



Rachel Coopey makes pretty things, including several for Twist Collective. She is a sock specialist, but also designs other wonderful accessories. She is our featured designer today in our fifth anniversary interview series, which you can check out all of [here](#). You can find out more about Rachel and her lovely work on her [website](#).



([Chamomile](#), [Cays](#), [Apple Catchers](#))

1. How did you learn to knit?

My grandmother was always knitting, she taught me how to knit when I was very little and I churned out little garter stitch squares using her scraps and left-overs. When I was 16 I asked my mother to give me a refresher and I knit an incredibly long scarf, it's far from perfect but I've still got it and wear it.

2. What's your favorite thing to knit?

Socks! They can be intricate and elegant, they are little works of art for your feet and most importantly I hate having cold feet!

3. What's your favorite design you did for Twist Collective and why?

My favorite design is Chamomile, everything came together so nicely with that one, the yarn, the color, the motif, I'm really proud of it.

4. If you weren't a designer, what do you think you'd be doing with all the extra time you'd have?

I would do more in the garden and grow more fruit and vegetables, I'm lucky enough to have a large, but neglected, garden.

5. Finish this sentence: If everyone knew how to knit...

maybe I wouldn't get so many strange looks when I knit on public transport!



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