



Lost Coast Spinnery Price List 2025

All prices are based on intake weight and include tumbling, washing, picking and carding. Should you choose a spin order it will also include spin, ply, steam/set and skeining to your choice of yardage. If you prefer yarn cakes instead of skeins (no extra charge). If you require cones (see below). This is to provide you with a clear and easy method to calculate your estimated cost from start to finish.

Roving (all wool types)	\$20.00 /lb standard size \$22.00/lb handspun \$24.00/pencil roving
Batts (wool)	\$20.00 per pound for 26 or 36 inches wide
Roving/batts (Huacaya)	\$26.00 /lb

This service includes 15 minutes of light skirting, 30 minutes tumbling, a pre-soak, 2 washes, air dry, picked and carded one run. If a second run through the carder is requested or needed due to shorts in the fiber or VM-that will be \$3.00 extra per pound into a cloud to give you the best possible yarn free of VM, hair (for the dual coated breeds that do not want them stripped of all character via the large de-hairer), shorts ect.

Skirting	\$50.00 per hour (save yourself a ton of \$ by skirting at home which also reduces your intake weight and therefore your cost!!)	
Spinning (all wool types)	\$34/lb for 2 ply (aran, worsted, DK, sport, bulky)	
	\$36/lb for 3 ply (aran, worsted, DK, sport, bulky)	\$2.

00 extra for fingering per pound

Spinning 100% Alpaca	Huacaya \$36-38/lb 2 or 3 ply (aran, worsted, DK, sport, bulky)
	Huacaya \$40-42/lb 2 or 3 ply (fingering)
	Suri (100%) \$41/lb extra to spin of choice
	Pygora \$33/lb

Add Ons

1. Set up fee for any order under the 10 pound minimum \$25.00
2. Washing of skeins \$5.00 per pound (this is completely unnecessary as we do not use spinning oils on your fiber nor do we use any adhesion spray to hold your fiber together through the milling process. We prefer a system as natural as possible. So please if you choose skein washing know that you are reducing your ROI for no added value to yourself or your customers).
3. If you want your roving cast off from the carder in measured ounces and bagged into 100% biodegradable bags for resale/shipping via your shop we are happy to do it in 4, 8 or 10 ounce bundles. That is an extra \$5.00/lb at the raw intake weight. Now we will require you to pick up if you choose this option as the cost of shipping the roving in this set up would be extremely costly to you as opposed to shipping the roving to you in a bump.

- 4. Handspinning.** Yes we do offer this service. Please note we have a number of master spinners that work with us. They choose what they will charge and what they will accept for work. As we are supporting women that work from home in fairly remote places within California we ask you to respect their decisions. We will not ask them to discount or barter for you. If they choose to offer deals, barter, trades or bulk discounts that is up to them. We do not profit from their work, skill or product. Our goal is simply to connect women in far flung areas of California with fair pay for their work, skill and decades they have dedicated to their craft. This includes having beanies spun in the grease which is great for people that work in the PNW.
- 5. Blending of any fiber \$5.00/lb** (no matter if it's 2/3/5 fibers-there is only a flat fee of \$5.00/lb. So if you need 20% Pygora, 10% Yak, 70% wool then it's \$5.00/lb for the total intake weight of the three you are having blended together. Each unit is weighed individually then put onto the carder, blended by hand on the belt to ensure consistency throughout your yarn. There is NO additional charge to ply different colors (barberpole). There is no additional charge to have two colors on the belt to create heathering. So if you are unsure just ask. Many of our services that are add on's at other mills are free at the Lost Coast Spinnery.
- 6. Custom Knitting or Crochet.** We do have a dedicated team of fine knitters. You can see some of their work on our social media accounts and on Ravelry. All of our knitting (custom order or knit on spec) is done from California wool and alpaca. Our Yak is sourced from Colorado and our Quivet is sourced from Palmer, Alaska.
- 7. Weaving.** We no longer offer weaving.
- 8. Wet Felting, hats, flats for clothing and sculptures.** Yes we also offer these services. And we are booked out until at least 2027 on flat wet felting for boiled wool jackets and hats. We have three amazing fiber artists that do sculpture (they work on spec and on commission). Again the mill does not profit from their work but we will continue to provide a community space and connection for people to engage and commission work from the talented pool of artists that exist all over the state.
- 9. 'Vegan' wool felted rugs.** There are three of us that make those. Each rug is handmade and the mill does do a few a year on spec. Two others work solely on commission. So ask how we can turn a fleece not good enough for spinning but too fine to compost into something beautiful and value added for your studio, home decor or resale.
- 10. Sheepskin rugs.** We do not personally process any of the mill sheep. However we are happy to connect tanners that can do beautiful work and they can create something for you that is done locally and without the industrial burden commercial tanners have.

Discounts 100 pounds 5% off 200-500 pounds 10% off over 500 pounds 15% off

We do NOT weigh our skeins. **Measurement is by yardage only**. If you want a yarn size matched please include a 5 inch sample. We can match nearly any size, twist or weight you desire. Return shipping is via UPS and USPS. Due to the increase in fuel we can no longer offer free shipping on yarn outside the state of California.

Options: Use of the Large Fiber Separator-Dehairer \$10 per pound. We are aware other mills charge far more for this service but since it costs us \$8/lb to run it we believe it is a fair value.

Heavy wools that require extra work will automatically have an additional \$5.00 per pound. These normally require pre-picking by hand to open the fiber before washing and at least two additional washes (total of 3) to remove the grease. **Cormo, Rambouillet, Merino, Il de France, Coopworth, Cotswold** are some examples. If you heavily grain your flock that will produce a heavier fleece but it will also add grease weight. Should we find your fiber needs an extra wash you will be notified and it will be added to your bill. *An easy way to determine your potential wash- dig clean hands into the fleece right down to the clip edge. Work your hands around the fleece. If you pull your hands out and they look shiny or suddenly feel baby soft and coated with something slick; that right there means you will be need an extra wash or two.* If your fiber is loaded with vegetable matter you will have the option of paying for the LFS to remove it before carding or stopping the process and picking up your fiber as a washed picked cloud. We cannot send organic material (chaff, seeds, burrs, grass) through the carder as it will transfer onto the next clients fiber.

Please note: The minimum to spin is ten pounds of dry raw fiber at intake. If you have less than that, not to worry. We can spin a fleece as small as five pounds however you will be charged a set up spinner for fee for anything under ten pounds due to the time it takes to dial in the spinners for each set.

Loss Ratio-be aware. Every time your fiber is run through the LFS (one pass is usually enough) or the carder once or twice (which is the industry standard), fiber is 'kicked out'. That is fiber the machine kicks out as undesirable for roving and spinning. It's fine for stuffing, making into dryer balls (as a core), mulching or gifting to wildlife for nesting material (except for the bits that get wrapped around the sprockets or grease fittings-that's fit for nothing but trash). If you wish the 'kick-out' to be returned to you, we are more than happy to bag and tag it for you. Otherwise it is discarded. So if you bring in an unskirted fleece, filled with VM, heavy grease, you add substantial weight (and thereby increase your cost for processing). Loss ratios on a pristine show quality fleece can still be as high as 30% depending on what the clients chooses as machine options. If you bring in a sub-par fleece filled with organic bits of chaff, sticky tips and you have not removed the neck, belly and back end wool- your loss ratio will be catastrophic. For the carders and spinners to give you back beautiful roving and yarn the fibers **must** be similar in length...take a good look at your flock. The fiber on their heads, legs, bellies is NOT the same as the fiber blanket that grows topside. We have no desire to do unnecessary work nor charge you for it. To that end-skirt well, shake out your fleeces, remove ALL BAD WOOL.

IF FOR SOME REASON YOU WANT THE KICK OUT AT EACH STAGE, BAGGED, TAGGED AND WEIGHED. I will charge you for the added time. I have to stop each machine. Clean it out individually, then tag and weigh then store each bag until you come to pick up your order.

That will be \$25.00 for each stop that requires a verified weigh tag. If you just want the whole lot bagged up for you. That's free. But time is money. So if I'm doing that that I'm not running the other machines and getting fiber moved through the system.

***Dyeing fiber is done on special request and for repeat clients only at this time. \$14/lb**

*Spinning your roving that was processed at another mill. Ask first. So far we've rejected most that has come through as they were not clean enough. However we are happy to process from roving to yarn any wool processed by Zeilinger (and yes we are aware they closed). Just be aware we have to run it back through the picker and recard it. We will deduct \$5.00 per pound of your spin fee to spin their fiber. However be sure your fiber was long enough to start with. Short fiber will leave noils in the roving that will reduce the quality of your yarn. Fiber to be spun **MUST** be at least 3. inches long especially the downy breeds that have a lot of bounce. They must be able to be drafted on the spinners. We accept may Babydoll, Southdown, Suffolk, Hampshire, Clun Forest, Polypay on a case by case basis and other very short fiber breeds but be aware so far it's all been made into roving. If your fiber is under 2.5 inches (not pulled) we will not accept it for any processing. If we test your fiber on the small spinner (which is set up to the shortest possible draft zone) and it pulls apart then it cannot be machine spun. Your order will only be pencil roving and charged as such. While we pride ourselves on taking the extra time and attention to produce the highest quality yarn we can from the fiber sent to us we can't do more than the machine specs allow. If we can spin it for you we will.

The better quality fiber you send in the better the quality of the product you will be returned. Please skirt well. We will not accept fleeces riddled with burs and woodchips. If one is missed and gets into the machine it requires a shutdown and clean out. **Remove neck, belly and bum wool. No fecal material nor urine soaked fleeces. Most dander can be washed out however Scurf cannot. Should your fiber be found to have excessive scurf your fiber will be returned to you or disposed of. We will NOT process it.**

All incoming fleeces will be examined with a magnifying glass to ensure no bug debris and NO SCURF. If you are told you have an infested Scurfy fleece we will gladly give a peer-reviewed Veterinary study on how to clear Scurf from your flock. If one sheep has it it's only a matter of time before the rest do. If you have questions -ask. We are happy to help people new to the fiber world but alas...mind readers we are not. So email, text, send a message or ask in person but we can't help you if you don't ask.

Please use clear bags and be sure your wool is NOT damp when you bring it in. Damp wool filled with material that should be skirted out will not be accepted. All fiber shipped will be

priced at the weight on the shipping label. All fiber brought in will be weighed in front of you and a confirmation signature of the weight is required by the person responsible for paying. We don't like adding these requirements but sadly we have found them to be necessary due to a few bad apples.

We do our best to have a reasonable turnaround time however equipment failures, weather, employees being sick or worse an order that sets us back weeks due to fiber issues can destroy a mills schedule. Special requests for completion dates will be noted but we cannot guarantee them. We will no longer accept rush orders. Any fiber that arrives containing moths, lice or other fiber damaging bugs will be documented and promptly disposed of. We cannot expose other clients material to contaminants. Fiber that is rejected must be picked up by the client, or can be shipped at your cost. Disposal is free.

Written estimates from high to low are gladly provided so clients know exactly what the potential range is. However - be aware- if you choose to pay in advance or pay in full, should we find your fiber requires more work than was written on the lowest estimate we will contact you and get written authorization for the additional work before we start. The additional fees will be due upon pickup or a tracking number issued. No fiber will leave the mill without being paid in full and signed for.

50% of the total estimate is due at drop off. You will be updated after the start of carding if your fiber requires anything extra. Final payment is due when order is complete (when you are notified it is done or a tracking number has been provided for shipped orders). If not paid within 10 days a storage fee will be added of \$10/per day.

After your final invoice is past due 21 days we will only accept cash or certified bank check. This is to avoid incidents that have been reported at other mills and unfortunately at ours as well. Bad checks at the last minute or paying by credit card, taking the processed fiber then disputing the charge. Or worse-loading the fiber and stealing it with no intention to ever pay the due bill.

After 30 days of non-payment your order will be voided and your fiber becomes the property of the mill. No funds or fiber will be returned after 30 days. We will be forced to sell your fiber to cover the loss.

As with all mills-prices are subject to change. However if you pay in full on drop off-you will only owe for additional work done should it be needed (extra wash, carding)...your price for spinning will be locked in. Should you decide that you will require extra washing or perhaps carding that can be paid at drop off. Should we find that it was not in fact needed to give you top quality fiber back you will be notified via email and refunded the difference on pick-up. All confirmations of work orders accepted, changes, modifications, estimates and invoices will be

done only through email or text. We will no longer accept voice confirmation via voicemail or phone call for additional work requested. All fiber that leaves the mill upon completion of a clients order will be paid in FULL and signed for.

These are our terms and conditions. By hiring the mill to process your fiber you acknowledge and accept these terms and conditions. We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone however we won't discriminate. We will not refuse service because of religion, race, age, physical ability, national origin, orientation or the language you prefer; however you must be of legal age to enter into a contract with the mill.