

Test Spin

When I planned the trip to Rhinebeck, I definitely wanted to get a spindle, and my first immediate goal was to head to The Journey Wheel booth, where I bought a mini maple straight from Jonathan Bosworth himself (he was doing cash). Thrilled!

Then there was the serendipity of going past Gale's Art booth and seeing some Trindles, so I bought one of them. And she gave me a little of her mixed BFL for playing with (I love a vendor who knows what is going to happen back at the hotel room.

Along the test spin, I had a bad moment after returning home this week. The Trindle, with its removable arms, can obviously have them come out unexpectedly. In heading to the Apple store this week for a repair to the Macbook (water spill in hotel room, don't ask), I was showing a knitter I found in the store (ironically a new employee at the LYS that I occasionally teach at) my spindle, and only two arms could be seen. ACK! It wasn't until I got home and tore apart my bag that I found the missing part tucked in a small slip. So, my rule with the trindle is to have a small bag with the arms in it and not on the shaft whenever it is going out of the apartment.

I decided to spin singles with the Trindle, and ply with the Bossie, just because. And I love them for completely different reasons, like having two favorite children who are unique and fun and going to give you pleasure in completely different ways.

Trindle -- My trindle is all sparkley and fun - it's like spinning with a grown-up tinker-toy, and spins well, in a more robust way.

Bossie -- It just is very smooth - it whizzes around with nary a peep out of it, and like it wants to be high performance in an understated and very Yankee way, kinda like a BMW.

So, having spun the BFL, which looks fabulous:

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I am now plying some fiber tasting that I spun a long time ago (I think it is ~~alpaca~~ **camel?**) that I bought long ago, Navajo-plying, and with some polwarth I did as a test spin a bit ago, I have a total of 50 grams, which should be enough to make a lacy cowl.