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FLUFFY BUNNIES

Rico has launched a super fluffy, super chunky yarn perfect for winter knitting.

Rico Creative Petit Lapin Super Chunky is a 100% polyester faux fur yarn that comes in a range of on-trend pastel and neutral shades.

The brand has also released a range of designs including fashion such as a trendy cardigan and waistcoat, accessories, homeware and toys.

Rico Creative Petit Lapin Super Chunky is as soft as its name – which means "little rabbit" in French – and knits up on 8-10mm needles.

A Rico spokeswoman says: "Mega cool and super soft, our new faux fur yarn Creative Petit Lapin creates super-soft knitwear. With this wonderfully cosy fur yarn and new knitting leaflets you can create unbelievably snug knitted items, which are not only incredibly comfy but also have a mega cool look."





BEAUTIFUL BRAIDS

The age-old technique of ply split braiding is having a renaissance and Pony has released a brand new needle to get you started.

For centuries this simple technique has been used to create decorative pieces and with this easy-to-use needle you can make your own modern woven fabrics.

Pony's 10cm Ply Splitting Needle retails for \pounds 6.99 and offers plenty of ideas to adorn your knits. Why not add a braided belt, bag handle or edging to your current WIP?

WHAT'S ON

FEBRUARY

2 BISHOP BLAISE WOOL MARKET

Go to Bradford Industrial Museum and celebrate all things woolly at this fun event. There will be a wool market with a variety of craftspeople and stallholders, food vendors and entertainment. **bradfordmuseums.org**

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MAKE AND MEND: KNIT AND CROCHET WITH KATIE JONES Over two days, invest in and reinvent old favourites from your wardrobe and give them a new lease of life. Learn a number of techniques such as Swiss darning and steeking, as well as knitting and crochet embroidery techniques to personalise and enhance your own knits.

morleycollege.ac.uk

21-22

TEXTILES EAST FAIR Held in Swavesey Village College, this event aims to provide a dynamic, active platform for textile artists to exhibit and retailers to showcase their beautiful products. Several retailers and exhibitors will even offer "make and take", an opportunity to have a go at a new technique. textileseastfair.wordpress.com



21-23 UNRAVEL

This three-day show has a fantastic curated marketplace with independent vendors and producers in a variety of woollen crafts. craft.farnhammaltings.com

27-MARCH 1 THE STITCH FESTIVAL

The Spring Knitting & Stitching show has a new name and venue. At the Business Design Centre in London there will be hundreds of workshops, demonstrations and fashion exhibitions, as well as 200 amazing exhibitors selling craft supplies. thestitchfestival.co.uk

MARCH

15 CORNWOOLLY

This lovely yarn event is expanding to a larger venue for 2020 and promises to be even bigger and better. Head to Pool in Cornwall to browse a wide array of stalls, pick up craft supplies and seek inspiration. **cornwoolly.co.uk**

19-22 THE CREATIVE CRAFT SHOW

Head to Birmingham to the Creative Craft Show, a haven for knitting, cross stitch, dressmaking and stitching enthusiasts. Exhibitors will offer the latest supplies, ideas and innovations, with everything from yarns and tools to advice from industry experts. stitchandhobby.co.uk

