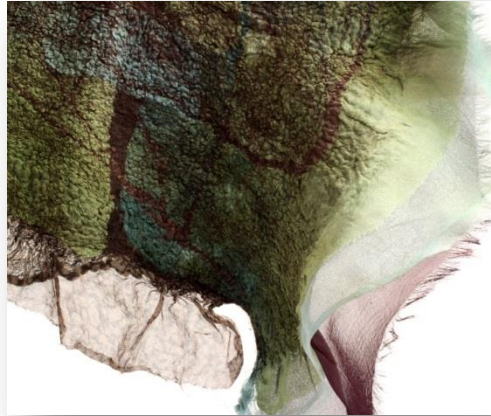


NUNO FELTING - ALL THINGS SILK

*with Nancy Ballesteros
3-5 day workshop*



This workshop will focus on un-locking the potential of a variety of silk fibres and fabrics for nuno felt making. We will tackle handling silk hankies, silk laps and silk throwsters waste. The beauty of silk paper making will be explored. A variety of silk fabrics will form the base for scarves, wraps or aprons which will be covered in an explosion of silk textures - using wool only as the glue. Patterns will be supplied for a variety of apron styles. Emphasis will be place on QUALITY FELT. Specific fulling techniques will be taught to ensure proper felting. Embellishment ideas to be explored as time allows, particularly machine and hand embroidery.



Nancy Ballesteros (Perth, Western Australia)

Nancy Ballesteros has passionately worked with fabric all her life. She spent most of her childhood sewing and then was introduced to spinning, felting and dyeing during study breaks at university. These elements quickly took over as her life's passion and she hatched a fibre business called Treetops Colour Harmonies in 1987. Since moving to Australia in 1990, Treetops continued to grow into a successful international web-based company offering felting supplies for discerning felt makers. She has taught felting for many years before taking a break to raise her two children and run Treetops. Nancy was instrumental in developing the technique of Silk 'Paper'. She has written about felting in numerous publications and participated in many workshops and master classes.

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