

THE WOOL CLIP

For all things Woollen

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Dear Wool-Lover

It's beginning to feel a lot like Autumn in Cumbria. As the seasons change, we know thoughts will be turning to nights of knitting and wearing wool for walks so we wanted to share news of a few of our current creations as well as an exhibition coming up at Rheged that we think you'll love.

First, some autumnal colour and inspiration.



The detail of [Debbie Lucas](#)'s eco-printed wool stole is probably one of the most Autumnal items in the Caldbeck shop at the moment. There's a range of Debbie's work for sale at present, from framed images to needle cases as she aims to use every last scrap of her beautiful fabrics.

[Tracey Todhunter](#)'s crocheted clothing and kits are popular buys and she made this granny square bunting for the shop over the summer. It's a great example of how a traditional technique, with an added eye for colour combinations, can make something a bit different.

The final picture shows a small selection of woven textures in the current range of scarves from [Jan Beadle](#). Anyone who follows Jan on social media will know that colour is key for her too and there are plenty of Autumnal shades and tones in her current shop display.



We've plenty of gift ideas in the shop too and these three seem nicely representative. First, a knitting kit for a Swirly Hat, created by [Alice Underwood](#) using Shetland wool. There are two colourways, a green plus marl and a russet plus marl, named Spring and Autumn.

As well as kits, we've unusual notions and tools such as these stitch markers. [Jean Wildish](#) makes these using glass beads or sea glass so each set is unique.

And, for the beer drinker who has everything, [Chloe Randall](#)'s beer mitten would make a great gift - it has definitely been making customers at The Wool Clip smile over the summer.

All of these are available in the Caldbeck shop and there's a wide selection of each co-operative member's items in [our online shop](#) too. You can find out more about us and our work on [our website](#) or social media (Facebook and Instagram). Please get in touch if you've any queries. There's a member of our co-operative in the shop every Tuesday to Sunday (usually closed on Mondays) from 11am to 4pm and we love to meet fellow wool-lovers.

Best wishes,
The Wool Clip

PS The exhibition that we mentioned opens on Friday, 13th September. Entitled [Native Spirit - The Herdwick](#), it is built around a collection of photographs from Ian Lawson's new book, **The Lake District: Herdwick**. This follows several Herdwick flocks through the seasons and, like Ian's earlier work on Harris Tweed, really celebrates wool, native breeds and landscapes. Not to be missed, the exhibition is open until **Sunday 24 November** in [The Gallery at Rheged](#) on the A66, just off Junction 40 of the M6 near Penrith.