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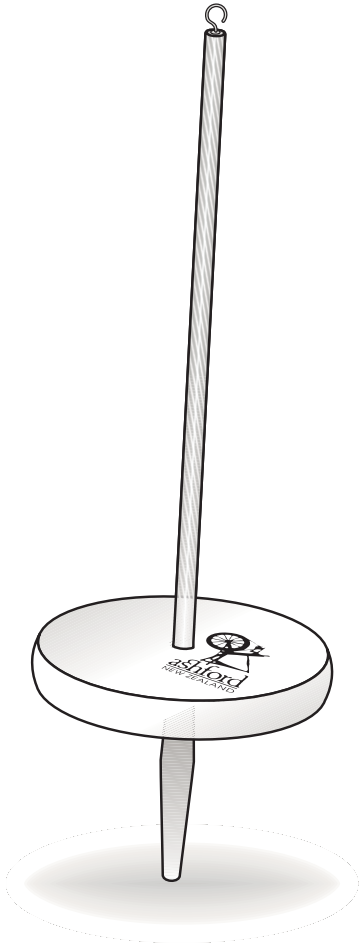
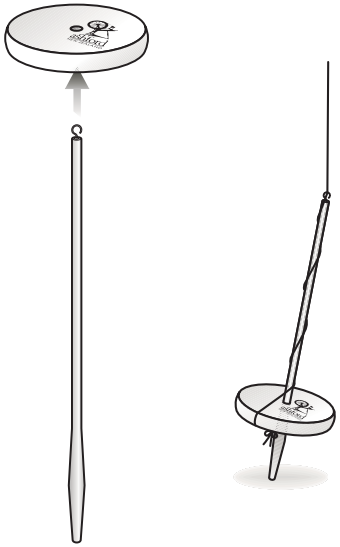
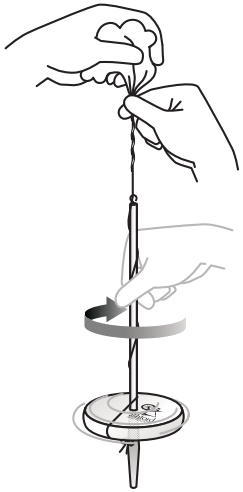
Classic Drop Spindle

The original way to spin soft textured yarns.

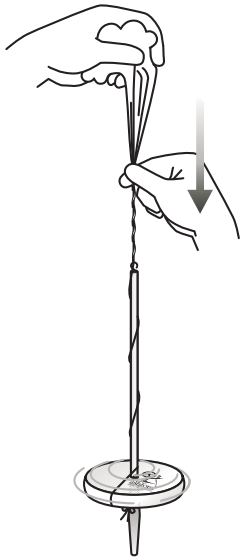




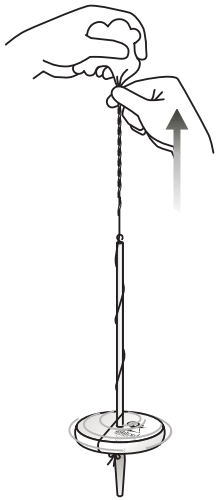
1 Assemble the spindle. Tie a leader (a piece of yarn 1m/40) to the shaft under the whorl, wrap it around the shaft & under the hook.



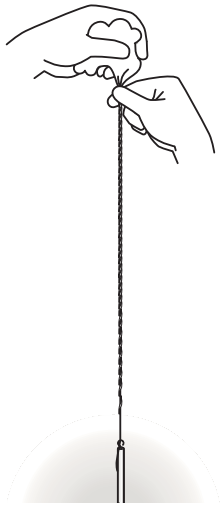
2 Spin the spindle clockwise & allow the leader to join onto your prepared fibres.



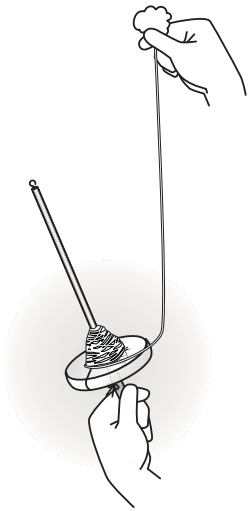
3 While keeping the leader pinched with one hand, draft the fibres down.



4 Slowly slide your fingers back up the drafted fibres allowing the twist to follow. Once twisted, the yarn will support the weight of the spindle.



5 Keep the spindle spinning while drafting more yarn until the spindle reaches the floor.



6 Wind the yarn around the shaft to form a cone & then repeat the process.
Slide the cone off the shaft & use either as a single or ply 2 together with the spindle spinning anti-clockwise.

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