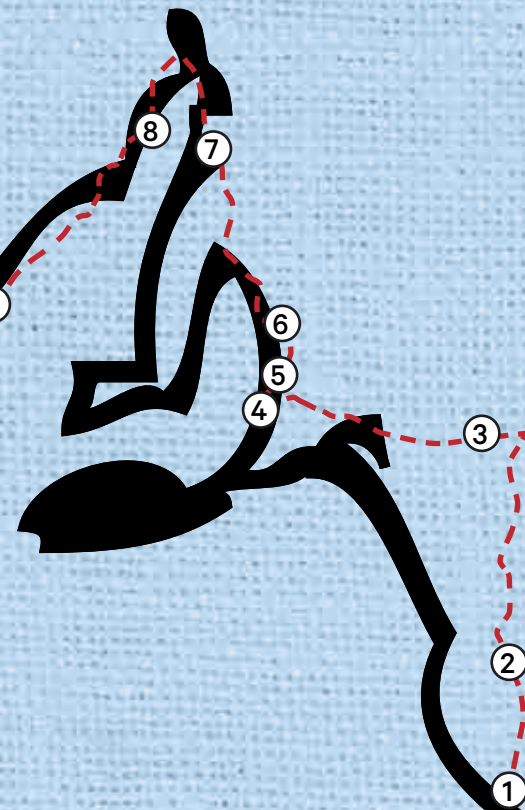


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2. Naracoorte ARTS ON ORMEROD



Where's Naracoorte: Located in the Limestone Coast region of south-eastern South Australia, about three and a half hours' drive from Adelaide and half an hour from the Coonawarra wine district.

Where in Naracoorte: 13 Ormerod Street. Turn off Riddoch Highway and head for the town centre. Our heritage-listed building is located at the small roundabout on Ormerod Street, between the entry and exit to Riverside Drive. Customer parking is available at the rear of the building.

Who plays host: Owners Tim and Cath Rowe – both local identities with a long history of business in Naracoorte. Their nieces, Ruth Dickenson and Deb Tarca, both help out, with Deb running the store on Thursdays and Fridays, and Deb and Ruth are often there together on Saturdays.

Worth visiting because: The business was originally an art-supply and custom-framing store (founded by Tim and Cath), housed in a beautiful heritage building. We have only recently expanded into the areas of patchwork, quilting, knitting and haberdashery since Ruth and Deb started working here. Our range of around 250 bolts of patchwork fabric is very eclectic, with ranges from Liberty Art Fabric, Tula Pink, Kaffe Fassett, Tilda, Robert Kaufmann and Jane Sassaman, just to name a few, and we're constantly expanding the ranges. We also have a large range of knitting wools, patterns and all sorts of accessories, along with DMC threads, haberdashery from Gütermann, Clover, Schmetz and Birch. Of course we still have a large range of high quality art supplies for the serious artist, and Deb continues to offer a custom-framing service.

What we recommend: You'll always be greeted with a warm smile – we absolutely love what we do and love that we can now provide locals and travellers with products that have been missing from Naracoorte for many years. Drop in to browse our selection, share a laugh and leave happy and with something new to add to your stash or the beginnings of your next project!

Address: 13 Ormerod Street, Naracoorte, SA 5271

Phone: (08) 8762 2804 **Fax:** (08) 8762 4643

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1. Mount Gambier CREATIVELY SEWN



Where's Mount Gambier: Famous for its Blue Lake and known as the hub of the Limestone Coast, Mount Gambier is situated in the south east of South Australia, very close to the Victorian border. It's about 450km from both Adelaide and Melbourne and provides a welcome break when travelling between these cities.

Where in Mount Gambier: We are at 1 Anthony Street. I have made good use of a local heritage cottage by turning it into a hub for sewing and craft activities.

Who plays host: Owned by Kerry Hurst

Worth visiting because: Creatively Sewn offers an Aladdin's Cave of fabrics, haberdashery, threads, books, stabilisers and battings. As the region's Pfaff and Baby Lock dealership, I offer a full range of these machines and accessories. A highly qualified sewing-machine mechanic is available to support Pfaff and Baby Lock machines. I also stock the Accuquilt GO! Cutter ranges. You'll find machine- and hand-stitchery requirements and notions filling the shelves, including Sashiko kits, while my fabric stock always follows the latest trends, brands and colourways including Tilda, Moda, William Morris, Hoffman batiks and more, balanced with a good supply of Oriental and blender fabrics, and, there is no minimum cutting limit! I also have a wonderful supply of fat quarters, jelly rolls, 5in charm squares and 10in layer cakes. My fabrics include quilting cottons and flannelettes. Classes are held every day and workshops are held on a regular basis.

What we recommend: Creatively Sewn is a Certified Judy Niemeyer shop, with a full range of patterns available and classes on offer using foundation-piecing techniques. My passion is Oriental fabrics, and I boast a large range of these for you to browse.

Address: 1 Anthony Street, Mount Gambier, SA 5290

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Website: www.creativelysewn.com.au

3. Lameroo WATT KNOTS & NOTIONS



Where's Lameroo: A town in the Murray-Mallee region, Lameroo is on the Mallee Highway and Pinnaroo railway line about 40km west of the Victorian border, or 210km east of Adelaide. It is primarily a service town for the surrounding rural areas, growing grain and sheep.

Where in Lameroo: 54 Railway Terrace North. Located in the Traders Arcade in the main street.

Who plays host: Jan Watts and occasionally Sonia Broadbent helps me out when I need to be away from the shop.

Worth visiting because: We have downsized, now having only the one shop instead of the adjoining two, but we still have plenty to offer our customers. We have quite a mixed range of products with a large selection of fabrics, quilting supplies, wool, embroidery and tapestry supplies, haberdashery and manchester. Oh, and we have a large range of jewellery now too. We also offer embroidery, clothing repairs and alterations. Twice a week we have sit 'n' sew, we have occasional workshops and retreat-type weekends. And we also sell Janome machines.

What we recommend: Take a look at the website – we have many fabrics at clearance prices and we are offering free postage within Australia. We love having quilting groups visit us and offer morning or afternoon tea with 'show and tell' from our group and yours.

Address: 54 Railway Terrace North, (In the Traders Arcade) Lameroo, SA 5302

Phone: (08) 8576 3979

Email: wattknots5302@gmail.com

Website: www.wattknots.com.au

4. Flagstaff Hill WIDEBACKS AUSTRALIA



Where's Flagstaff Hill:

We're 15 minutes from Glenelg, about 25 minutes south of the city. An easy-to-find, quiet, beautiful location amongst gum trees and koalas.

Where in Flagstaff Hill:

The shop is opposite the golf-course green, in a small group of shops on the corner of Daveys Road and Emerald Street. Look for the large murals of quilts on our carpark walls.

Who plays host: You'll usually find Brenda working in the shop or quilting on the Gammill, as well as Tracy who works most days in the shop. Rachelle Denny and Heather Ford are the primary tutors who teach classes such as Let's Get Started (for beginners), English paper piecing or sit-and-sews, blocks of the month, specialist rulers workshops (Squedge, 10-degree, Hex N More, Lazy Angle, Sidekick and others) plus the occasional mystery quilt days.

Worth visiting because: The amazing selection of 2.75m-wide backing fabrics: there are more than 900 to select from, and still growing! Widebacks was established more than 10 years ago as THE specialist wide-backing supplier in Australia and we regularly post fabric worldwide. We're happy to send samples for you to select from,

even better if you send us some pieces from your quilt fabrics, so we can coordinate or match samples to send to you. We've been an online shop since inception 10 years ago, and four and a half years ago, we located to this shopfront address. We now offer an even wider range of product as well as the location being more convenient for our customers. We have ample carpark space too. We also stock a good selection of 112cm-wide fabrics, including modern prints, batiks, solids, blenders, grunge, flannel and too many others to mention. A huge choice of patterns and books, some Sashiko patterns and threads, bag patterns and hardware, BOMs plus pre-cuts. We have over 100 sample quilts in store for you to peruse and hopefully be inspired by!

What we recommend: We are particular to always stock kits and fabrics that are suitable for masculine quilts such as the 'Stonehenge' quilt kits, which are so visually textural and exciting. Two favourites are *Iphigenes Walk* by Little Louise Designs (neutral tones) and *Five & Dime* (MountainPeekCreations) kitted up with 'Stonehenge Elements'. We sell the full range of patterns from Rachelle Denny Designs. A previous fantastic mystery day resulted in the *Churn it Round* pattern. We love *The Duffle Bag* by Cindy Taylor Oates and can supply the book, the fabric or personalised kits.

Address: Shop 4, 69 Daveys Road, Flagstaff Hill, SA 5159

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Website: www.widebacks.com.au (and sign up to our newsletter)

5. Rostrevor SUE'S SEWING WORLD



Where's Rostrevor: We are situated in the leafy eastern suburbs of Adelaide near the Morialta Falls and Magill University, SA.

Where in Rostrevor: 165 St Bernards Road, Rostrevor 5073, alongside a great Foodland and bakery/coffee shop.

Who plays host: Sue van Riet with a team of very friendly and knowledgeable staff of three who all pride themselves on giving good old-fashioned service.

Worth visiting because: We have quality fabrics specialising in batiks, Japanese, children's fabrics and a great variety of spots and stripes as well as solids. We carry the Quiltworx Judy Niemeyer patterns and we have a great range of quilting machines. We offer lots of classes on quilting, using your sewing machine or overlocker. You can see quilting samples in the shop and meet those who make them. We service all brands of sewing machines and overlockers. Bus tours are always welcome.

What we recommend: We love seeing new customers' reactions when they see our huge range of fabrics, haberdashery, threads and machines. We especially promote batik fabric by stocking a huge range and we can always match a suitable thread from our enviable range of threads. We run lots of fun-filled quilting and Scan 'n' Cut classes with some of the best teachers in Adelaide. The number of happy, satisfied, returning customers is testament to our quality products and customer service.

Address: 165 St Bernards Rd, Rostrevor, SA 5073

Phone: (08) 8365 1005

Email: suessewingworld@internode.on.net

Website: suessewingworld.com.au

6. Gawler KORNACRAFT SEWING CENTRE



Where's Gawler: We are about 40km north from Adelaide and driving to Gawler is much easier with the new expressway to the Barossa Valley wine district. It takes only 45 minutes to drive or you can catch the train from Adelaide, as we are a 10-minute walk from the station up the main street.

Where in Gawler: Gawler was planned by the colonial surveyor William Light, and

was the only town planned by him other than Adelaide. The parklands along the riverbanks and a Victorian preference for public squares are present, with many historical buildings in the main street where we are situated. Our building was built in 1880 and some original features are still present.

Who plays host: Chris (husband) and I (Kim) own Kornacraft Sewing Centre. Jenni and Kay have been with us for 11 years, as they were working in the store prior to when we purchased. Clarissa (Jenni's daughter) joined our team four years ago.

As Chris and I are not local residents of Gawler we felt it was important to employ staff from the local area.

Worth visiting because: You will be amazed at the range of goodies we stock in our shop. We have a sewing centre area at the entrance with Brother, Janome, Elna and Babylock machines on display to tempt you. Then as you walk further in the store, you pass the haberdashery section with ribbons, lace, cotton and all the essential sewing tools. Then you enter the magical area where a large table sits in the middle and the walls are lined with a riot of colour from fabric neatly arranged on shelving units. This is the class area and where you can see all the fabric on display at a glance. The table invites you to spread out your fabrics to match and compare.

What we recommend: The fun and colourful octagonal, multi-functional Zoo BOM comes to you from design duo Claire Turpin and Jemima Flendt, who have created an interactive play mat/quilt/toy-storage bag that kids are going to love! There are lots of pockets, flaps, 23 softies and movable parts to keep kids amused. So let's get started! We have kits available with free copies of the magazines for the duration of this BOM + free postage of fabric kit and magazines. Be quick, as there are only five left at \$295.

Address: 108 Murray St Gawler, SA 5118

Phone: (08) 8522 3246 **Fax:** (08) 8522 1264

Email: sales@kornacraft.com.au **Website:** www.kornacraft.com.au

7. Port Pirie COUNTRY HART DESIGNS



Who plays host: Robyn & Abbie

Worth visiting because: Country Hart is the home to Country Hart Designs original craft and quilt patterns. When you visit, you'll find it bursting with quaint country character. Our shelves are filled to the brim with more than 1500 bolts of fabric, along with patterns, books and notions. Our stitching group meets on Saturday mornings at 9.30am, and everyone is very welcome. We also offer quilting with 'Lily', the long-arm quilting machine housed in the back room, so you can be assured of not only a quality quilting job, but also a quick turnaround on your quilts. Visit our website for all our news and details on all upcoming stitching retreats and workshops including our yearly stitching retreat, "Indulge In Stitches", which is held every May at the Barossa Farm function centre on Maggie Beer's gorgeous farm.

What we recommend: Be sure to check out the latest Country Hart patterns in store and when you visit, grab a coffee and a bite to eat in our new café, Blend on Alexander, which is right next to the shop.

Address: 13 Alexander Street, Port Pirie, SA 5540

Phone: (08) 8632 3172, 0417 826 418

Email: countryhart@bigpond.com

Website: www.countryhart.com.au

Where's Port Pirie: 200km north of Adelaide, along the Augusta Highway /National Highway 1

Where in Port Pirie: 13 Alexander Street. Enter Port Pirie through the roundabout and turn left at the first set of traffic lights.

8. Whyalla PRETTY COUNTRY THINGS

Where's Whyalla: Located on the Eyre Peninsula, 400km north of Adelaide. Whyalla is where the outback meets the sea.

Where in Whyalla: We are located at 19 Patterson St. This is in the original main street, close to the foreshore.

Who plays host: Owned and operated by Ruth Vincent. Her husband Peter plays a silent role behind the scenes servicing machines in his spare time.

Worth visiting because: We stock a large range of fabrics, haberdashery, quilting supplies, DMC and Cottage Garden threads, Accuquilt Go cutters/dies, Janome and Husqvarna sewing machines, accessories/spare parts and handmade embroidered gift items. We have weekly sewing groups (learn to sew and machine embroidery). We offer servicing of all Janome and Husqvarna machines. Our opening times are Tuesday to Friday 10am to 4pm and Saturday 10am to 1pm. For people travelling through, please give us a call and we will be only too happy to open after hours. A table and chairs are provided outside for hubby and a cup of coffee if need be.

What we recommend: Come in and have a browse and a chat. We pride ourselves on good old-fashioned service and advice. We carry a large range of fabrics – some of our favourites are the Tilda and Gail Pan ranges. The Accuquilt Go cutter is another one favourite. This saves so much time



and provides great accuracy. A die-hire service in-store is also very popular with our customers. We offer free lessons with all of our machines purchased. An electrical testing and tagging service is also available. If we do not have what you need in stock, we will endeavour to source it for you.

Address: 19 Patterson St, Whyalla, SA 5600

Phone: (08) 8644 1297

Email: prettycountry@internode.on.net

Website:

www.facebook.com/Pretty-Country-Things-524731244206995

9. Tumby Bay PATCHES AT THE BAY



Where's Tumby Bay: Located on the east coast of the Eyre Peninsula about 45km northeast of Port Lincoln. It's a coastal paradise of white sandy beaches, pristine blue waters and protected bays for all manner of aquatic activities.

Where in Tumby Bay: Shop 1, 1 Lipson Road. Following the Lincoln Highway, turn right into Bratten Way and continue on to North Terrace. Then turn left into Lipson Street, where Patches at the Bay is immediately on the right.

Who plays host: Helen and her wonderful group of dedicated volunteers.

Worth visiting because: Patches at the Bay is not an average craft and quilting store. We're run by a group of dedicated women who do it for the community – we're volunteers! Our unique

venture had an unusual beginning. The local supermarket was the only place in Tumby Bay to get fabrics, wool and notions – so when the shop was sold and the new owner was thinking of getting rid of this department, a local lady stepped in to save the supply source. She proposed that an alternative location be found in town for the fabrics, wool and haberdashery and persuaded other like-minded women to be volunteers and thus Patches at the Bay was born. We've operated the business since October 2003 and provide a friendly atmosphere for our customers. As well as patchwork fabrics, we stock a huge range of wool, haberdashery and general craft supplies. We try to source what our customers need whenever possible so the stock is changing constantly, something we see as a real strength of the store, and we provide lots of inspiring workshops as well as holiday classes for the kids.

What we recommend: Creative Clothing is a range of ladies' blouses and rugby tops designed and handmade by Helen in sizes 8-24. Each garment features appliqué, patchwork or coordinating fabric trims, making them unique. A selection of garments is stocked at the store, or call 0409 211 986 for further details. Handmade items made by volunteers are also available for sale.

Address: Shop 1, 1 Lipson Road, Tumby Bay, SA 5605

Phone: (08) 8688 2999

Email: patchesatthebay@gmail.com

10. Port Lincoln RUBY & KATE



Where's Port Lincoln: Situated at the tip of the Eyre Peninsula, Port Lincoln is a beautiful destination with a wild coastline, beautiful beaches, great fishing, lovely countryside destinations and lots of great local seafood eateries and wineries to visit.

Where in Port Lincoln: 42 Liverpool Street. Our new store is on the main shopping street through town, and you'll find us on the opposite side of the road to Woolworths. Just look for our logo and website colours, you can't miss it!

Who plays host: Chris and Jasmine Richardson.

Worth visiting because: We have moved into a brand-new store on the main street of Port Lincoln and we're loving it! You'll be amazed by our range of fabrics, gifts, yarns, kits and bits of handmade goodness. Our fabric ranges include colourful Kaffe Fassett, Amy Butler, Tilda, French General, Art Gallery and Liberty, and we are always expanding our ranges. We share a love of all things patchwork and quilting, and you'll also find bright and funky knitting and crochet yarns, sewing accessories, clothing patterns, giftware and much more. Be inspired by our lovely display of 'modern meets traditional' quilts, along with kits, block of the month quilts, bags, dolls, and so much more.

What we recommend: We just love Tula Pink's new *Catnip* quilt kit and Amy Butler's new 'Splendour' range of fabrics, full of colour and very splendid! Both available instore and online.

Address: 42 Liverpool Street, Port Lincoln, SA 5606

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