KnitLeaks

Guide to BARCELONA KNITS 2023



INTRO

Welcome to Barcelona Knits - the ultimate yarn festival in Barcelona, where wool and knitting enthusiasts come together to celebrate their passion! To help you have a relaxed and enjoyable trip, we've put together this online booklet with everything you need to know to make the most of your weekend with us.

We can't wait to see you there!

MEET THE TEAM

Barcelona Knits is organized by three makers and wool lovers.

"We've united our experience, knowledge, and love for threads to organize the first specialized wool fair in Barcelona."

<u>Anna Chao</u> <u>Eva Rodríguez</u> <u>Kiara Bonini</u>

SPONSORS

We greatly appreciate the vital role that the sponsors of Barcelona Knits play in ensuring the success of this wool fair. Their support is essential in making this event possible.

<u>Casasol</u> <u>Katia</u> <u>Kremke Soul Wool</u> <u>Limol</u> <u>Pascuali Filati Naturali</u> <u>Rosários4</u> We are Knitters

ABOUT KNITLEAKS

KnitLeaks is a portal that brings readers the latest in fiber-related news, trends, design, and content. It's a place for fiber brands and designers to connect with yarn lovers around the world.

KnitLeaks was founded by **Nara Takeda (@knit.nara.knit)**, who immersed herself in the world of yarn, knitting, and crochet during the pandemic. Nara's passion for the community led to her becoming a fiber creator and reporter. KnitLeaks is the result of her hard work in the industry and her drive to cover the community's most important events and content.

While @knit.nara.knit was a solo project, KnitLeaks is made up of a team of writers and contributors, as well as a network of influencers and collaborators.



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CHAPTER 1

IMPORTANT INFORMATION For your arrival in Barcelona

ARRIVAL

Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat Airport is the main gateway to the vibrant city of Barcelona and is located just 12 kilometers southwest of the city center. It's one of the busiest airports in Europe, but don't worry, we've got you covered!

The airport has two terminals, Terminal 1 (T1) and Terminal 2 (T2), which are connected by a convenient shuttle bus service that runs regularly. Getting to the city center is also a breeze thanks to reliable public transportation options, including trains, buses, and taxis.

When you arrive, be sure to take the Aerobus, the popular shuttle bus service that'll take you directly to Plaza de Catalunya, a central square in Barcelona. The journey usually takes around 35 minutes, depending on traffic conditions.

To ensure your trip is as smooth and stress-free as possible, we recommend checking **the airport's official website** or contacting your airline for the latest information on flight schedules, terminal assignments, and any specific travel requirements or restrictions.

FESTIVAL VENUE

The World Trade Center Barcelona is a prominent complex strategically located in the Port of Barcelona. It provides easy access to transportation networks and international trade routes.

WORLD TRADE CENTER BARCELONA MAP

There are several options to reach the World Trade Center Barcelona:

Public Transportation: The venue is well connected to the city's public transportation system. You can take the metro or bus to reach the World Trade Center. The closest metro station is Drassanes (Line 3). From there, it's just a short walk to the venue. Bus lines D20, H14, and V13 also stop near the World Trade Center.

Taxi and private car services: If you prefer, you can easily take a taxi or private car service to the World Trade Center.



TRANSPORTATION AND LEISURE IN BARCELONA

Barcelona Knits empowers participants to explore the beauty of Barcelona through our exclusive **Hola Barcelona Travel Card and Barcelona Express Card**.

HOLA BARCELONA TRAVEL CARD

This card provides unlimited public transportation for two (48 h), three (72 h), four (96 h), or five consecutive days (120 h) after validation.

To collect your **Hola Barcelona Travel Card**, please visit one of the Tourist Offices listed on the next page with a printed copy of your entry ticket (which will be kept by the staff) and a supporting document with the ticket holder's name.



TOURIST OFFICES

AIRPORT, TERMINAL T1:

Barcelona Airport Monday to Friday: from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

AIRPORT, TERMINAL T2:

Barcelona Airport Monday to Saturday: from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sundays, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

PL. CATALUNYA:

Plaça de Catalunya, 17-S. Daily: from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

PL. CATALUNYA: Red information booth, in front of Corte Inglés Daily: from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

SAGRADA FAMILIA:

Tourist information booth Daily: from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

PL. ESPANYA: Plaça Espanya, s/n – Avinguda Maria Cristina Daily: from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Closed: 1/1 and 25/12.

MIRADOR DE COLÓN:

Plaça Portal de la Pau, s/n Daily: from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Closed: 1/1 and 25/12.



BARCELONA CARD EXPRESS

Discover many of Barcelona's cultural and leisure activities for free or at a reduced price with the **Barcelona Card**.

The card includes free public transportation for 48 hours, unlimited access to the metro, buses, Generalitat de Catalunya-FGC trains, trams, and even the train and/or metro to Barcelona airport. It not only saves you time and money on transportation but also offers free or discounted access to major museums, attractions, visits, tours, leisure activities, shows, special transport, and other services in Barcelona.



With the Barcelona Card Express, you can easily explore Barcelona's various attractions, including the Barcelona Knits event, and enjoy hassle-free travel during your stay in the city. GUIDE TO BARCELONA KNITS

ALL THINGS BARCELONA KNITS

TIMETABLE AND TICKETS

Saturday, November 18th from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, November 19th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This year, there are four types of tickets available for the Barcelona Knits Festival: Saturday, Sunday, Sunday (with reduced hours from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.), and the weekend pass.

You can purchase tickets in advance or directly at the box office on the day and time of the festival. Just a heads up, there might be some queues for those who buy tickets on-site. It's important to note that having a pre-sale ticket doesn't give you priority access, it's simply a discounted ticket.

To enter the festival, you must exchange your tickets for a personal and non-transferable wristband. You can collect your wristband on Friday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at **Lalanalú** (c/ Martínez de la Rosa, 71) or at the box office on the day of the festival.

When you collect your wristband, the festival staff will put it on for you, and you need to keep it on for the duration of the event. Just a friendly reminder that you're not allowed to collect someone else's wristband.

All workshops include entry to the festival on the day of the workshop, except for Stephen West's virtual conference.

EVENTS Welcome to the cast on party!

The Cast On Party, the exciting event that kicks off Barcelona Knits 2023, is already sold out!

We'll cast on for the <u>Tile hat</u>, the featured pattern for this edition by <u>Sònia Torner</u>. She and the team from <u>El Robledal de la Santa</u>, the dyers of the original wool, will be joining us. Nara from <u>KnitLeaks</u> will interview them online, revealing the secrets behind their creations.

The event will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at **Loft de Gracia** (c/ de Montmany, 30). The nearest metro station is L4 Joanic, and the venue has a bar where you can buy drinks like water, soft drinks, and beer.

To attend the Cast On Party, reserve your spot and exchange your Barcelona Knits advance ticket for a non-transferable wristband. Pick up your wristband on Friday at **Lalanalú** (c/ Martínez de la Rosa, 71) from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. To collect your wristband, either present your printed ticket or the QR code on your mobile device. The wristband will only be given to the ticket holder in person.

To enjoy the party, bring your project bag, needles, crochet hooks, and DK yarn. That's all you need to kick off the wool party in style!

EVENTS TAPAS & YARNS

Tapas & Yarns night will be on Saturday, November 18th, from 8:00 to 10:30 p.m. at the **WTC Barcelona**. This extraordinary evening will feature exhibitors, workshops, sponsors, and a sit-down dinner. The event is already sold out.

Relax and enjoy a glass of DO wine while sharing your thoughts and experiences with fellow knitters at your table. GreenVita has prepared an exceptional dinner with tapas to share, a delicious main course, and a delightful dessert. Vegetarian options are available, and an open bar is included.

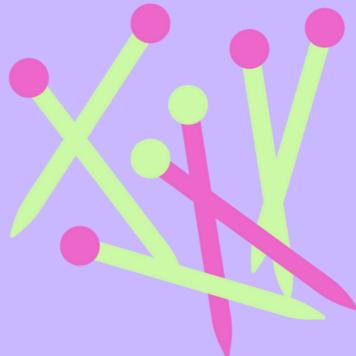
The fabulous Drag Queen, **<u>Platanito Bello</u>**, will entertain us throughout the night, and after dinner, a reserved area will turn into a dance floor. End the first day of Barcelona Knits in style with Platanito, glamour, vintage vibes, and laughter!



EXHIBITORS

Barcelona Knits is a beautiful event that brings together a diverse range of exhibitors, including wool producers who showcase their latest yarns, small artisans who exhibit their exquisite knitting accessories, indie dyers who display their unique hand-dyed yarns, and prestigious designers who present their latest creations. Additionally, accessory designers for knitters and publishers who feature the latest knitting patterns and books will also be present at the event.

At Barcelona Knits, visitors can explore various handmade products crafted with love and care, including knitting tools, accessories, and beautifully designed garments. Barcelona Knits has something for everyone, whether you're an experienced knitter or just starting out. It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with fellow knitting enthusiasts, find inspiration, and stay up-to-date with the latest trends in the knitting world.

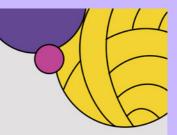




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WORKSHOPS

Improve your skills with the **<u>knitting and crochet workshops</u>** taught by first-class designers at Barcelona Knits.

THURSDAY, NOV 16, 8 - 9:15 P.M. CEST

STEPHEN WEST

VIDEOCONFERENCE: WOOLLY WORLD OF WESTKNITS LIVE!

Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate to advanced Language: English Online

SATURDAY, NOV 18, 9 A.M. - 12 P.M. CEST

LINDA MARVENG

CABLE KNITTING MASTERCLASS

Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate to advanced Language: English

LOUIS BORIA

DESIGNING YOUR OWN HAT

Technique: Knitting Level: All levels Language: English (Louis will bring a translator)

JAMES NOLAN WATTS

MODULAR /JOIN AS YOU GO KNITTING TECHNIQUE

Technique: Knitting Level: All levels Language: English

JANDI GARDIAZABAL

LEARN THE JACQUARD TECHNIQUE Technique: Knitting Level: Beginners Language: Spanish

SATURDAY, NOV 18, 1 - 4 P.M. CEST

ROSSO CARDINALE

DRAWING AND BLENDING WITH EMBROIDERY ON WOOL

Technique: Embroidery on knitting Level: All levels Language: English

VANESSA PELLISA

SHORT ADVENTURES Technique: Knitting Level: All levels Language: Spanish

SANTA PAZIENZIA

HOW TO CROCHET A SHAWL USING SHORT ROWS Technique: Crochet

Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

ANNA HUSEMANN

INTARSIA INTRODUCTION

Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate to advanced Language: English

SATURDAY, NOV 18, 5 - 8 P.M. CEST

JAMES NOLAN WATTS

INTRODUCTION TO LACE KNITTING

Technique: Knitting Level: All levels Language: English

LAURA ALGARRA

INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND SIZING FOR CROCHET GARMENTS Technique: Crochet Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

LOUIS BORIA

ASYMMETRICAL SHAWL DESIGN WITH TEXTURES Technique: Knitting

Level: All levels Language: English (Louis will bring a translator)

LUCÍA RUIZ DE AGUIRRE HOW TO KNIT YOUR FIRST SWEATER

Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

SUNDAY, NOV 19, 9 A.M. - 12 P.M. CEST

ROSSO CARDINALE

3D EMBROIDERY ON WOOL: WILD FLOWERS

Technique: Embroidery on knitting Level: All levels Language: English

JANDI GARDIAZABAL

DESIGN YOUR FIRST JACQUARD FABRIC Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

LAURA ALGARRA

DETAILS AND PROFESSIONAL FINISH IN CROCHET CARDIGANS Technique: Crochet Level: Advanced Language: Spanish

ANNA HUSEMANN

CREATING TEXTURES Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate to advanced Language: English

SUNDAY, NOV 19, 1 - 4 P.M. CEST

LINDA MARVENG

PROFESSIONAL FINISHING

Technique: Knitting Level: All levels Language: English

VANESSA PELLISA

INTRODUCTION TO DOUBLE KNITTING Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

SANTA PAZIENZIA

HOW TO KNIT A CROCHET SHAWL USING SHORT ROWS Technique: Crochet Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

LUCÍA RUIZ DE AGUIRRE

ASYMMETRIC TRIANGULAR SHAWL DESIGNS Technique: Knitting Level: Intermediate Language: Spanish

ACTIVITIES

At Barcelona Knits, you can participate in talks for free but don't forget to **book a spot online**. These talks provide a platform to learn about the latest trends and products from leading sponsors and industry professionals.

SATURDAY, NOV 18

10:30 - 11:30

DESCUBRE UN MUNDO DE LANAS EXQUISITAS Y ECOLÓGICAS by Pascuali and Cecilia Losada (@mammadiypatterns) in Spanish

12:00 - 1:00

EXPERIMENTA CON LOS COLORES PARA CREAR TU PROPIO DEGRADADO CON GRADIENT by Casasol in Spanish

1:30 - 2:30

TEJIENDO CONCIENCIA: CÓMO TEJER AYUDA A CULTIVAR LA ATENCIÓN PLENA Y MEJORAR TU CALIDAD DE VIDA by Karina Morales (@lacasadelmindfulness) in Spanish

3:30 - 4:30

¡DESCUBRE LAS ÚLTIMAS TENDENCIAS Y NUEVA COLECCIÓN CONCEPT DE ESTE OTOÑO-INVIERNO 23-24! by **Katia in Spanish**

5:00 - 6:00

RENDAS POR MÚSICA. ¡DEJA QUE LA MÚSICA TE GUÍE! by **Rosários 4** in **Spanish**

6:30 - 7:30

UNA TINTORERA NO NACE, SE HACE by Marga Aparicio (@gretaandthefibers) in Spanish

SUNDAY, NOV 19

10:30 - 11:30

MAKING CONVERSATION: LIVE PODCAST by Making in English

12:00 - 1:00

KNIT HAPPENS! by WE ARE KNITTERS in Spanish

1:30 - 2:30

DISCOVER RECYCLED YARNS: TASTING AND PRESENTATION by Kremke Soul Wool in English

3:30 - 4:30

CHARLA PARTICIPATIVA SOBRE LA CREATIVIDAD. ¡APRENDE Y EXPLORA! by Marianela Galo (@marianelagalo) in Spanish



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HAVE FUN AT Barcelona Knits 2023!

