

Program: Recycle to Save Money and the Earth

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Program Description: Interested in a green and frugal way to build your stash? You can turn thrift store sweaters into hundreds of dollars worth of yarn. In this month's program we will discuss reclaiming yarn from commercially manufactured sweaters. You'll learn how to read and disassemble seams, how to unravel sweaters into usable yarn, and how to treat newly unraveled yarn for use in knitting, crocheting and dyeing.

Materials: One old sweater or cardigan, scissors, seam ripper, tapestry needle. Optional materials: ball winder and umbrella swift. When choosing materials for this project, look for plain medium to bulky weight sweaters in solid colors with seams that are NOT SERGED. For best results, avoid sweaters with wool that has been felted and garments worked in a very fine gauge.