

## Vaune's July Newsletter

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June has been a busy month for me, and July is not far behind! School is over, I have been catching up on my blog, (see my posts on what to look for when buying a new sewing machine, as well as 'tools of the trade' that I have in my sewing caddy that I use), a quick trip to Santa Barbara for a lovely sewing weekend, and I am the proud new owner of a new sewing machine, a Bernina 580.

I am getting ready for our Santa Barbara school in August, An Afternoon with Grandmere, which Cindy Foose and I will be hosting. I am also very excited - I am going to (finally) take a class with Carol Ahles, who is going to be teaching here in SoCal for the Sew Cal Gals SAGA Chapter later this month. I have not had a chance to take a class from Carol - we always seem to be teaching at the same time, so I am really looking forward to the class, as well as being able to visit her again. I was with her at the end of October in Houston at the Quilt Show - she is lovely, if you have not had the pleasure of meeting her.

This is the first June in a long time that I have not traveled to TX for the Martha's Sewing Market, as it was not held this year. I miss seeing all of you that I usually run into there. In honor of all of my Texas buddies, I am holding a Christmas in July Sale! This sale ends July 31, 2014

## **Christmas in July**

All items highlighted in the newsletter, as well as ALL Fabric on my website is 20% off

All DOVO scissors are 15% off

If you don't see an item on my website, email me to check on stock.

I am trying to get all of my fabrics online, so if you are looking for something specific and you don't see it, email me to check.

Happy Stitching,
Vaune

## Where I'll Be.....

**July 24, 2014** EGA - San Gabrial Valley, CA

August 21-25, 2014
Vaune Pierce and Cindy Foose
Santa Barbara, CA

**September 16-21, 2014** SAGA Convention Orlando, FL

October 24-26, 2014 ETAC Orange County, CA

**October 26-28** Sewing Weekend Santa Barbara, CA

**January 9-12, 2015** Sewing Weelend Santa Barbara, CA

Feb. 26- March 1, 2015
Sewing and Stitching Expo
Puyallup, WA

Checkout the info sheet at the end of the newsletter on the Artisan Academy 2(Aug. 21-25), 'An Afternoon with Grandmere'.

# Library Shelf

## Christmas in July Sale

All newsletter items are 20% off All Fabric (in stock and on website) 20% off All DOVO Scissors 15% off

When ordering through the website, I will apply discount before I charge your order.

## Couture Sewing Techniques, 2nd Ed.

A great addition to your sewing library! Claire Schaeffer is well known for her couture sewing techniques, and this industry bible has been updated in this 2nd edition. Perfect for all of you sewists that like that 'Handmade' touch to your garments.

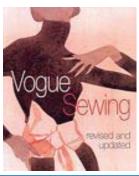
\$25 less 20% - \$20



## Vogue Sewing

From fabric selection and constuction basics to advanced pattern alterations and couture techniques, this book is full of great information for all sewists!

\$30 less 20% off - your price is \$24















Inspirations Issue 82 has just arrived.

Chock full of beautiful projects, Issue 82 will not disappoint, including the beautiful violets on the cover and an adorable baby inside!

\$23 and 20% off so your price is \$18.40

# I See the Light!

## Stella Lights

Stella lights bring you the best light in which to stitch (or read!). The LEDs produce very little heat, which make it comfortable to use. The lamp lasts 50,000 hours (oh to have that much stitching time)! Tri-Color Technology gives 3 color spectrums - warm, natural, and cool color spectrums, which enables you to see the true colors of your fabric and threads. With a simple touch, you can turn the light on/off, dim up or down, or change color spectrum. They have a flexible arm, so it is easy to focus the light on your project, your sewing machine, or your fabric. They come in 3 different models - a table top, a clamp on, and a floor lamp. Each model is available in both white and black. NEW!!! The Table Top model is available for a short time in PINK (my favorite color!). All models are 20% off the Regular price.



## Table Top Stella

Pink, White or Black are available. Reg. \$22.00 les 20% these lights are now only \$176.00





# Fabric Makes Me Happ

100% cotton Sea Island Knits Little Boy prints! Due to problems with the overseas mills, these fabrics are no longer being carried. They have boats, anchors, teddy bears, etc. one with white background, one with blue background. Several of the guilds use this for WeeCare blankets and gowns.

\$10 / yard less 20% is \$8 / yd.



The Sea Island knit came in and it is sooo soft! The first picture has a light blue background, the bottom picture has a white background. This is perfect for blankets, onesies, bubbles, sheets, etc. It is 60" wide so it makes BIG receiving blankets!

#### 100% Cotton 1/16" Gingham - 60" wide

This gingham is my favorite for several reasons. First, it is 60" wide, so there is plenty of room to cut bias as well as pattern pieces. Fat quarters are perfect for gingham and collars!

2nd, the 1/16" checks, are large enough to show that it is gingham and small enough to still act as a solid. 3rd, it comes in many, many colors, which is very convenient. Just about any color you need is available. Gingham colors are all \$14.00 / yard Fat quarters 18" x 30") are available in all colors for \$4.00 each



the ways you can use this to brighten up your garments. Great stash fabric, as it is appropriate for boys, girls, and adults! Remember, Fabric is all 20% off, including fat quarters.

Just email me the colors that you want!

## 100% Marino Wool Felt 70" wide

This is a beautiful wool felt that I found at the LA Textile show this year. It is 70" wide, 1mm weight and comes in all of these wonderful colors!!! The felt retails at

\$60.00 / yard and is 20% off, with a Chritmas in July sale price of \$48/yd. Please note: a minimum cut of 1/2 yard per color.

\*\*As this is a new product, I do NOT have all of the colors listed on my web site yet. Please email me your color choices for the wool felt. vaune@vaune.com





# Pressing Matters

Clover has introduced a new line of pressing aids that address almost every pressing situation you can think of, from a collapsable sleeve board (that is very sturdy) to silicone fingers and a pressing mitt. Regular price is shown, and then take 20% off for the actual price.

**Mighty Mini Board** A great pressing tool, this sleeve board is very sturdy, but collapses to make it easy to travel! Reg. \$47

\$37.60

**Hold It Precision Stilletto** - thin, to give you a more accurate hold when you are pressing, while keeping your fingers safe. Reg. \$13.00, after 20% off is only

\$10.40



Hot Hemmer - has a unique surface that holds fabric in place! Different shapes on the corners and a grid let you can accurately fold, measure, and press in one step. Reg. \$18,

20%off - \$14.40



Iron Finger - this silicon tool has a round handle with a soft grip that can also be used as a seam roll. It has a spatual-type end, flat at the tip and and on one side with a rounded corner on the opposite side. This is a bit bigger than the stilletto. \$15.75 less 20%

\$12.60



**Touch Up Pressing Mitt** - This is a great little mitt that you can use to press hard to reach places! Just put the mitt on your hand and lay the garment over it and press without burning your fin-

gers! Reg.\$19 less 20%, \$15.20



Deluxe Take and Press Mat is 24" x 36", Heat resistant fabric (silver) on one side and a gridded heavy duty cotton on the other. It is very easy to measure and square up things with the grid on one side and large enough for bigger projects.

Reg. \$60.00, after 20% off, only

\$48.00



*Iron Safe* - made to go over your iron to keep fabrics from scorching and your iron from sticky fusible residue. NOT made for cordless or odd shaped irons. Reg. \$28

after 20% off \$22.40



**Point 2 Point Turner** This point turner is a step above the others - it is longer, made for right and left handers, and has a rounded end and a pointed end. The rounded end is wider and can be used to finger press as well as to mark fabric, turn points and curvesm and press out seams.

Reg. \$9.25 less 20% is \$7.40

As you can see, pressing matters! And these tools can help to make your prssinglife easier!!!

No matter what you use, remember to press each seam as you sew, don't wait until the end, and your garment will look more professional!

## Pressing Matters, cont.



Teflon Pressing sheet from BoNash works wonders! Especially nice if you are using anything fusible (German Interfacing?!), as the fuse material wipes right off. The mat is a generous 18" by 11.9".

\$13.00 -20% is only \$10.40



Clapper and Cutie



approx. 10"x3"x2"

Clappers are a must for setting seams - use with steam after each pass with a sewing machine!

Large - \$25 less 20% = \$20

Small - \$20 less 20% = \$16 (great for travel)



This is a great LITTLE ironing board that folds in half, for traveling or classes. Very

compact! Reg. \$42, less 20% is \$33.60



The new iron from Reliable - the Sensor Velocity 200. It still has powerful steam, and this new version has the ability to turn OFF the auto-shutoff (not sure if that is a good thing or a bad thing as I am getting older!)

\$199 less 20% is \$159.20



#### Recharable Iron from Panasonic

I am in the (never-ending it seems) process of re-arrangingmy sewing room and when I saw this iron at the Houston Quilt Market, I thought this would be great! I have a little ironing table, right next to my sewing machine - and this would be perfect - no cord, so it would give me greater mobility in moving around a small space. This iron sits on a rechargable plate and has a nifty little cover that locks into place. It has Low/Med/High settings for and Burst and Continuous Steam settings. Not my primary iron, but does a great job

for sewing! \$130 less 20% is \$104

I wish you all a wonderful summer, with lots of stitchin' time!

Happy Stitching,

