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**OPEN: 9-5 Monday thru Friday
9-12 Saturday**

At The Shepherd's Mill we continually strive to give you the best possible product. We have in the last year, experienced more difficulty with fine dust in the mill due to areas of continued drought. Fine dust combines with the minimal amount of conditioner we use and accumulates back on the fibers during processing. We know that the yarns leaving the mill are not as clean as we would like them to be. We do wash all fiber coming into the mill; but to be able to keep from increasing our prices, we have opted not to add the additional washing of all skeins that leave the mill. Therefore, we recommend that all yarns be washed after processing. We can for an additional charge wash your skeins before they leave the mill; however, the process is not difficult and we have listed instructions below. Washing yarn does cause a delay in the normal processing time of fiber at The Shepherd's Mill. If you have questions or concerns please contact us.

Directions for Washing:

Use a slightly acidic soap with some grease cutting properties. Dawn dish washing liquid works well. Other products specifically marketed for natural fibers work as well.

Hand Washing Instructions:

Fill sink or bathtub with warm water. Add dish washing liquid or soap of choice. Untwist skeins and secure by tying or by placing in lingerie bags. Lay skeins in water, gently pressing and gently squeezing to help soak skeins more quickly. Allow to soak for 15 to 20 minutes. Lift skeins from water gently squeeze to release excess moisture. **DO NOT WRING. DO NOT EXCESSIVELY AGITATE.** Lay skeins aside drain sink and refill with warm water. **DO NOT RINSE IN COLD WATER USE THE SAME TEMPERATURE AS BEFORE.** Allow to soak 15 to 20 minutes. Carefully remove skeins and lay out on drying rack or around the house to dry.

Washing Machine Method:

(Only works with machines that can be stopped in between cycles)

Fill washing machine with warm water and add soap. Untwist skeins and secure by tying skeins together or by placing in lingerie bags. Gently lay skeins in water in washing machine tub and push down gently several times. **DO NOT ALLOW WASHING MACHINE TO AGITATE.** Allow skeins to sit in water for 15 or 20 minutes. Turn washing machine cycle to spin only. **DO NOT ALLOW WASHING MACHINE TO AGITATE!** Use spin cycle to empty tub and spin out excess water. Gently remove skeins from washing machine and refill washer with same temperature water. **DO NOT RINSE IN COLD WATER. DO NOT FILL WASHER WITH SKEINS IN TUB.** Use rinse product if desired. Once washer is full return skeins to water push down repeatedly. Allow to soak 15 or 20 minutes. Again turn washer to spin only cycle. **DO NOT AGITATE.** Allow tub to drain and excess water to spin out. Carefully remove skeins and lay out on drying rack or around the house to dry.