

Ask Janet Byl about the day that a Cochrane fabric store came up for sale, and her face will light up as if she was telling you that she just bought Disneyland. Because for crafty types - Addie's Creative Fabrics is the magic kingdom.



The sparkling smile of owner Janet Byl welcomes you at Addie's Creative Fabrics

## stitched up in Cochrane



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Canada Day Verandah Quilt Show  
Addie's Creative Fabrics  
420 First St. W Cochrane

This annual show is sponsored by the Big Hill Quilt Guild and Addie's and features an incredible variety of quilts and creative fabric art pieces. Enjoy the sheer volume of work on display, talk with quilters, and appreciate the diversity of styles and techniques. Authors, stained glass artists, potters and other local artisans complement the creative mix of this special event.



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Quilts of Valour / [quiltsofvalour.ca](http://quiltsofvalour.ca)

Ensuring that injured Canadian Forces members are recognized for their service and commitment to our country, Quilts of Valour presents handmade quilts to comfort past and present Canadian Forces members in their time of need. Quilts are made and given to veterans of all ages as well as injured military personnel on their return to Canada.

Push open the heavy golden oak doors of this Victorian-style home and prepare to be overwhelmed by the riot of well-organized colour. You'll likely be met by the sound of laughter burbling up the stairs from the classrooms beneath. And your eyes, well quite frankly they won't know where to start looking. But if you're like most, caught standing doe-eyed in the doorway, you'll soon be scooped up by Janet Byl and taken under her wing. Janet owns this gorgeous store and has shared her infectious smile with visitors and regular customers for the past eight years.

To all the fellas out there who might choose to sit in the truck and wait this one out - you're going to be pleasantly surprised. Several local artisans add to the selection of colourful works in this shop with woodworking, creative tiles, photography and pottery. Plenty to enjoy while your better half is swept away, ogling the thousands of metres of fabric, patterns, notions and featured art quilts on display and for sale.

Don't know your "log cabin" from your "flock of geese"? No problem. A full roster of classes can be found online, and crafters can often be found sharing tips around a table or encouraging one another. "Sometimes our customers stop in just to be cheered up by our staff or for the supportive atmosphere in our store", Janet says with a smile. She invites everyone to come venture into the new world of creativity by putting their unique stamp on the age-old traditions of quilting and knitting.

Quilters will want to inquire about the Row by Row Experience carried at the shop. It is a North American program that celebrates your region through a theme that changes yearly. Addie's is a proud participant along with about 2,600 other quilt shops. This year's theme is "Home Sweet Home". Addie's has designed and prepared a kit that can be purchased from June 21st to Sept. 6th. An example of a completed row hangs in the store. There is a prize given for the first quilter to complete eight rows.

Addie's Creative Fabrics is also a contributor and sponsor of the Festival of Quilts held each year at Heritage Park in Calgary. Janet facilitates a number of workshops during the festival that draw quilters from around the province. She travels as well, visiting quilting shows all over Alberta and BC. At home in Cochrane, Addie's regularly donates space to long standing community groups such as Knit & Natter, the Naughty Hookers, Wild Rose Stitchers (a chapter of The Appliqué Society) and Quilts of Valour. These groups meet for the enjoyment and shared love of creating as well as to give back to the community through donations and fundraising.

Have you recently found a quilted treasure in your grandmother's attic? Have your quilt appraised by Dawn Hunt, Western Canada's only AQS certified quilt appraiser. In-store machine servicing is also available. Contact Addie's to book appointments. Subscribe to the Addie's newsletter and follow along on Facebook for the latest news, updates, events.

Follow your inspiration to Cochrane and discover why Addie's Creative Fabrics has been a destination of choice for creative types over the years. Janet will be waiting for you at the door.

Full service quilting & knitting  
Knowledgeable staff  
Excellent selection  
Inspired artist works & gifts



Your destination for creativity



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