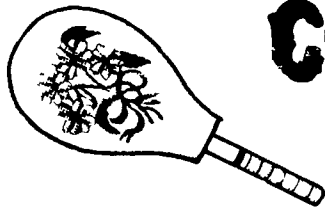


CRAFT CORNER



Sculptural cables & set-in sleeves

Cable-knit patterns, as we know them today, first originated in the coastal fishing towns of Ireland. Where cable designs reminded the villagers of fishing ropes. Since each village developed its own distinctive cable patterns, you could usually tell where a fisherman lived by the sweater he wore.

The yarn used for fishermen's sweaters, like the "Blarneypun" in the Irish wool V-neck shown, by tradition was a rugged textured, unscoured wool. Because of its ability to resist rain and spray,

while remaining warm and dry, unscoured wool yarns have always been ideal for fishermen.

The beauty of the yarns, however, make Irish wool sweaters valuable to anyone with a sense of fashion. Even in high-quality acrylic, cabled sweaters are distinctive.

The cable patterned V-neck shown here is available in a kit, complete with instructions and Bernat wool or acrylic yarns. To order a kit, simply write to the address that follows this column.

To knit the sweater, you'll need

to understand cable knitting. Since you'll also have to attach sleeves, information about setting sleeves into this or any other sweater follows.

Setting a sleeve into a sweater is an important part of the finish. Two different shapes must be fitted together neatly and smoothly, requiring care for best results.

The first step for many sweaters, including this one, is to join the left shoulder seam with a backstitch as described below. Then, knit the neck edge and join the right shoulder seam.

For most sweaters, stitch underarm and sleeve seams at this point. Leave sweater wrong side out. Fold sleeves in half, mark the center of each sleeve top with a pin and turn to right side.

If sleeves need easing, run a thread along the edge and gather. Position sleeves in armholes, matching right side of sleeves to right side of sweater. Match underarm seams and pin. Match center of sleeve to shoulder seam and pin.

Pin sleeves all around, gathering in the extra fullness at the top. Sew sleeves in place with a backstitch seam.

To backstitch seams, thread a blunt-pointed yarn needle with sweater yarn. If your yarn is too heavy, separate the strands.

Fasten yarn in place by making two small stitches on top of one another. Bring needle out slightly in front of the fastening stitches. Bring needle back toward the fastening stitches, insert it beside the last stitch, and bring it out again a little further in front.

Continue the seam by inserting needle back beside the last stitch and out again a little farther in front. Work stitches in a straight line, close to the edges, but far enough away to keep any decrease marks from showing. Make sure all stitches touch and don't pull yarn too tightly.

THE IRISH WOOL SWEATER KIT, containing complete sweater instructions and "Blarneypun" luxury imported 100 percent wool yarns, is available in natural (off-



white), claret heather (red wine), gray flannel, chestnut brown heather, loden green heather, denim blue mist, or barley (tan/white mixture).

Kit W-294: small (8-10) \$42; medium (12-14) \$46; or large (16-18) \$50, plus \$2 postage and handling.

THE BERELLA SWEATER KIT, containing complete sweater instructions and "Berella 4" 4-ply machine washable and dryable acrylic yarn, is available in natural (off-white), claret heather (red wine), oxford gray heather, chestnut brown heather, moss green, denim blue heather, flax (tan/white mixture), sandstone heather (tan), or navy.

Kit A-294: small (8-10) \$12; medium (12-14) \$12; or large (16-

18) \$15, plus \$2 postage and handling.

To order, send kit price plus postage and handling (California residents please add 6½ percent sales tax) to Ellen Appel Crafts, your newspaper's name, Box 1144, Laguna Beach, CA 92652. Specify kit number, size and color.

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charge, they will not be asked to give any "hands on" rescue.

"They will be there to answer any questions and concerns that may come up and to give advice," Gockley said.

One of the dealerships participating in the new program is Binkley and Hurst Bros., Inc., Littiz.

"I think it is a good program," said Amos Hurst, co-owner of the dealership. "It is a part of saving lives and that is the biggest thing." Hurst explained that in the Rothsville Fire Company, of which he is a member, there are many farmers, but some areas do not have farmers in the fire company and that is where the program will be especially important.

There are currently 10 dealers

involved in the program. They are Adamstown Equipment, Inc., Adamstown; Binkley and Hurst Bros., Inc., Littiz; L.H. Brubaker, Inc., Lancaster; A.L. Herr and Brothers, Quarryville, N.G. Hershey and Son, Inc., Manheim, R.S. Hollinger and Son, Inc., Mountville; C.B. Hooper and Son, Inc., Intercourse; Landis Bros., Inc., Lancaster; Messicks, Rheems; and M.M. Weaver and Sons, Inc., Leola.

Each of the above dealers, according to Gockley, is responsible for assisting five to 10 fire companies in their area.

"More dealers would cut the size of their response area down," Gockley explained. For more information on participating in the program, contact Gockley at (717) 733-1095.

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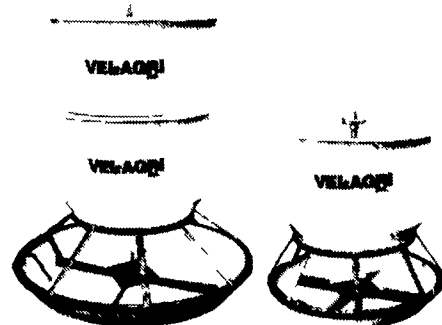
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