

# May Program Natural Dyeing by Donna Brown

Donna Brown is a fiber artist with degrees in Textile Chemistry, and Clothing and Textiles, and she will be presenting a program on natural dyeing.

A natural dye expert and teacher of natural dyeing and artcloth; she is Natural Dye sales representative and ongoing natural dye instructor for Table Rock Llamas and Fiber Arts Studio, in Black Forest Colorado. She is also the natural dye instructor Shuttle, Spindles, and Skeins in Boulder, Colorado. Teaching across the United States in venues such as Penland School of Craft, John C. Campbell Folk School, fiber festivals including the Estes Park Wool festival, 2003 Surface Design Association conference, 2002 Color Congress, she loves to share her knowledge and passion for natural dyes. [From Table Rock Llamas website, used with permission]

## **DYEING TO KNIT AND WEAVE WORKSHOPS**

Instructor: Donna Brown

Friday, **May 20, 2011** or Saturday, **May 21, 2011**, Time: 10 - 5

At: Table Rock Llama Fiber Arts Studio

Maximum class size\*: 10

Fee: \$70 - this amount includes Donna's instructional fee and yarn preparation and the materials fee for dyes and handouts

### **Signup Deadline: May 3, 2011**

Natural dye extracts are increasing becoming popular due to their safety, ease of use, and environmentally friendly characteristics. Because extracts completely dissolve in water they are perfect for knitting, weaving, and warp painting projects. Learn about the extracts while coloring yarn for your next fiber projects. Any protein (silk & wool) or cellulose (cotton, rayon, tencel) natural fiber yarn can be used. Prior to the workshop you will prepare your yarn to dye ( up to 3 lbs.) - for knitting making skeins and for weaving measuring warp chains or skeins for weft yarns and then washing/and or scouring the yarn. This workshop covers different methods of natural dyeing; immersion methods for solid or variegated yarn and painting yarns for variegated color. A mordanting step is necessary in order to natural dye. Donna will get the yarns for the workshop on May 13<sup>th</sup> after the PPWG program and mordant them for the two workshops on May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. This will be a fun filled day exploring nature's color wheel.

### **WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM: Dyeing to Knit and Weave**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred date: Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

Send registration form and check made out to Donna Brown to:

Donna Brown, 9586 W Victoria Drive, Littleton, CO 80128; 303-933-2058; [dbrown50@comcast.net](mailto:dbrown50@comcast.net)

To register for this workshop you must send full payment at the time of registration. A cancellation refund will be made only if we can fill your space. Signup Deadline is May 3, 2011