

## Enabling, the Stitches West Edition

"My name is Renee, and I may have bought some fiber."

That's what I said (or pretty close) after lunch on Saturday at Stitches West as I returned to my Spinning for Socks class with the lovely Janel Laidman. It was that I bought all that much - two 4 oz. of top, and a couple of skeins of sale sock yarn doesn't nearly qualify. But I had helped my friend Liz quite a bit -- I do have to admit that I probably enabled her more than she would have done on her own.

I might have even helped a friend not at Stitches buy yarn if I'd been more organized. I was going to take photos of yarn she might want and send them to her for approval. But I only managed to remember to take my camera out at Miss Babs with the Yowza skeins:



and then was too tired to send them until Saturday morning. Sigh. I shouldn't have promised.

To be honest, I haven't bought *all* that much at Stitches for a while. A few years ago, I kinda

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went hog wild, and it took about three years for everything to disappear from my stash, and I even used some of the last of this during the last year. That was a lesson that I learned - if I'm not going to use it soon (as in, the next couple of months) I probably should wait.

So, here's the smallish haul from Stitches - I got a very cute Chica bag because I was filling up all the small project bags that I had, and a lovely mug from the Head to Toe preemie hat project organized by [The Knitmore Girls](#).



And here's a photo of the preemie hats, which come out to be very cute in sock yarn!

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*Edited to add* Patterns used for these hats (ravelry links): [Brioche Baby Hat](#), [Elise Zigzag Baby Hat](#), and a simple 2-by-2 rib hat - I think I used [Bev's Baby Ribs Hat](#).