

FLOCKED OFF 2024

A collective enterprise.

In collaboration with the Natural Fibre Company we are offering the chance to produce very small quantities of sustainable and ecofriendly woven blankets.

The Bristol Weaving Mill is a micro-mill based in the heart of Bristol UK offering a no-boundaries approach to the design, sampling, and manufacture of woven fabrics and soft accessories.

THE PROJECT

Many of our clients end up with left over yarns or have yarn quantities that aren't enough to fulfil minimum orders for production. This led us to look at ways that we could produce products as a collective – negating issues around minimum orders.

The Natural Fibre Company is now producing a woollen spun yarn using bobbin waste that is high quality and sustainable, which led us to the idea of using this yarn as a base (the warp yarn) and then letting clients supply their own yarns for the weft. This means that each client can have a very small number of blankets produced with a composition of roughly 50% of their own yarn and 50% of The Natural Fibre Company's "Flocked Off" yarn.

THE PROCESS

We are hoping to bring on board enough people to make up a 100 -200 metre run. The collaborative element to the project is that the more people there are ordering from the run, the better the price for each blanket. So if we can all spread the word and bring people in, the lower the cost for everyone!

We will be offering two different cloth patterns with potential for stripes. Lots of fibres are possible for the weft so if you have wool, alpaca or mohair then these would all work well. We can also supply other yarn if you'd like to be involved but don't already have your own. If you have other types of fibre then get in touch.

We will have some samples available to give an idea of fabric quality using the flocked off warp but there will be an element of surprise as any accepted weft yarn will behave differently!

For more information get in touch!

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