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Woven and embroidered textures

Eye and hand

I remain fascinated by the ingenuity of nature, which offers us materials, textures, colors, incredibly varied.

The curve of a tortuous root seeking the humidity of the earth, that of a branch turned towards the light, a feather lost by a passing bird, a few pebbles sown and smoothed on the beach, iridescent reflections at the bottom of a creek, just look, everything is close at hand !

Association of ideas

I have always liked the mixture of materials, textiles, creating new passages between objects or materials whose patient assembly reveals a poetry of the moment, a hidden beauty, a new energy.

The warp and the weft, the fixed and the movement. The load-bearing structure and the life that weaves itself. Vertical and horizontal.

At each crossing, a meeting point; between, a connected space. The colors, the material, the contrasts, the tension, the canvas that is created, the hand that accompanies, guides, decides, caresses. The sweetness, the surly. The shuttle or the needle that sneaks in, back and forth, back and forth, in a tireless, insatiable dance, punctuating the progress of time, the progression of the canvas.

Here we find the fundamental elements that inspired me, **the earth**, the mineral, the seeds, **the air**, the wind, the movement, the sky, **the water**, the shores, travels, and **wood, the plant**, source of fibre. What riches!

Create links

My initial training as a facilitator and my long experience at the Auberge du Cèdre in Lauret have always led me to create human links: from an improbable encounter the unexpected arises, revealing new potential.

Meet-Weave-Link are intertwined: we build a relationship, become friends, weave a project, weave networks, without ever losing our Ariadne's thread...

Here, it is the material that calls for the gesture, and in my creative peregrinations, suddenly an obviousness arises, a passage opens, the beginning of a story.

This constructive improvisation is a journey that is reinvented each time. A kind of meditation-concentration, in counterpoint to a lively life.

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