

Supply List for MMKC Junior Class

Machine in good working order (MMKC instructors do not do repairs nor do they have spare parts/tools). A ribber is not needed. If you have a ribber, please leave that at home.
User Manual for your machine
Machine Tools (all tools that came standard with your machine)
Garter Bar (optional)
Scissors
Measuring Tape
Ruler (if you have a Beveled 12 Inch Ruler – 10ths/Metric this is preferred but not necessary) (Optional)
Tapestry Needle, Chibi, <u>or</u> Double Eye Needle
Ravel cord
Spiral Notebook or Composition book for notes
Pen/Pencil
Chair cushion/pad (Optional)
Cover for your machine (overnight – this can be a pillowcase or towel)
Yarn – See Yarn Recommendations
Waste yarn (a contrast color to your main yarn)
Gauge Swatch (MANDATORY – see yarn recommendations for additional details)



Yarn Recommendations:

One of the most challenging aspects of this course is the yarn recommendation list. Based on the gauges of machines and the plethora of yarn available, as long as attendees bring yarn that suits machine gauge and are suitable for the purposes of learning, we can pretty much guarantee success. We've provided a list of yarns currently available but if you have other yarns in your stash and are wondering if they will work, please reach out to us — mmkc.mn@gmail.com.

We do not recommend very fine hard dress yarns or yarns that are fingering weight or lighter. We have watched new knitters struggle with yarns that are too fine, too bulky, or novelty yarns that are difficult. We applied your desire to use whatever you want but for purposes of learning, please follow these guidelines.

Every effort has been made to ensure your success in this program. An accurate gauge swatch is necessary to ensure your finished sweater is your planned size. To get an accurate gauge, you may need to make more than one gauge swatch. See MMKC Articles, Techniques, and Patterns from our Members on the MMKC website for instructions on how to make a gauge swatch, how to calculate a gauge swatch, and how to calculate to ensure you have enough yarn for your project.

The gauge needed for the pattern used in this program is:

- Standard Gauge Machine (4.5 mm) 7 stitches/10 rows per inch
- Mid-Gauge Machine (6.5 or 7.0 mm) 5 stitches/7 rows per inch
- Bulky (9.0 mm) 5 stitches/7 rows per inch

Below are some gauges and example yarns. These are listed as a guide to help you get started. You need to use the gauges provided above.

Standard Gauge Machine (4.5mm)

- Tamm 3-Ply
 - Suggested Tension 7
 - o Gauge 7.5 stitches/11 rows per inch
- Tamm Cancun
 - Suggested Tension 9
 - Gauge 7 stitches/10 rows per inch
- Tamm Sport
 - Suggested Tension 8
 - o Gauge 7.5 stitches/11.5 rows per inch
- Tamm Trenzi
 - Suggested Tension 7
 - o Gauge 7 stitches/10 rows per inch

Mid-Gauge Machine (6.5 or 7 mm)

- Tamm Nordic
 - Suggested Tension 5



- o Gauge 5 stitches/8 rows per inch
- Lion Brand Wool Ease Worsted
 - Suggested Tension 5
 - o Gauge 5 stitches/7 rows per inch
- Malabrigo Rios
 - Suggested Tension 5
 - o Gauge 5.5 stitches/6 rows per inch

Bulky Gauge Machine (9mm)

- Tamm Nordic
 - Suggested Tension 4
 - o Gauge 4 stitches/5 rows per inch
- Lion Wool Ease Worsted
 - Suggested Tension 2
 - Gauge 5 stitches/7 rows per inch
- Malabrigo Worsted
 - Suggested Tension 3
 - o Gauge 5 stitches/6 rows per inch

Other yarns which you may have in your stash (some of these are discontinued but do seem to be part of everyone's yarn stash) and are suitable include:

- <u>Standard</u> Millor Trenzado, Tamm Rayito, Mary Lue's Symphony
- Mid-Gauge Mary Lue's Liberty Plus, Mary Lue's Schuss Plus
- Bulky Mary Lue's Schuss Plus, 2 strands of any of the yarns listed above in the Standard Gauge list.

Light colored yarns work best in a learning environment. How much yarn do you need? This depends on gauge and size of sweater that you are knitting. If you need assistance estimating your yarn needs, please email mmkc.mn@gmail.com and include your telephone number so one of our instructors can call you. **Note:** We strongly suggest yarn decisions and calls be made at least one week prior to class.