

the handweavers studio & gallery

catalogue & pricelist - silks

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All prices include VAT at 20%

Yarn information

Yarn counts can be very confusing. There are so many systems, and often there is no indication which system is being used. We try to spell out in all cases which system applies, but to enable you to compare and to calculate your needs more easily wherever we can we also give the length per metre/yard and the number of diameters (wraps) per centimetre/inch.

The following abbreviations are used in the yarn descriptions:

ne	the English cotton numbering system, based on the number of 840 yd strands per lb
nel	lea, the English linen numbering system, based on the number of 300 yd strands per lb
nm	the metric system, based on the number of metres per gram
wc	worsted count, the most common wool numbering system, based on the number of 560 yd strands per lb
den	the denier system, based on the weight of 9000 metres
tex	weight in grams per 1000m length
wpc	wraps per centimetre
wpi	wraps per inch

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silk - 60/2 nm

60/2 nm
30,000 m/kg / 14,880 yds/lb
32 wpc / 82 wpi

We have an extensive range of repeatable colours, but as with all yarns, there can be small variations between dye lots so if colour consistency is important for your project, make sure you buy enough at the same time.

£5.50 - 25 gms
£16.75 - 100gms
£39.00 - 250 gms
£72.50 - 500 gms

	bleached		ochre
	ecru		turtle
	fawn		light olive
	beige		mid olive
	barley		olive
	light brown		bottle
	coffee		BRG
	dark brown		acid yellow
	deep tan		yellow
	rust		sandgold
	maroon		orange
			rouge
			wine
			puce
			shell
			pink
			fluorescent pink
			gentian





















	sky		sky
	oxford		oxford
	blue		blue
	spruce		spruce
	deepsea		deepsea
	teal		teal
	petrol		petrol
	steel		steel
	royal		royal
	navy		navy
	gunmetal		gunmetal
	silver		silver
	slate		slate
	dark grey		dark grey
	chocolate		chocolate
	port		port
	magenta		magenta
	black		black

silk - 30/2 nm


30/2 nm
15,000 m/kg / 7,440 yds/lb
19 wpc / 48 wpi

30/2 silk is, for many handweavers, the preferred weight of silk for a scarf, but it has been very difficult to find. The Handweavers Studio now has a palette of twenty repeatable colours, sourced especially for us.

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£39.00 - 250 gms
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	ecru		silver
	fawn		sage smoke
	ochre		mid sky blue
	yellow		blue-green
	orange		cyan
	rouge		steel
	rust		royal
			gentian
			lilac
			magenta
			chocolate
			gunmetal
			black

We also have a palette of 2x 60/2 silk (at the same price) which is the same thickness as 30/2 but with very slightly less lustre.

	bleached		pale sun
	ecru		khaki
	parchment		dark bottle
	old gold		dark brown
	gold		silver white

como silk

This highly lustrous silk hangs well but not in a softly drapy way. It has quite a hard twist and is wonderful for knitting. It also works well as an accent yarn or in narrow woven scarves where its weight gives substance and body.

4.5nm
4,500 m/kg /
2225 yds/lb
10 wpc / 25 wpi

£6.25 - 25 gms
£20.25 - 100 gms
£55.00 - 300 gm cone



bianco



pistachio



light gold



silver grey



copper



raspberry



chocolate brown



poppy red



burnt sunflower



frosted blue



peach



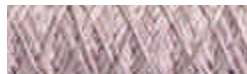
turquoise



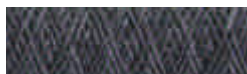
antique pink



navy



lavender



nero

tram silk

Tram silk is reeled, not spun, and has very little twist, so it is the most lustrous silk you can get and wonderful as weft. Some weavers like to use two or three shades wound together to give extra richness and depth of colour, so we have chosen our colour palette with that in mind.

200/220 denier
10 thread

£4.25 - 10 gms
£8.25 - 25 gms

We often have larger quantities on cone which we can sell at £240 per kg if we don't have to wind it down.



light cream



light olive



dark cream



dark olive



dark gold



light green



brown



light blue



yellow



turquoise



light gold



teal



orange



dark blue



rust



purple



red



pink



magenta



fuchsia

various other silks

£ 5.75 - 25 gms
 £18.25 - 100 gms
 £80.00 - 500 gms



2.5/1 nm ecru
 2,500 m/kg /
 1,240 yds/lb



2.5/2 nm ecru
 1,259 m/kg /
 620 yds per lb



4/1 nm ecru
 4,000 m/kg /
 1,980 yds/lb



5/2 nm ecru
 2,500 m/kg /
 1,240 yds/lb



8/2 nm ecru
 4,000 m/kg /
 1,980 yds/lb



16/2 nm ecru
 8,000 m/kg /
 3,970 yds/lb



40/2 nm ecru
 20,000 m/kg /
 9,920 yds/lb



100/2 nm ecru
 50,000 m/kg /
 24,800 yds/lb



140/2 nm ecru
 70,000 m/kg /
 34,700 yds/lb



140/2 nm beige
 70,000 m/kg /
 34,700 yds/lb



140/2 nm sky blue
 70,000 m/kg /
 34,700 yds/lb



3 nm silk bouclé
 3,000 m/kg /
 1,480 yds/lb
 £6.50 - 25 gms
 £21.25 - 100 gms



Japanese wild raw
 silk, hand-reeled
 approx 3000 denier
 (equivalent to 3 nm)
 £8.25per skein



70/2 nm tussah silk
 35,000 m/kg /
 17,350 yds/lb
 £4.75 - 25 gms
 £14.25 - 100 gms



25/1 nm silk noil
 25,000 m/kg /
 12,400 yds/lb
 £6.25 per skein

We also have some unrepeatable silks in varying quantities, including silk floss (some organzine, some tram) in various colours, a variety of textured silks (bourettes and noils), and a thicker tussah silk. Phone or email us for details and prices.

luxury silk blends



12/3 nm silk/baby
 camel
 4,000 m/kg /
 1,980 yds/lb
 £6.00 - 25 gms
 £19.25- 100 gms



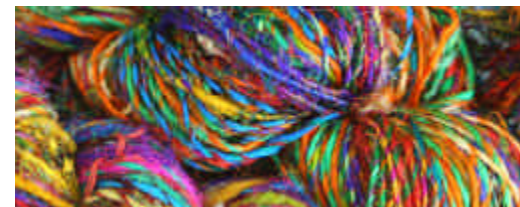
7/2 nm silk/kid mohair
 3,500 m/kg /
 1,735 yds/lb
 £6.00 - 25 gms
 £19.25 - 100 gms

We also have some silk/wool blends in ecru, silk/cashmere in ecru and black (various prices), and a range of naturally dyed silk/wool (50/50), approx 10/2 nm. Colours vary with each dye lot, so contact us to check what we have at any one time. Typical colours are shown below.

£9.75 per skein



recycled silk



sari silk

Colours vary greatly - phone or email for descriptions.
 £7.00 per skein
 (approx 100 gms)



sari ribbon

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 £7.00 per skein
 (approx 100 gms)