

Kittycat Chair Pad or Trivet #215**Instructor: Rose Robertson-Smith****Class Dates: Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10, 2026:****3 Tuesdays at 7pm EST over Zoom****Level:** Intermediate**Folds:** LO**Prerequisite:** Must know how to butt by any method

Braid a sweet kitty cat chair pad and trivet in this class! Start with a trivet, and learn how to braid the corners that make the ears. Continue with a larger chair pad and two butted rows for the ears. These make lovely gifts for the cat-lover in your life!

**Skills Covered in Class:**

- T-Start
- Double Corners
- Lacing on Curves with Skips
- Tapering
- Inside and Outside Corners
- Butted Braid Start
- Shaping the Ears
- Lacing Stacked Corners (chair pad only)
- Butting the Braid(s)
- Finishing (Pressing, etc.)

Class 1: Trivet. Making a T-Start; braiding 5 double corners; braiding the first 4 rows; lacing the center and discussing the skip pattern for the next rows.

Homework: Lace the first 4 rows up to where the taper begins. Start braiding the chair pad as well.

Class 2: Tapering the trivet's center; braiding the outer row with inside and outside corners to make the kittycat ears. Lacing and butting the outer row of the trivet.

Homework: Finish the trivet; continue braiding the chair pad and in the 6th row, taper to end the braid.

Class 3: Braid the two outer rows of the chair pad with cornered ears. Learn how to lace the cornered braid onto the center, and how to stack corners while lacing.

Homework: Finish braiding and butting the kittycat chair pad.



Supplies: Usual braiding supplies.

Fabric: About $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ yard for the trivet; about 1-1/4 yard for the chair pad.

Teacher Bio: Rose learned to braid from classes at Dorr Mill in 2006. Since then, she has taught rug braiding locally in her home, at community centers, and at braiding conferences. She has an Etsy shop, Idlewild Wool, where she sells recycled wool from used clothing. In addition to braiding, Rose is a seamstress, doll-maker, gardener, and enjoys smocking. She runs a bed and breakfast – Lucinda’s House -- from her historic property near Nashville.

