

Course Information Sheet

Family Felt Making Workshop



Course Summary:

Join our 2-hour Felt Making Workshop! Discover basic wet felting techniques and create a unique felt piece. Learn wool fiber preparation, layering, and shaping. Use water, soap, and friction to create felt. Hands-on activities and feedback ensure an engaging experience. Ideal for hobbyists, aspiring textile artists, volunteers, and carers. Potential progression includes textile art courses, advanced felting workshops, and community arts roles. Enhance skills for home-based crafts businesses or leading creative activities. Create your own felted art!

Course Description:

Join us for a hands-on Felt Making Workshop and explore the ancient art of transforming wool fibers into felt. This workshop provides a relaxing and creative environment to learn the fundamental techniques of wet felting. You'll work with colorful wool fibers, water, and soap to create a unique felt piece. Whether you're a beginner or have some crafting experience, you'll enjoy the sensory experience and leave with a beautiful, handmade creation.

What will I learn?

- Wool Fiber Preparation:
 - Understanding different types of wool fibers and their properties.
 - Learning how to lay out wool fibers for felting.
 - Exploring color blending and layering techniques.
- Wet Felting Techniques:
 - Using water, soap, and friction to create felt.
 - Learning how to control the felting process.
 - Shaping and fulling the felt.

- Design and Embellishment:
 - Incorporating different textures and patterns.
 - Adding embellishments and decorative elements.
 - Finishing and drying techniques.

How will I be assessed?

- Formative Assessment:
 - Observation of participation and technique during the workshop.
 - Individual feedback and guidance from the instructor.
 - Interactive discussions and demonstrations.
- Summative Assessment:
 - Completion of a personal felt piece.
 - Self-reflection on the creative process and felting techniques.

Progression Opportunities:

- Further courses in felt making and textile arts.
- Workshops on advanced felt making techniques (e.g., nuno felting, needle felting).
- Courses in arts and crafts business development.
- Courses in leading creative activities.

Career or Job Enhancement Pathways:

- Textile arts facilitator or assistant.
- Home-based crafts business focused on felted items.
- Arts and crafts activities for care home or volunteer work.
- Costume or prop making volunteer or worker.

How do I enrol?

The quickest way to enrol is online at www.oucoursesouthwest.co.uk, simply create an account and select 'Enrol now'. Alternatively, if you have any questions, please call our friendly customer service team on 01752 660713.

How will the course be delivered?

This is a practical course, and the sessions will include tutor-led demonstrations, learner-led group activities, instruction and repetition. These will form part of the delivery together with one-to-one support as required.

Will I need to practise outside the classroom?

You will be encouraged to review your notes between lessons to ensure maximum benefit from your course. It is always useful to practise your skills between sessions. Your tutor may encourage home learning, or independent research.

How will I know I'm making progress?

During the first session, your tutor will discuss your goals and current level in relation to the course. Based on this assessment, you will agree individual targets which you will record in your individual learning plan (ILP). You and your tutor will review your targets regularly to ensure that you are making progress; these will be written in your individual learning plan.

What will I need?

Please bring a notepad, and pen to each session. You may wish to bring a file for any handouts. A laptop with internet access is required for completion of coursework and home learning outside of the classroom.

Please note:

Most courses attract a subsidy from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is a requirement of the ESFA that you complete various forms at different stages of your course, further information is available on request. Courses are subject to a minimum number of enrolments and could be cancelled if recruitment is low. In some cases, an alternative class at a different location may be offered.

Terms and conditions are available at

<https://www.oucoursesouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner>

Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.

