

Getting the wool to us

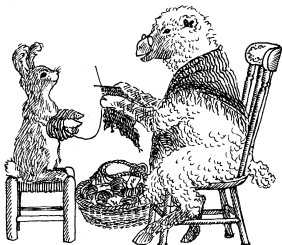
You may drop the wool at the mill, or send it via UPS, USPS or motor freight. Wool is best sent to us in boxes or burlap bags. You may use plastic grain bags provided you use a regular plastic bag inside the grain bag. For sending large amounts you may want to consider cutting a large burlap bag in half; this will hold about 68 lbs for a total of 70 lbs, the maximum weight allowed for UPS shipping. Put a label with your name and address inside the bag as well as outside. If you want the wool washed and/or picked and carded, please weigh the wool and prepay for the service. If you want the wool spun, we require a 50% deposit. Unless arrangements are made for you to pick up the carded fibers or yarn we will notify you of the balance due (including shipping and handling charges) when your lot is completed. We guarantee to return your own wool.

If you wish to bring the wool and have it carded “while you wait”, you must make an appointment. You may be required to assist (i.e. to bag the carded wool).

All visits to the mill are by appointment or chance. (04/06)
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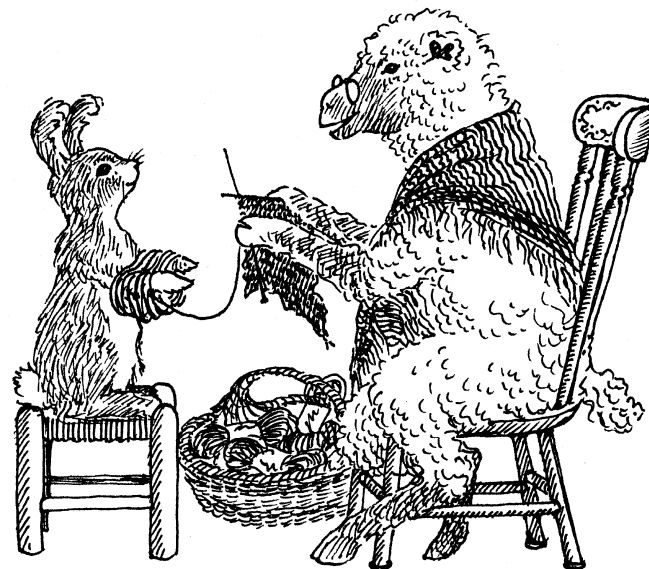
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Fingerlakes Woolen Mill

Custom Processing of Wools and Blends

Prices effective May 1, 2006



We can process your fibers into carded roving, pencil roving or yarn. Our mill has been in operation since 1981 and we have experience processing many types of fibers; our specialty is fine wools and angora blends. Look for Fingerlakes Yarns in retail stores; our yarns speak for themselves! We look forward to working with you.

<http://www.fingerlakes-yarns.com>

Custom Wool Processing

Fingerlakes Woolen Mill provides custom washing, picking, carding and spinning of wool and blends. For picking and thorough blending, the mill uses a 48" precarding picker. Next, a 60" carding machine is used in a process that produces a light continuous web (roving) about 10" wide. A peralta, a set of 1-ton steel rolls, is used to pulverize some of the foreign matter present in the fiber. The card also produces pencil roving which can be used directly or spun on our spinning frame.

Your Raw Wool Washed & Processed into Roving

You can wash your wool prior to sending it to us (see "Instructions for Home Scouring") or we can do it for you. Minimum: 8 lbs per batch, less may be accepted with a \$25 minimum processing payment

8 to 49 lbs	\$5.00/lb
50 lbs & over	\$4.75/lb

For greasy wools (i.e. Rambouillet) add 75¢; Targhee or Merino add \$2.00

Your Washed Wool Processed into Roving

We suggest a minimum of 5 lbs. Remember the smaller the amount, the larger the percentage of waste. With a 60" carder small amounts can disappear. If you have less than 5 lbs we suggest a hand operated drum carder. Note: the wool you send us must not feel at all tacky or greasy.

Under 5 lbs	\$20 minimum processing payment
5 to 49 lbs	\$4.00/lb
50 to 100 lbs	\$3.75/lb
over 100 lbs	\$3.30/lb

Your Raw Wool Washed & Picked

If you want to card the wool yourself, or if your wool is too long (over 5" on the average) to be carded, this is a nice option. This is a good option for 100% mohair.

5 lbs min. per batch	\$4.00/lb
5 lbs min. mohair	\$6.00/lb

Your Raw Wool or Mohair Blends

We can provide silk, wool and nylon for blending with wool or mohair (call for prices), or you may send us yours. Other possible blends available. Min. 8 lbs/batch.

50% mohair (max)	\$7.00/lb
others (min. 50% wool)	\$5.50/lb (call for 50% wool or less)

Your Washed 50% + Wool Blends into Roving

No mohair please. All mohair must be washed at the mill.

Min. 5 lbs/batch	\$5.00/lb
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Custom Carding or Wool Into Pencil Roving

(pencil roving may be used directly for hand or machine knitting)

- A. Includes washing, picking & carding – Min. 75 lbs of raw wool:
\$12.00 per lb of finished pencil roving
add \$2.00 for Rambouillet; \$4.00 for Merino or Mohair/wool
- B. Includes picking & carding – Min. 55 lbs of washed wool:
\$9.50 per lb of finished pencil roving

Custom Spinning – 100% Wool

- A. Includes washing, picking, carding, spinning & skeining – Min. 75 lbs of raw wool:
\$15.50 per lb of finished yarn
\$1.00 extra per lb for 2-ply or 3-ply
add \$2.00 for Rambouillet; \$4.00 for Merino or Mohair/wool
- B. Includes picking, carding, spinning & skeining – Min. 55 lbs of washed wool:
\$11.50 per lb of finished yarn
\$1.00 extra per lb for 2-ply or 3-ply

Note: there are surcharges on single yardage higher than 3,000 yards per pound.

Wool Blends:

Up to 25% mohair or 30% angora or silk; same charge as above plus \$2.50 per finished pound on the percent of the blend that is not wool.

Up to 40% angora or silk; add \$6.50 per finished pound on the percent of the blend which is not wool. Call for prices on other blends of fibers.

Yarn choices: (these are examples, other weights are available)

Single	Approx. 2,200 yds/lb	
2-ply	Approx. 1,250 yds/lb	(Sports weight/light worsted)
1-ply Double Twist	Approx. 1,250 yds/lb	(Sports weight)
3-ply	Approx. 840 yds/lb	(Worsted weight)
2-ply Double Twist	Approx. 650 yds/lb	(Heavy worsted weight, Bulky)

Requirements

Wool staple must be at least 2" and no longer than 5". The wool must be free of moths, moth damage, manure tags and heavy matts. It should be as free as possible from burrs, hay chaff and second cuts. We will not work with unskirted fleece. We are not responsible for pilling in the wool that occurs during carding due to weak or damaged wool.

Instructions for Home Scouring

Skirt your fleeces by removing the belly wool, any manure tags, matts, burs and chaffy wool. Fill a tub with hot water (min. 120°F, 150°F if possible). Add about 1 cup of **detergent** for 8-12lbs of wool (here we use "Joy"). Submerge fibers. Let soak. Do not agitate. Rinse wool at least twice using water of approximately the same temperature. Wash twice if in doubt. Squeeze or wring the fibers to remove the water. Dry on screens or racks. Fibers must not feel tacky or slippery when dry.