



Create a Braided Rag Rug

Sun 14 August, 2022 - 10am-4.00pm

List of what to bring to the workshop

1. A drink and some snacks to keep you going (the Hub suggests you bring your lunch!)
2. Fabric Scissors
3. A Clipboard (or a magazine and large bulldog clip) to anchor your braiding.
4. Slender Crochet hook (approx size 3ml) or a handful of small safety pins.
5. If you have examples of recycled rag rugs in your possession, or pictures, bring them along for show & tell!
- ... and most importantly,
6. Clean, worn out cloth you would like to cut into rags for your rug samples*

*Don't cut your rags beforehand. We'll talk about appropriate widths in relation to different fabrics etc as part of the workshop.

Tightly woven, medium-weight cloth that won't fray excessively is recommended, such as worn out clothing, sheets, tablecloths or curtains. Denim is fine, but extremely thick or stiff fabric such as canvas is tricky to work with. Terry towelling isn't recommended as the pile sheds. If in doubt, bring everything you have and we'll use what works.

Colour - plays a large part in rug design. It can help to have at least a couple of different colours, textures or patterns in your first rug, as this can help you see where you're up to while weaving.

Quantity - a couple of shirts, or the equivalent amount of cloth is enough to bring along to the workshop, but you might like more colours to work with. (Most people's work by the end of the first day is about the size of a bread & butter plate. The completed size is up to you, and could range from a small mat to a room-sized rug. You'll have all the skills you need to finish off the rug from this workshop.)

Happy rag collecting!