). I will need 4 yards of handwoven fabric that is 36" wide to make jacket B.

*See attachment for weaving parameters.

All the information is available on Daryl's website The Weaver Sews. She has written documents, YouTube Videos as well as a Bog. Everything is free excluding the cost of the pattern. I find the information overwhelming and this is why I wanted to make this a guild project. I have confidence that together we are going to make something amazing!

Lisa

Reminder- Meetings are also available by Zoom.

Duneland Weavers Guild is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Duneland Weavers Guild's Zoom Meeting



Id Websites

Check out our Duneland Weavers' Guild website for new content and photographs at:

<http://dunelandweaversguild.org>

Check out the guild's Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/dunelandweaversguildofnorthwestindiana>

The guild has a private Facebook group page for member posts found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2753907701519609>

Textiles and Tea

Handweaver's Guild of America, Inc. presents Textiles and Tea online every Tuesday, 4-5p.m. EST. Go to <https://weavespindye.org/textiles-and-tea/> for more information and to register.

October 6, 2026: Linda Hayden

October 13, 2026: Neil Goss

October 20, 2026: Stacey Harvey-Brown

October 27, 2026: Teresa Edmisten - 300th Episode!

Monthly Weaving Tip

From the book

"Weaver's Wisdom: 250 Aids to Happier Weaving"

Tape cores from tissue rolls into the corners of bench compartments to hold pencils, hooks, etc.

New Members

Please welcome new and returning members listed below and be sure to add their information to your directory booklet.

Newsletter Submissions

Newsletter submissions are due the 25th of the month and will be printed in the following month's newsletter.

Submissions can be emailed to
Mandy Benson

From the desk of Sherron Pampalone

Is Talent Necessary?

<https://news.jayshetty.me/p/is-talent-necessary>



Interwoven Expressions Exhibit and Sale

Holiday shopping starts at this 41st annual showcase of
22 leading Midwest fiber/textile artisans!

Exquisite creations from hands that weave, dye, knit, felt, quilt, stitch and
design contemporary and traditional fashions, home decor, and holiday gifts.
Enjoy meeting these incredibly talented artists.



1001 Sand Creek Drive
Chesterton, IN 46304

Saturday, November 14, 2026
9 am - 4 pm CST
Sand Creek Country Club

Fast Checkouts! - Free Admission! - Free Parking!

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Up Coming Events:

-October 10, 2026 Suzy Vance Creating from the Heart: The Artistry of Living
10 a.m. CST at Three Moons Fiberworks, 402 Broadway, Chesterton, IN 46304



-November 14, 2026 Earnestine Carey Sewing your hand wovens Workshop following program
10 a.m. CST at Three Moons Fiberworks, 402 Broadway, Chesterton, IN 46304

