

Major Workshop: March 30-April 1, 2010

Silk Spinning With Celia Quinn



Immerse yourself in luxurious silk, as we spin many forms of the fiber from smooth and lustrous top, and the exotic blends with other fibers, to the extremely long caps and hankies, as well as the textured carded silks, and the shortest form, silk noil. Expand cocoons to make squares of silk called Mawata, traditionally used for batting in Japan. Dye silk caps and hankies for different color effects. Experience the wonder of reeling a sheer thread from cocoons. Lectures include fiber properties, sericulture, care of silk, and spider silk.

We will begin our exploration into silk spinning with Celia Quinn at Table Rock Llamas where we will jump into dyeing silk caps and hankies (spinning this day too). The next two days will find spinning us at the beautiful Penrose House nestled at the base of Cheyenne Mountain. Three full days of silk fiber luxury.

The workshop is scheduled for March 30, 31, and April 1, 2010. The estimated cost for the workshop is \$165 plus \$30-materials fee. We are limited to 20 people in this workshop and a \$60 deposit will hold your spot. Please contact Heidi Bates (babyweave@msn.com).

Celia has taught workshops extensively across the U.S. since 1983. She knits, weaves and crochets, with an emphasis on garments and household textiles. She has spun everything from rope to sub-sewing thread, and still holds Spin-Off Magazine's fine spinning record for cotton, at approximately 83,000 yards per pound. Her thoughts on spinning can be found in many back issues of Spin-Off. She calls Alaska home.

