



## VIATT 2026: The Gateway to Textile Innovation

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We are thrilled to announce our participation in the **2026 Vietnam International Trade Fair for Apparel, Textiles and Textile Technologies (VIATT)**. As Southeast Asia's premier sourcing event, VIATT 2026 serves as our stage to showcase the "Ecology" of textile balancing ecology and economy.

### Exhibition Highlights:

**The Innovation Lab Corner:** This year, we are introducing a dedicated **Testing Lab Corner**. Visitors can witness firsthand the rigorous quality standards and R&D processes behind our latest textile breakthroughs.

**New Product Premiere:** We will be exhibiting our 2026/27 collection, featuring GRS-certified recycled fibers and high-tenacity materials designed for the modern market.

### Celebrating 57 Years: Beyond the Woven Horizon

Founded in 1969 While our roots are firmly planted in premium polyester woven fabrics, our future is limitless. We are proudly "Moving Forward" by expanding our expertise across the entire textile spectrum:

**Knits & Wovens:** Advanced circular and warp knitting for unparalleled comfort and stretch.

**Technical & Industrial:** High-performance fabrics designed for protective gear and automotive applications.

We no longer limit ourselves to a single category. Whether it is fashion, function, or industrial utility, Universal Textile is weaving the future.

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# Synergy in Motion: Universal Textile and Chain Yarn Vietnam Join Forces to Redefine the Future of Knitting

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As we move into 2026, Universal Textile is proud to announce a landmark strategic partnership with Chain Yarn Vietnam. This collaboration marks a significant milestone in our global supply chain expansion, merging our decades of industry-leading expertise in woven fabrics with Chain Yarn's specialized mastery in innovative knitting.

By integrating these two worlds, we are now uniquely positioned to provide a comprehensive "one-stop" textile solution that meets the growing global demand for comfort, flexibility, and high-performance functionality.

## The Power of the Loop: Why Knitting?

While our partners and clients know Universal Textile for the structure and precision of woven fabrics, our expansion into knitting opens a new realm of possibilities. Unlike woven structures—where warp and weft yarns intersect at right angles—knitting is a technique where yarn is manipulated into a series of interconnected loops. This unique architecture grants knitted fabrics several key advantages:

**Superior Elasticity:** The loop structure allows the fabric to stretch and recover effortlessly, making it the gold standard for yoga wear, activewear, and intimate apparel.

**Unmatched Softness:** Because the yarns are less tightly constrained than in a weave, knitted products offer a "second-skin" feel that is breathable and gentle on the skin.

**Versatile Applications:** From cozy sweaters and cardigans to high-performance moisture-



(wicking tees, knitting covers the spectrum of modern lifestyle needs.

## Technical Excellence: Our New Capabilities

Through our partnership with Chain Yarn Vietnam, we are upgrading our manufacturing services in Binh Duong Province to include both Weft Knitting (Single Jersey, Rib, and Interlock) and Warp Knitting (Tricot and Power Mesh).

Our 2026 collection will showcase advanced techniques, including:

**Functional Fiber Integration:** Utilizing Chain Yarn's specialty in Nylon 6 and 66 to offer cooling, anti-bacterial, and eco-friendly recycled yarns.

**Seamless Stability:** While single-knit fabrics are prone to "edge curling" due to internal stress, our combined R&D teams have developed finishing processes that ensure dimensional stability without sacrificing softness.

## The Best of Both Worlds

At Universal Textile, we believe the future of fashion lies in the "Hybrid Wardrobe." By combining our structured woven knowledge (ideal for professional tailoring and outerwear) with Chain Yarn's knitting prowess (ideal for leisure and performance), we are helping our clients bridge the gap between formal elegance and athletic comfort.

"This partnership isn't just about adding machines; it's about adding a new dimension of creativity to our clients' collections," says our regional leadership.

We are weaving and knitting the next chapter of textile innovation.

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## The Jersey Revolution: From Fisherman's Secret to 2026's Essential Comfort

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Every garment has a story, but few can claim a heritage as rugged as Jersey fabric. Long before it became a staple of modern luxury, Jersey was born from necessity on the wind-swept English Channel Island of its namesake.

### The Fisherman's Secret

In the Middle Ages, the Channel Islands were the heart of the knitting world. The original Jersey was a heavy, elastic wool fabric designed to protect fishermen from salt spray. It was a "functional" fabric long before the term existed—valued for its warmth and incredible stretch.

It wasn't until the 20th century that Jersey made its leap into high fashion. Since then, it has evolved from utility cloth into a versatile canvas of cotton, wool, and synthetic blends.

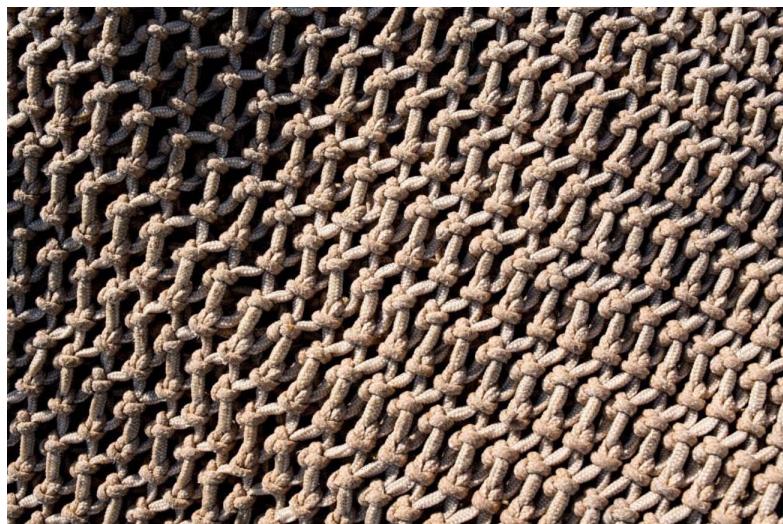
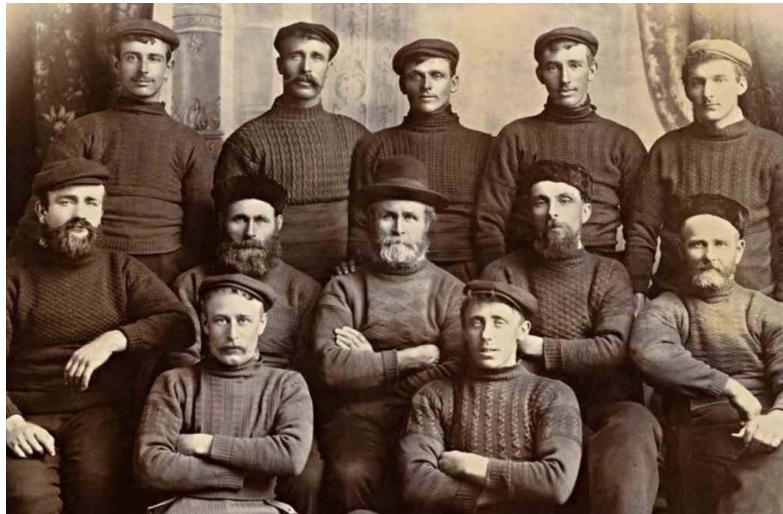
### The Anatomy of a Loop

What makes Jersey feel so different from a crisp office shirt? It all comes down to the architecture of the stitch. While woven fabrics cross yarns like a grid, Jersey is created by interlocking loops of yarn.

This "loop-and-pull" structure gives Jersey its defining characteristics:

**The Signature "V":** Look closely at your favorite T-shirt; you'll see a sea of tiny "V" shapes. Flip it over, and you'll find the "Purl" side—a texture of small semicircles.

**Natural Give:** Because the loops can expand, Jersey offers natural horizontal stretch even without added elastic fibers.



(The "Curl" Factor: True to its single-layer nature, raw Jersey edges tend to curl toward the face—a technical challenge we solve through advanced finishing.

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### Looking Ahead

In 2026, the boundary between "work" and "leisure" continues to blur. Our strategic partnership in Vietnam ensures we aren't just following this trend—we are knitting it. Whether you need the heritage feel of a wool-blend Jersey or the futuristic performance of a synthetic Interlock, Universal Textile is ready to bring your vision to life with the perfect loop.



### Lunar New Year & Holiday Notice

Wishing you a prosperous and successful **Year of the Horse!** Please be advised of our upcoming holiday schedule for the Taiwan office:

**Lunar New Year Closure:** February 14 –February 22

*Work resumes on February 23.*

**Public Holiday:** February 27 (Office Closed)

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