

## Equipment Loan Deposits

Drum Carder	£250
Inkle Loom (2)	£30
Ashford Traveller Spinning Wheel	£250
Ashford Warping Mill	£100
Flick Carders (2 sets)	£10
Hand Carders (2 sets)	£10
Blending Board	£100
Wool Combs*	£100
Ashford E-spinner	£250
Ashford 8-shaft 40 cm Table Loom	£300
Ashford Knitters Loom 30 cm	£100
Ashford Knitters Loom 50 cm	£175
Swing Wool Picker	£240

\* Stored with Kathy Wright

# Equipment for Hire

The Guild owns the equipment listed below which is available to paid-up members to hire. Please contact the Treasurer (Lesley Hill) at a Guild Meeting if you wish to hire any item.

- A cheque for the purchase price of the relevant item is required as a deposit - this will be returned to the hirer when he/she brings the item back to the Guild.
- The hire charge is £10.00 per month for a maximum period of one month. There is no hire charge for the hand or flicker carders, but the maximum period remains one month.

Please note:

- Members are advised that they use all items of equipment at their own risk and they must complete and sign a form for hiring the equipment.
- Equipment must be returned in the same condition in which it was received.
- There are many good videos on the internet showing how to use the equipment, including YouTube and the Ashford website (<https://www.ashford.co.nz>) which also has instruction booklets for most products.



## Drum Carder

### **Care of the Drum Carder**

- *Before returning the drum carder, please ensure all fibres are removed from both the lick-in, main drum and any that have wound around the drum shafts.*
- *Only use the carder for clean, dry fleece - please do not use for fleece "in the grease".*
- *An occasional drop of sewing machine oil on the bearings can be beneficial if the carder is cranking hard.*
- *The teeth should not be left damp or wet for extended periods.*
- *The carder should not be left in direct, hot sunlight outdoors or in a window. Expansion and dehydration can warp the drums and/or frame.*

<https://www.ashford.co.nz/tutorials/carding-tutorials>



## Inkle Loom (2)

Inkle looms are designed to weave several yards of narrow fabric for articles such as belts, sashes, ties, bookmarks, bracelets, hair bands, guitar straps, bag handles, dog collars or even unique shoelaces. Inkle weaving is ideal for beginners as the looms are easy to warp and weave.

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## Ashford Traveller Spinning Wheel

*Small, classic upright castle wheel, with a built-in lazy kate for plying.*

### **Care of the Traveller:**

*As with all spinning wheels, please oil the wheel regularly (with sewing-machine oil or 30-weight motor oil), after every 2-4 hours of use. Oil wherever there is a metal moving part.*

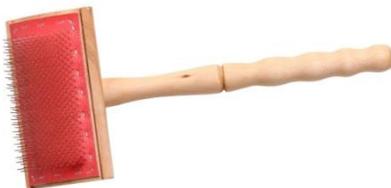
*The spinning wheel should be free of dust, dirt, old grease, fibre, and debris before you apply a fresh coat of oil to the various metal parts.*



## Ashford Warping Mill

This rotating mill is for quick and easy warping with the strain taken by the strong uprights

Warpes up to 15m (50ft)



## Flick Carders (2 sets)

A flick carder is a very handy little tool which will open up staples quickly and efficiently for spinning or preparing staples for drum carding.

**Care of Flick Carders:** *please remove all fibres from the teeth before returning the carders.*



## Hand Carders (2 sets)

Hand-carding is a traditional method of preparing fleece and fibres for spinning soft, lofty yarns of varying fibre lengths. The purpose for carding is to separate and straighten the wool fibres. The result is a batt or rolag of lofty wool that makes spinning easier.

**Care of Hand Carders:** *please remove all fibres from the teeth before returning the carders.*



## Blending Board

The blending board is the perfect tool for creating exciting, multi-coloured rolags for spinning, or batts for felting. It differs from other carding tools in that it allows you to 'paint' with fibre over a large, flat area of carding cloth to create controlled layers of fibre.

**Care of Blending Board:** please use a brush to remove all fibres from the teeth before returning the blending board.

<https://www.ashford.co.nz/tutorials/carding-tutorials>



## Wool Combs

Before you use this item, please ensure you are trained on its use by a Guild Committee Member.

Combing the fibres removes the short fibres and arranges the fibre in a flat bundle, with all the fibres going the same direction. This preparation is commonly used to spin a worsted yarn.

**Care of Wool Combs:**

*Please take care with the combs so as not to bend the tines. Please ensure the tines are cleaned and dried after use.*



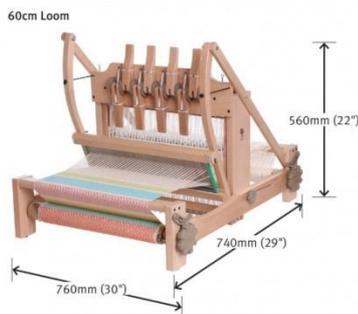
## Ashford E-spinner

Battery operated, portable spinner.

Please read the instructions carefully before using the e-spinner.

If you haven't been given the instructions, you will find them on the Ashford website:

[https://www.ashford.co.nz/images/download\\_pdfs/assembly/e\\_spinner.pdf](https://www.ashford.co.nz/images/download_pdfs/assembly/e_spinner.pdf)



## Ashford 40 cm 8-shaft Table Loom

Popular because they are portable. The loom folds flat, even with your weaving in place.

There are instructions on the Ashford website on how to warp up the loom.

<https://www.ashford.co.nz/tutorials/weaving-tutorials>



## Ashford Knitters Loom 30 cm

The loom is ultra-portable being lightweight, compact and folds in half – even with your weaving in place.

<https://www.ashford.co.nz/tutorials/weaving-tutorials>

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## Ashford Knitters Loom 50 cm

With 7.5 dents per inch (dpi), 10 dpi, 12.5 dpi and 15 dpi.

<https://www.ashford.co.nz/tutorials/weaving-tutorials>

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## Swing Wool Picker (Minty)

Before you use this item, please ensure you are trained on its use by a Guild Committee Member.

A picker is used to separate the locks of wool before it is carded or spun. The picker opens up the locks which makes it easier to card the fleece.

### **Care of Wool Picker:**

- *Please remove all fibres and dirt from the picker before returning it.*
- *Only use the carder for clean, dry fleece - please do not use for fleece "in the grease".*
- *The teeth should not be left damp or wet for extended periods.*