



Josef Fidler

Pure handwork

Josef Fidler has been in weaving business for 20 years. His domain is cotton and acrylic hand-woven scarves. The scarves are made from gentle cotton and acrylic yarn that provide demanded softness. Hlinsko Scarves (Hlinecké šály) collection includes traditional motives, colours and patterns typical for Hlinecko region. The weaving technique has been kept the same with the use of four-blade weaving loom, cotton and acrylic yarn.

Josef Fidler produces also tablecloths, bags and rags. He presents his work on fairs in Hlinsko and Veselý Kopec. All the products can be ordered by phone, email or personally at Mr. Fidler's house.

The following products have been certified with "Hlinecko Quality":

- Hlinsko Scarves (Hlinecké šály)



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Scarves made of acrylic yarn – the pattern called twill-weave is created by stripes and squares. Diamond ornaments are created from its derivatives. These scarves are made for colder periods of the year.

Scarves made of cotton yarn – basic colour is always white. Scarves are designed to be worn in spring or summer.

The manufacturing process on the loom:

The first and the most important thing is preparation of well-woven warp. At this stage threads in desired number and width are wound on the warp beam. The next step is guiding threads into sheets (harness) and beam. The sheets are wooden frames, inside which heddles are placed on wires. The warp is guided into sheets and then to a beam guide, a steel comb with slits which extend thread. The beam divels threads and thrusts weft to the edge of the fabric. The weft thread crosses the fabric and determines the width.

Stepping on treadles 1 and 3 certain threads are lifted, the warp is fed through the gap and treadles 2 and 4 are stepped on. Sheets are switched and threads are turned over. The warp is switched and thrust by the weft. And the procedure is repeated until the end.

After weaving the fabric is removed from the loom, carefully checked, mistakes are repaired, fringing knots are made on the edge to prevent fraying of threads. Scarves are then washed, dried, ironed and ready to make a new owner happy.