



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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