



Smithsonian Associates

BEGINNING TAPESTRY WEAVING

with Tea Okropiridze

***See Last page for an image of a finished class project.**

Materials and supplies needed:

- Tapestry frame loom
- Weaving Yarn (preferably wool worsted-weight)
- Warping Thread - 8-4 cotton rug warp
- Pencil/Eraser
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Large heavy fork or tapestry beat
- About 20" long X 2"-3" wide cardboard
- About 20" long X 1'-1.5" wood stick / sheading device
- Large tapestry/repair needle
- Dowel or hanging rod for finished tapestry (optional)

Tapestry Loom:

<https://www.glimakrausa.com/freja-tapestry-framefreja-regular194-g>

<https://woolery.com/glimakra-freja-tapestry-loom.html>

https://www.etsy.com/listing/664990880/glimakra-tapestry-freja-loom-3-sizes-you?ga_order=most_relevant&ga_search_type=all&ga_view_type=gallery&ga_search_query=Glimakra+Tapestry+Freja+Loom&ref=sr_gallery-1-1&sts=1&content_source=c77dd4989fff3eb450769fc8fc1c06772375ec63%253A664990880&search_preloded_img=1&organic_search_click=1&variation0=1030522257

***Loom needs to be assembled and ready to before the class**

Weft (weaving yarn):

4 or more colors of your choice, at list one should be contrasting color.

<https://woolery.com/harrisville-highland-wool-yarn.html>

https://harrisville.com/products/highland-cone?fbclid=IwAR3STp8cWQO1j71gzHTlfXAPb9FZ40VGWwzAsOV_6u70YrVDFNgc-ms-P-s

You could also get any worsted-weight, preferably wool yarn.

Cotton Warping Thread:

<https://woolery.com/tapestry-loom-warping-thread.html>

<https://woolery.com/maysville-8-4-cotton-rug-warp-yarn.html>

<https://halcyonyarn.com/yarn/060/cotton-carpet-warp-84>

*Any color could work, but I will recommend purchasing light/natural color, its easy on your eyes.

Tapestry Beater:

<https://woolery.com/navajo-weaving-fork.html?refSrc=52377&nosto=nosto-page-product1>
1.5" or 2"

<https://woolery.com/leclerc-comb-light.html>

<https://woolery.com/ashford-tapestry-beater.html>

Alternatively, the biggest and heaviest fork for beating.
Preferably old-fashioned heavy fork Sterling Silver or similar. (I personally use fork)

Tapestry needle:

<https://woolery.com/chibi-tapestry-needle-set.html>

