





VALDESE WEAVERS Valdese

THOMAS BUILT BUSES High Point

JARRETT BAY BOATWORKS Beaufort

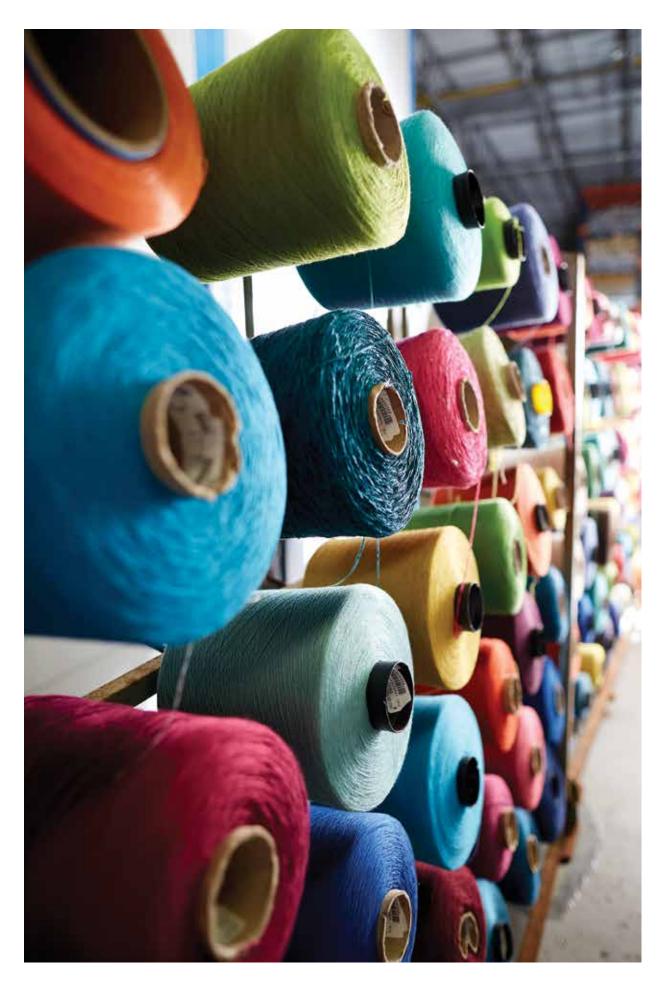
PHOTO ESSAY

CRAFTED in Carolina

In factories across the state, innovative minds and skilled hands, heritage and hard work, bring mere ideas into being. At Valdese Weavers in the mountains, Thomas Built Buses in the Piedmont, and Jarrett Bay Boatworks on the coast, products built for luxury, safety, or speed — and sometimes all three — roll off the line and into the world, carrying a piece of North Carolina to destinations around the country. Knowing that that elegant upholstery, that sturdy school bus, that boat slicing through the waves, was dreamed up and brought to life right down the road, we can't help but feel proud.

 $WRITTEN\ B\Upsilon$ KATIE SAINTSING

72 OUR STATE | September 2017





74 OUR STATE | September 2017















