



# Smithsonian Associates

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## Beginning Tapestry Weaving

with Tea Okropiridze

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

### SUPPLY LIST

- 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\\_preloaded\\_img=1&organic\\_search\\_click=1&variation0=1030522257](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_preloaded_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](https://harrisville.com/products/highland-cone?fbclid=IwAR3STp8cWQO1j71gzhTlfXAPb9FZ40VGWwzAsOV_6u70YrVDFNgc-ms-P-s)
- You could also get any worsted-weight, preferably wool yarn

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### 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>

