



**SOUTH COAST ENVIRONMENT SOCIETY**

# *Crafts*

**Our Earth Crafts Workshop series focuses on our timeless heritage crafts. You will enjoy working with natural materials to inspire you to make your own useful items or for gifts.**

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## RUG MAKING



With rag strips as an introduction to crochet. Learn how to **cut the strips, join the strips**, and use a **simple crochet stitch**. Make a pot holder which can be continued on to make a rug, bag or a bowl. Be inspired by examples of what you can make.

## WOOL FELTING

Learn how to make your own simple piece of flat wool felt that can be used for craft work. This felt can then be cut and sewn for **bags, slippers, craftwork** etc. This handmade felt is also better for needle felting than the commercial product. The **wet method with warm water and soap** will be used.

## PAPER MAKING

Learn the art of recycled papermaking. Then you will make a seed paper greeting card that can then be planted in the garden. Also make **paper with dried flowers** scattered through it, for **cards, envelopes** and **booklets**.



## KNITTING A VERSATILE SQUARE

Learn how to knit a basic square. Then you will learn all the things you can create for your home, family and friends from these squares. Ideas for the many things you can make from these are on a **free handout you can take home**.

## CANDLE MAKING

**Roll, dip, use moulds** and **decorate** - learn the basics of candle making to create that beautiful smell and atmosphere in your house with beeswax. These make a special gift for someone. Learn also where to source the wax and wick.





## FLAX WEAVING

You will learn, hands on, the first basic skills of flax weaving and also learn about the background of this traditional Maori craft.

You will learn how to source and prepare flax and get an **info sheet on some basic things you can make.**

## SEWING



Make an attractive reusable shopping bag. We live in a disposable world so what better than to start your journey to rejuvenation by making your own reusable bag.

Bring your own fabric or we can provide you with some. This workshop will be an **introduction to using a sewing machine.**



## SIMPLE WOODCRAFTS WHITTLING



You will be amazed by the range of things you can make with a sharp knife and a piece of wood. You will be taught safe knife use and then whittle a simple project of your choice from the displayed options.

## SPINNING



This is an introduction to the fundamentals of spinning wool. You will learn where to , how to draw the wool, the , and making creative yarns. Spinning wheels are often found cheap in garage sales.



## MACRAMÉ AROUND AN OBJECT

Come and learn the basic techniques of macramé around a paua shell. These skills can then be used on lots of different objects and can be applied to other macramé projects.

## ABOUT OUR TUTORS

Our tutors have long experience in using these simple skills. They share the ways you can also save money by living more simply.

## DETAILS

Single workshops take one and a half hours; The cost is \$15pp (per workshop). Minimum numbers required to run a workshop. Bookings for groups can be made by arrangement. Please note: a 25% discount applies for community service card holders.

## THANK YOU TO OUR MAIN SUPPORTERS



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