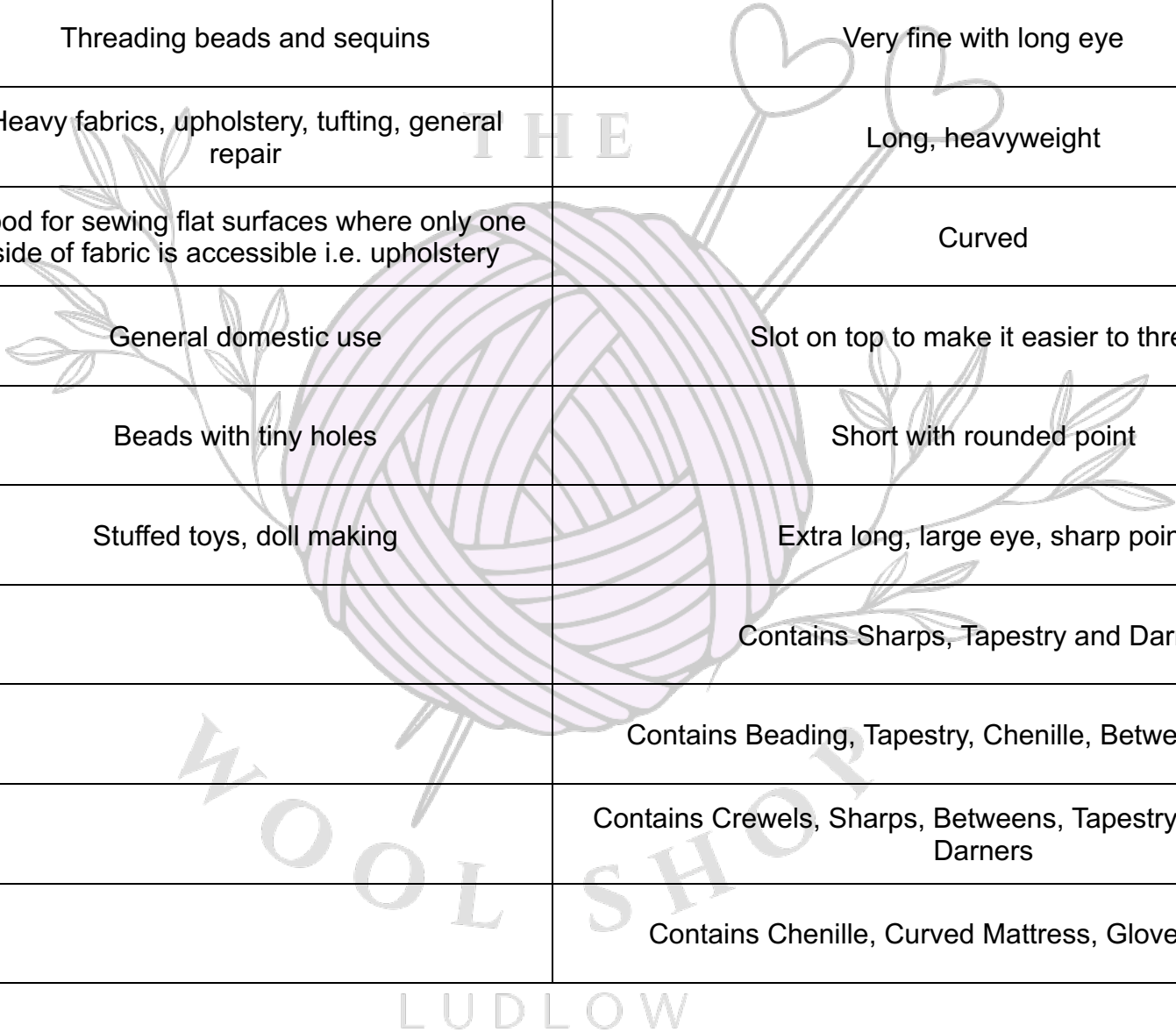


Know Your Needles

Needle Type	Use	Additional Comments
Sharps	Domestic hand sewing	Sharp point, round eye, medium length Larger sizes are used for heavy duty materials
Straws	Fine hand sewing good for basting, pleating and decorative stitches	Sharp point, round eye
Between	Fine stitches on heavy fabric and intricate stitching and hand sewing.	Sharp point, round eye but shorter than sharps. Larger sizes used for hand quilting
Crewels	Embroidery work on tightly woven non-mesh fabric	Also known as embroidery needles. Sharp point, round and longer eye, medium length
Short Darners	Mending and darning with wool and cotton	Longer than a crewel but with sharp point and longer eye. Larger sizes used for heavy duty darning.
Glovers	Leather garments / accessories	Have a triangulated blade on taper so as to not tear and can pierce through several layers
Tapestry	Counted cross-stitch, tapestry and needlepoint	Long eye for easy threading, blunt ended so goes easily through weave of canvas/Aida
Chenille	Heavy embroidery work in closely woven materials	Similar to tapestry with extra long eye and very sharp point



Beading	Threading beads and sequins	Very fine with long eye
Straight Mattress	Heavy fabrics, upholstery, tufting, general repair	Long, heavyweight
Curved Mattress	Good for sewing flat surfaces where only one side of fabric is accessible i.e. upholstery	Curved
Easy threading	General domestic use	Slot on top to make it easier to thread
Ballpoint	Beads with tiny holes	Short with rounded point
Doll	Stuffed toys, doll making	Extra long, large eye, sharp point
Household		Contains Sharps, Tapestry and Darners
Craft Needles		Contains Beading, Tapestry, Chenille, Betweens, Crewels
Assorted Needles		Contains Crewels, Sharps, Betweens, Tapestry, Short Darners, Darners
Repair Kit		Contains Chenille, Curved Mattress, Glovers, Darners