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Summer Classes

Our amazing teachers have packed the schedule this summer with fabulous classes! You can start at the very beginning, with zero experience, and learn how to knit, quilt, or tat. Or you can add to your current skills. Or just come in for friends and fun!

Remember that you can sign up online. Go to the website, click on classes, and the system will walk you through. Of course, you're *always* encouraged to call or stop in.

A quick note that you should make sure we have your current e-mail address (especially if you have a Verizon account that is going away). I send out occasional e-mails between newsletters that I am sure you will find helpful.

Row by Row

As always, we are participating in the Row by Row Experience. This year's theme is "On the Go." You can "go" from quilt

shop to quilt shop, picking up patterns and kits based on this theme. Put them together for a large stack of fat quarters if you are the first one done for your shop! This shop hop begins on June 21. Stop by for more info or check out rowbyrowexperience.com.

Next Annual Retreat

Save the dates for our 2018 annual retreat. It will be held from April 5 or 6 through April 8 at Lake Raystown Resort.

Note that we had so much fun this year that many people wanted to come beginning on Thursday, that we are adding that as an *optional* day as long as we get a required 10 hotel rooms filled. (If there are not enough people, we will simply begin on Friday as usual.) See more info on the back cover of this newsletter, and please call us at 814-238-4151 to sign up so that we can assign rooms.

Holiday Hours

Memorial Day (May 29): Closed
July 4: Closed (but **OPEN** July 3)
Labor Day (Sept. 4): Closed

Otherwise, our hours are, as always: Monday through Saturday, from 10-5:30! The shop never closes otherwise; we are always there for *you*.

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And best of all—**please come by in person** to see a whole, glorious palette of color and texture!

Pesky class policies: The price of the class does not include supplies unless otherwise noted. Payment in full is expected at signup. Cancellation will result in shop credit only; we are unable to give refunds. Sorry, no credit once the class is 7 days away. For all quilting classes, bring basic sewing supplies—machine, scissors, pins, rotary cutter, etc. Now let's get to the fun stuff!

Knitting Classes

Alice Bee Cowl



Color and lace—what could go wrong! This darling little cowl is fun and easy to make. Use either scraps of yarn, or "cheat" by choosing one that self-stripes! **\$28 Supplies:** Alice Bee pattern, supplies as listed on the pattern. You may get it either from Ravelry or on paper through us. Wednesday, July 19, 6-9 p.m.

All Done in August

That afghan is still sitting as a pile of blocks. The sweater just needs a collar. The hat—something went wrong with the pattern, and you put it in time out. Let's dig out all these things, and clear the closet! Let Eleanor get you through! **\$38 Supplies:** All your unfinished projects, plus your needles and

notions so that you have whatever you need! Sundays, Aug. 13 & 20, 1-4 p.m.

Bad Oyster



Why is this gorgeous scarf/shawl called Bad Oyster? Cause it's got no purls! Okay, bad jokes aside, you're going to love this project! This shawl/scarf is knit entirely in the round, and then steeked open, a process which also creates the fringe. Join Cindy Decker-Raynak for a low-pressure introduction to steeking and create your own *pearl* of an accessory. (No more puns!) **\$38 Supplies:** Bad Oyster pattern (let us buy it for you on Ravelry for 10% off); about 400 yards of fingering-weight yarn (we have *so many* gorgeous colors!), and two size 4 circular 16" needles (preferred, but one 24" needle will also work) and size 4 double points. Wednesdays, Aug. 16 & Sept. 13, 6:30-9:00 p.m. (note later start time)

Brioche 101



Brioche is smoochy to wear, and fun to make! There are tricks to keeping it straight, however, and Eleanor will teach them to you! **\$38 Supplies:** Eleanor will help you choose a pattern and yarn the first day. We will start with a scarf or cowl! Sundays, July 23 & 30, 1-4 p.m.

Cancun Lace Top



This beautiful lace top is so easy, and it's perfect for throwing over a tank or cami this summer! **\$38 Supplies:** Pattern (free on Ravelry; let us help you if you have trouble getting it). We recommend our

sport-weight silk hand-dyed yarn. Two skeins will make the top! Saturdays, July 22 & 29, 2:30-5:30 p.m.

Double Knitting



Double Knitting is fascinating: Knitting across one row, you'll create what are actually two pieces of stockinette fabric, with their purl sides against each other. You're using one color on one side, and the other on the other side. But you're knitting them at the same time instead of separately. \$38 **Supplies:** Antonym pattern (available on Ravelry or in the shop), 200 yards each of two worsted-weight yarns. We recommend using a self-striping yarn as one, and a solid as the other. Wednesdays, Aug. 9 & 23, 6-9 p.m.

Drop Those Double Points!

Knitting in the round on a small object? You don't have to use double points; you can use circular needles as well! Let Lindsay show you how to do magic loop and knitting with two circulars. These

techniques will give you new tools in your knitting toolbox! \$28 **Supplies:** Bring in yarn and several types of needles: double points (sure, why not?), a long circular needle (at least 40"), and two shorter circular needles (16" or 24" are both fine sizes). Your needles do not have to exactly match the yarn sizing, but should be at least fairly similar. Tuesday, Aug. 29, 6-9 p.m.

Efficient Knitting

Maybe you'd like to get your projects finished up a little faster. Maybe you'd like that arm to stop aching. Chances are good that for either thing, efficiency is the key. \$28 **Supplies:** Practice yarn and needles. Monday, Aug. 14, 6-9 p.m.

Esjan



Delicious, large holes are the feature of this gorgeous shawl. Make it in a worsted-weight yarn, and it'll be done in no time flat! \$38 **Supplies:** Pattern (get it from us on Ravelry for 10% off), three

gorgeous colors of DK or Worsted-weight yarn. We made our model in Ultra Pima, but we'll help you put colors together! (That's the fun part!) Saturdays, June 10 & 24, 1-4 p.m.

Fair Isle 101



If you've never done Fair Isle before, it looks a little scary. But after one night, you'll wonder why you thought it was so intimidating—it's really easy! And fun! Join us and learn how. \$28 **Supplies:** Either come in early to choose your project, or talk to the teacher the first night about patterns and yarns. We have plenty of ideas in the shop to inspire you! Bring along your 16" or 24" circular needles. Tuesday, June 27, 6-9 p.m.

Intarsia



People often ask about the difference between Fair Isle and Intarsia. It is that Fair Isle knitters switch yarns frequently on a row. Intarsia knitters create pictures. Take this class to learn the tricks of intarsia! You will work on either a small sample, or a paw-print or heart blanket or pillow! If you are making the larger project, come see us ahead of time so that you can get the rows knit to the point where you're ready for class. \$28 **Supplies:** Please talk to us about what you are planning to work on, and we'll get you fixed up. Wednesday, Aug. 30 6-9 p.m.

Kennita Tully Trunk Show



Cynthia's designer buddy Kennita Tully, of Wildflower Knits, has a new grouping of patterns for summer. When Cynthia meets up with Kennita in June, she will bring them back for a week! Please come to the trunk show the night of June 15 to see all the garments at once! We'll help you pick the perfect yarn for your own version! No charge, but please let us know that you are coming so that we are sure to have enough seating.

Supplies: Bring yourself and enthusiasm for lots of pretty knitted garments! Thursday, June 15, 6 p.m.

Knitting 101



Want to learn how to knit? Or need a refresher after many years of neglecting your knitting? Take our beginning-knitting course. You'll learn how to cast on, knit, and purl, and you'll start a scarf. \$38 **Supplies:** Let the teacher help you the first session with which supplies to buy. Mondays, July 24 & Aug. 7, 6-9 p.m., OR Tuesdays, Aug. 8 & 15, 9-noon.

Knitting Around the World



Learn knitting techniques from all over the world in this fascinating class for holding yarn and needles in different ways! (We even have Portuguese Knitting pins in stock!) \$28 **Supplies:** Bring scrap yarn and the needles that work for that type of yarn. Monday, June 26, 6-9 p.m.

Lace 101



Lace seems complex! All those holes! Well, not so much when

you have Cynthia Mazzant showing you the ropes. You'll be a lace pro in no time. \$48 **Supplies:** Either work with Cynthia the first night to find a pattern, or begin with the No-Fail lace scarf pattern that we have at the shop. Monday, July 31, 6-9 p.m.

Laura Nelkin Class (Bracelet)



Laura Nelkin is an expert knitted-jewelry designer, and her patterns are, as a bonus, fast and easy to make! Connie loves helping you make anything Laura designs! \$28 **Supplies:** We will have kits available for your choice. Saturday, Aug. 5, 2:30-5:30 p.m.



Laura Nelkin Class (Necklace)

You've made a bracelet—now go on to a necklace! You will be sure to enjoy Connie's excitement for jewelry in this class! \$28 **Supplies:** We will have kits available for your choice. Saturday, Aug. 19, 2:30-5:30 p.m.

Make a Million Shawl



We're pretty excited. Our former teacher and good friend Deb Kerr, who as many of you know, now owns a knitting/beading shop in Minnesota, is doing a Knitalong for Cynthia's pattern, the Make a Million Shawl. We are joining her venture here in PA. We will start the class on the first day of the knitalong, on Saturday, June 3. (Feel free to join the Facebook group before then.) From there, we will continue on with your choice of either morning or night for 2 further sessions. This shawl is a wonderful opportunity to play with color and beads! \$40

Supplies: Make a Million shawl pattern (you can buy it on Ravelry or from the shop on paper). Let us help you coordinate yarn! Saturday, June 3, 4:30 p.m. for the first session, and then Wednesdays, June 7 & June 28, either 9-noon or 6-9, for the second and third sessions.

Mariflowers



These darling flowers will cheer up any room. Make your own never-wilt bouquet! \$28 **Supplies:** Mariflowers pattern, size 1 or 2 double-pointed needles, and small amounts of fingering-weight yarn in flower colors of your choice, and some green for the leaves and stems. You will need a coat hanger to keep the flower steady. We will supply Terial Magic stiffener in the class; if you want to make more flowers, you might want to pick some up! Saturday, June 17, 2:30-5:30

Christmas in July: Maria and Maude Cowl



The perfect last minute Xmas gift!. No gauge or sizing to worry about. An easy Japanese lace pattern looks beautiful in any plain or patterned worsted weight yarn. \$28 **Pattern:** Really Clear pattern (let us get it for you). Yarn:100 yds of worsted- or Aran-weight yarn; Needles: US size 10 16" circular needle and another 16" circular needles 2-3 sizes smaller. Stitch markers. Monday, August 7, 6-9 p.m.

Mochi Mochi Toys



Amigurumi is the cutest! (Big eyes, small objects!) Join Abbey in her current obsession of Tiny Things! \$28 **Supplies:** Mochi Mochi book. Bring along scraps of many colors

of yarn. Needles to match the project size (the project size is small). Monday, July 10, 6-9 p.m.

Mitered Squares



There is nothing as satisfying as knitting mitered squares. Each one feels like a completed project! This class focuses on a poncho, but if you want to make a blanket or wrap instead, that would be fine! \$38 **Supplies:** Mitered Wrap pattern, 1 ball of either Kureyon or Silk Garden per 2 squares, or other yarn of your choice. Tuesdays, Aug. 22 & Sept. 12, 6-9 p.m.

Quick-Knit Hat (Knitting 102)



You've taken Knitting 101 (or are in that range of skill), and you're starting to wonder how to make something other than a scarf. Let's make a hat! You will learn all sorts of skills—purling, working in the round, and using double-pointed needles. \$38 **Supplies:** Really Clear Quick-Knit Hat pattern, supplies as listed on the pattern. Tuesdays, June 13 & 20, OR Aug. 21 & 28, both from 6-9 p.m.

Snowflakes in the Air



Banish August's "dog days" with this reminder of a holiday snow scene. This hat is perfect for adults or children, and its colors will work through February! \$38 **Supplies:** Really Clear pattern. Yarn, beads, and needles as shown on the

pattern. You will need a beading crochet hook. Tuesdays, Aug. 8 & 15, 6-9 p.m.

Socks of Your Choice



This class is just as its name implies: Find any pair of socks you want to make, toe-up or top-down, and Eleanor will take you step by step (get it??) through the process! \$38 **Supplies:** Sock pattern of your choice, appropriate yarn and needles. Sundays, June 11 & 25, 1-4 p.m.

Sweater of Your Choice



Everyone loves sweaters, but they're often a bit intimidating. If you take them piece-by-piece, you'll be successful. Cynthia loves sweater knitting, and she'll help you through the process with enthusiasm. This class is for *everyone*, from new beginners through advanced knitters. \$48 **Supplies:** Talk with us about patterns and yarn before class. Wednesdays, July 12, Aug. 9, Aug. 30, Oct. 4, Nov. 8, 9-noon, OR Thursdays, July 6, Aug. 10, Aug. 31, Oct. 5, & Nov. 9, 6-9 p.m.

Christmas in July: Welled Fingerless Mitts



Another quick last minute gift, these mitts will take you from autumn's first chill to spring's last frost! These one-skein wonders can be quickly altered to fit larger or smaller hands. \$38 **Pattern:** Ravelry pattern (let us get it for you). Yarn: 100 yds of DK weight. Needles: Sizes 5 and 6 DPNs. Darning needle. Wednesdays, July 26 & Aug. 2, 6-9 p.m.

Quilting Classes

Block of the Month: Australian Adventure



We started the block of the month back in January, but we have been cutting extra packets—so feel free to join in now. You'll catch up quickly.

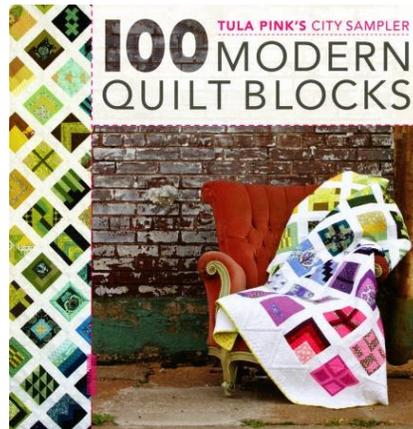
We're using Australian fabrics designed by Aboriginal artists, and they are so fun to play with! The class is a quick lecture to explain any processes for that month. Because the class is not hands on, you should know how to sew with a quarter-inch seam, and you should have made at least a couple of projects. \$60

Supplies: We will provide the fabric and instructions each month. At the end of the year, we will have a finishing kit available for purchase, as well as sign up for a workshop in the spring of 2018 (did you just hear "2018"??!) to complete the three large motifs.

Saturdays or Mondays, June 17/19, July 15/17, Aug. 12/14, Sept. 23/25, Oct. 14/16, Nov. 11/13, Dec. 9/11, Choose from Saturday at 10:30 or Monday at 10:30, noon, 4:30 or 5:30. See us

to schedule your time and to pick up earlier blocks.

City Sampler Quilt



Tula Pink's latest book is meant to move quilters to their own choices of fabric and layout and block choices, to make quilts their very own. Her book has no titles for the blocks—just numbers, so that you can decide on your own what each meaning is! Let Caryl help you figure out which blocks you like best, and which fabrics to use. This class will be a collaboration among you, Caryl, and Tula via her book! \$38 **Supplies:** City Sampler book, various fabrics. You may want to start with a few fat quarters plus a background, and go from there! Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Mondays, Aug. 21 & 28, 6-9 p.m.

Dresden Plate



Using a Dresden Plate ruler, this classic block, which looks tricky, is so simple that we can learn it in a night! \$28 **Supplies:** You will need a Dresden plate ruler of your choice (small or large). We have packets of Kaffe Fasset fabrics if you would like them, or choose your own cuts. Go coordinated-scrappy! Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Thursday, Aug. 17, 6-9 p.m.

Drunkard's Path



The Circle Savvy Ruler by Creative Grids makes life easy! Use it to create beautiful circle, half circle, or quarter-circle (drunkard's path) blocks. Patricia will give you all kinds of tips for sewing curves! You'll go from scared to expert in 3 hours flat! \$28 **Supplies:** Circle Savvy Ruler, 28 MM rotary cutter, coordinated scraps of fabrics. Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Tuesday, Aug. 1, 6-9 p.m.

Harmonic Convergence



This quilt is always fascinating—no two are the same! Cut and slice fat quarters so that they interleave with each other. It's a creative, but relaxing project! \$38 **Supplies:** Ricky Tims' book, four fat quarters that coordinate and have large-scale prints or colors that merge and swim, machine plus basic sewing supplies. Tuesdays, July 18 & 25, 6-9 p.m.

Free-Motion Quilting 101



Learning free-motion quilting doesn't have to be frustrating. If you take it step-by-step, it can even be fun. You'll be amazed at

how easy it is, and, you'll have plenty of ideas to take you beyond the class! \$28 **Supplies:** *Make Your Mark* book, sewing machine, darning foot (very important!), sewing machine instruction manual, three 18" quilt sandwiches made of muslin and cotton batting, contrasting 100% cotton thread such as Mettler or YLI, unlined paper and pencil.

Optional but *highly* recommended: *Sew Slip and Machingers*. Monday, July 31, 6-9 p.m.

Japanese Applique



Learn to do hand appliqué using Misty's favorite fast technique! Make a cute floral block in no time. You do not need to enlarge the block in advance—Misty will talk about how to enlarge them during class and will provide the freezer paper for tracing templates. \$28 **Supplies:** *318 Patchwork Patterns* book, John James Gold & Glide Applique needles size 9, washable glue stick (we like Sewline), Roxanne's Glue Baste-It, neutral-colored silk thread, scissors (1 pair for cutting paper and 1 small sharp pair for fabric), light box (optional), stiletto or toothpick, and a pencil. Fabrics:

1 fat quarter or 1/3 yard of a very light/white background fabric, 1/8 yard cuts or scraps of fabric in the colors of your choosing for the flower parts. Be sure to prewash all of your fabrics. If you wear reading glasses, please bring them. Thursday, June 29, 6-9 p.m.

Kitten Wallhanging



A wall hanging of kittens playing with butterflies? You might be overcome with cuteness! Despite the risk of everyone fainting during class, we couldn't help but think that this would be a wonderful project. \$38 **Supplies:** In addition to your machine and basic sewing supplies, you might want to bring along a few smelling salts in case the kittens are too cute for you to handle. In addition, we have a kit ready for you to buy. Thursdays, July 20 & Aug. 3, 9-noon

Liberated Quilting Blocks



Play with blocks the way YOU want to play with them! No need for rulers (unless you want them). Deb will show you the way! She used Christmas (in July!) fabrics for her runner, but you may use whatever works for you of course. \$38 **Supplies:** the book *Liberated Quilt Making II*. Bring along various fabrics the first night of class, along with your machine and sewing supplies. Deb will help you supplement if needed. Thursdays, July 20 & Aug. 3, 6-9 p.m.

Lollipop Lane



Get going on Christmas, and get inspired by yo-yos! Lollipop Lane is an adorable wall hanging that will have you singing Lollipop songs in your head (or aloud) as you work on it. \$28 **Supplies:** Clover yo-yo maker and pattern. We will have optional fabric kits for you as well! Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Wednesday, Aug. 9, 6-9 p.m.

Moonshadow Panel



McKenna Ryan never fails to design stunning fused appliqué that looks like a painting. This quilt is no exception. We will start with the Foxes at Night quilt. If you want us to order more in the series, let us know. \$38 **Supplies:** Fox pattern, fabrics to go with it. If you want us to choose for you, please let us know at least a week

ahead. Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Mondays, July 10 & 24, 9-noon

Paper Piecing (Curious Cats)



It is the summer of the cat at Stitch Your Art Out! This table runner is paper pieced to give the kitties a bit more dimension. (Plus, paper piecing is fun!) \$38

Supplies: Pattern, plus fabrics as desired. Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Sunday, June 4, plus a second day that works for all of us, 1-4 p.m.

Portraits in Fabric



You can use this portrait technique for any photograph—we are imagining graduation gifts, Christmas gifts, First Communion gifts, birthday gifts, and the list goes on! In this class, you will create a portrait based on a photograph, using fused raw-edged appliqué. We will not be sewing during class meetings. Instead, the classes will consist of demonstrations and discussions with assignments that you complete after class. As the basis for your portrait (or self-portrait), a photograph with a single subject works best.

\$48 Supplies: Please pick up a supply list when you sign up for the class. Bring various photo options to the first class. Wednesdays, June 21, 28 & July 5, 6-9 p.m.

Quilting 101



You've vowed to do this for years, but have decided that now is the time! You are going to learn how to quilt! Let us get you started on your choice of a placemat or table runner that will show you how to use a rotary cutter and make a 1/4" seam. **\$42 Supplies:** Placemat pattern and appropriate fabrics. Let us help you choose them as part of the learning process. Stop by at least a few days before the class to pick them

out. You may use one of our machines, but it is better to bring your own so that you learn to use it. Bring the manual along. You will also want basic sewing supplies, which we can help you buy at the shop. (Please know that lower-quality supplies will make your job much harder!) Mondays, June 12 & 19, 6-9 p.m., OR June 20 & 27, 9-noon

Quilting 102



You've taken Quilting 101, and it's time to keep going. Learn to quilt with triangles, and get better at learning that 1/4" seam allowance and matching corners. You'll get a review of what you learned in 101, plus you'll move on to new skills! If you have sewn a little bit, you can start here. **\$42 Supplies:** Pattern and fabrics as needed. Machine plus basic sewing supplies. Come in a few days before class so we can help you choose. . July 10 & 17, 6-9 p.m. 6-9 p.m.

Other Classes

Tatting 101



Tatting is a way to make small, delicate lace using a shuttle. Join Ruth and learn this classic craft. **\$38 Supplies:** *Learn Needle Tatting* by Barbara Foster and *Learn to Tat* by Janette Baker, tatting needle set (before you buy, see if you need them during the class), white size 10 thread, shuttle with a hook on the end. Saturdays, Jun 3 & 10, 9-11 a.m.

Tatting 104 This class is for previous students. Join Ruth for one-on-one skill building and inspiration. **\$16 Supplies:** Consult with Ruth about supplies. Tuesdays, June 13, July 25, and/or Aug. 22, 9-11 a.m.

Personal Color Analysis



When the computer matches your own personal rainbow to your own skin, hair, and eye coloring, you will not only look radiant every day, but all your clothes will match! \$125 includes

personalized palette **Supplies:**

Come to the shop with no makeup on. Feel free to bring handwork while you wait your turn (although everyone is always so fascinated by the process that they don't do handwork!). Monday, July 3, 5:30 p.m.

Kennita Tully Trunk Show Be sure to sign up for a wonderful evening to see Kennita's beautiful sweaters! No charge, but please sign up so that we have enough chairs ready. (Pssst: It's highly likely that there will be a special of some sort that night on yarn

purchased or ordered to make a sweater!) Thursday, June 15, 6:00.

Berroco Bingo The Berroco yarn company has a Bingo Sheet that looks to be fun, and we'll be playing along! We'll have Bingo sheets ready as of June 15, and then the Bingo will begin on July 1 through Aug. 31. More details when you stop by to pick up your Bingo Card!

Annual Retreat

We are still pulling together projects for the Annual Retreat, but feel free to sign up for this popular weekend now! As all of you know who have experienced it, space is limited and will be first come, first served. The rates for Friday through Sunday include (1) two nights' lodging, (2) a full lunch and dinner on Friday; breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday; and brunch on Sunday, (3) all classes (supplies are extra and will be available to purchase either before or during the retreat). If you wish to come Thursday, you will have lunch and dinner that day, breakfast Friday, plus an extra night's lodging. We can do Thursday only if we rent out at least 10 rooms; if that doesn't happen, we will simply begin on Friday as usual.

Note that after we pass 18 rooms booked, we will have a slight upcharge of \$15/room/night for Raystown's remaining rooms. We will let you know at signup if we need to do that; given the capacity of the ballroom where we are working, this should be very few people (and another reason to sign up now!).

We require a \$100 nonrefundable deposit at sign up, and we need full payment by March 20. We cannot give refunds of any kind after March 20, as Raystown precharges us. (You may, however, recruit a substitute to go in your place, and we will also keep a waiting list of anyone who wanted to go but asked after we were full or after the deadline.) Fee free to pay in smaller increments, as long as you have paid in full by March 20. We already can't wait!

Type of Room	Fri.-Sun. earlybird	Friday-Sunday after Feb. 1	Thurs.-Sun. Earlybird	Thurs.-Sun after Feb. 1.
Single	\$550	\$595	\$765	\$810
Double	\$475	\$525	\$735	\$765
Triple/Quad	\$435	\$500	\$705	\$740

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