



We live on a smallholding in the West Country with Cutlet our sheep. I have been crafting for as long as I can remember, my inspiration was my grandma she was my world and taught me everything I know and do. I now do demonstrations and courses to try and keep crafting alive. My husband makes the peglooms that I use and sell. Crafts I do:-

- Extreme knitting is being able to knit with multiples of yarn.
- Pegloom weaving is one of the simplest forms of weaving.
- Nuno Felting is applying felting fibres to silk or cotton
- Sewing

What products do you make?

We make peglooms , extreme knitted garments and home wares, nuno felted scarves and shawls, I sew some items, all our crafts are practical and affordable.

What did you do before you started making things / set up a new business?

I have been crafting for as long as I can remember but set up a small online shop a year ago to increase income on our smallholding. I have worked in IT and Telecoms for many years.

What made you decide to start / change direction / your turning point?

About a year ago I lost my job due to recession and stepped up my crafting to try and have an income to survive on. A few months later my husband also lost his job as well so I had to return to work that was not so high pressured so that I could continue crafting and doing craft fairs.

What is the most unexpected benefit you have gained from doing this?

I have met the most amazing people during this time and have been able to develop my own skills with the inspiration around me.

What words of wisdom or lesson would you pass onto other people?

Listen to your heart and follow your own path. Gain knowledge from those around and don't let that knowledge die.