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# WINTER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

PRESTIGE YARNS

## ORDER NOW AND BE READY FOR THOSE COOLER DAYS AHEAD

Here at Prestige Yarns we are looking forward to the cooler days ahead and all the amazing projects created with our yarns. With this change in the season we are also looking to increase our communication with you through these regular newsletters. Here we will share with you the new products we will be stocking along with some of our best sellers. We are also developing some patterns which will also be showcased here. We know your time is precious so will keep these updates short and sweet but thought it would also be an opportunity to share some knowledge of yarn and crafts with you. We are often asked about the technicalities of yarn so thought we would share some information on micron counts with you this time.



"Now, let us  
take a deep  
breath and  
forge on into  
the future;  
knitting at  
the ready!"

ELIZABETH ZIMMERMANN

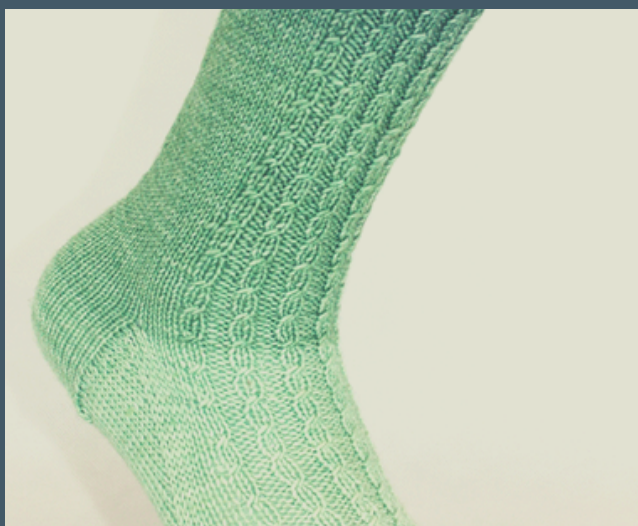
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## Introduction of our new patterns

We are creating a collection of patterns using our yarns. These patterns will be available on Ravelry as well as on our website. Please feel free to make use of these patterns by directing customers to our Ravelry page or by printing the patterns and handing them out in store. You are also welcome to put these patterns onto your own website for free downloads.



## Cabled Socks

We have many new sock patterns in the works. This cabled sock uses a simple faux cable technique down the front of the sock. This panel can run from the cuff to toe or stop at the ankle. Included in the design is also instructions for a simple sock worked from top down with either a short row heel or a heel flap and gusset allowing it to be used by all knitters!

## Geometria Hat and Shawl

These 2 distinct patterns, each beautiful in their own right, work so well together as a set both utilising the gradient of Fiori Sock yarn. The hat is created holding 2 strands together where as the shawl is held single and features an icord edge. The shawl also has instructions for making a larger scarf using 2 skeins of yarn.







## Fiori Gradient Sock

This yarn creates a lovely gentle fade through the 50g skein, designed to use 2 skeins to create a matching pair of socks but the possibilities don't stop there. Hold 2 strands together to make a stunning beanie or even make larger items such as blankets that allow you to exploit the faded gradient



## Botties

Create beautiful slip on shoes perfect for around the home. You can either crochet or knit the upper section that attaches to the sole. These soles are perfect for a beginner level who has knowledge of the stitches involved and once complete make excellent gifts. The soles are suitable for indoor and outdoor use but we think they are perfect for slippers!

Sizes- XXS-36/37, XS-38, S-39, S+, 40/41, M-42/43, L-44, XL 45/46

## KnitPro Zings

Since their launch, Zing needles have become a firm favourite to many knitters. Their fun colour coded shaft and sharp tip make working with them a real joy. As well as being available as individual needles, we also have a fantastic range of needle sets including straight needles, DPN's and Interchangeables.





## What does number of microns mean?

### What is a Micron?

A micron is 1000th of a millimetre. Micron is the unit of measure used to appraise the diameter of a wool fiber. Specifically, it refers to the thickness of the individual fibers that make up the wool. The smaller the micron number, the finer and softer the wool will be. Merino wool, which is known for its softness, has a micron count between 11 and 24.

### What does the number of microns mean?

Microns play a crucial role in determining the softness, and durability of your knitting yarn, making micron an essential consideration for any serious knitter.

So, what exactly is a micron, and why is it so important in knitting yarn? Let's take a closer look.



### Where and Why to Use Microns in Knitting Yarn

Microns are used in knitting yarn because they play a crucial role in determining the quality of the finished product. A yarn with a high micron number will be rougher and less soft than a yarn with a lower micron number making it suitable for projects not worn against the skin such as outerwear. A yarn with a low micron count will be softer and more delicate, making it ideal for lightweight garments worn against the skin and your baby knits. If the micron count goes too low however the yarn becomes too fragile to wear and will pill terribly.

Our Bambini has a micron of 19.5-20.5, with Fiori being a touch finer at 19.0-19.5 micron. This makes the both yarns perfect for so many projects as both are beautifully soft with a durability that sees the garments last for many years!

Please let us know if you have any other questions about yarn, needles, hooks or crafts in general that you would like answered here. Drop us an email or DM us on our social channels.

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