



The 2024 Vermont Knitting Retreats with Beth Brown-Reinsel

✿ May 16-19, 2024

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The Danish Sejerø Skrå-trøje

Course Description:

From the island of Sejerø in Denmark comes a beautiful garment from 1878, knitted in two-color patterns with attention to construction detail. This one-of-a-kind garment was made by the wife of Turner Hanson for her husband. This pullover is knitted in two weights of yarn, and patterning includes a large motif, seam stitches, and an underarm half-gusset. A small sampler will be made, using both circularly and flat knitting using a handout and charts. Two-End Knitting is worked in the overlapped cuff area with buttonholes, and the neck slit features a knitted facing. Crochet is worked around the neckline.



Level: Intermediate to Advanced
(Must be proficient with DP needles, Magic Loop, or working with two circulars). Prior stranded (two-color) knitting experience is preferred.



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Estonian Kihnu Socks

Course Description:

When I visited the island of Kihnu, I was entranced by the lovely socks the women knitted. So many techniques were used: a traditional Estonian cast-on, Kihnu vits braid, lace, traveling stitches, color work, and the general construction of the sock. Although the original socks were made to go above the knee, we will work an ankle. Yarn dominance, reading charts, working with multiple colors, and designing will be covered. In addition, you may choose your own motifs if you prefer, from the handout. A slide show of my visits to Estonia will be presented.



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Come to Vermont to knit and learn!

Nestled in the foothills of the Green Mountains of southern Vermont, knitting retreats are held by Beth Brown-Reinsel every year. A variety of traditional workshops, based on Beth's research in many European museums, is offered to deepen the skill level of intermediate knitters. Attended by warm and friendly knitters from all over North America, the extended weekend is full of camaraderie, good food, interesting classes, and a lovely setting. All the sessions will be held in the Dutton Farmhouse, which is situated on an historic apple farm.

There are four available bedrooms on-site—they book up quickly—with hotels nearby.



The Schedule:

Thursday Evening: Arrive by 5 PM, wine and apps at 5:30, dinner around 6:15.
Friday: Breakfast- 8:30, Class- 9:30 -12:30, Lunch and break until 1:30, Class until 4 PM.
Saturday: Breakfast- 8:30, Free time- until 12:30, Lunch until 1:30, Class until 4 PM.
Sunday: Breakfast- 8:30, Class- 9:30 -12:30, lunch and break until 1:30, Class until 4 PM.

The Cost:

\$595 includes all instruction and comprehensive handouts, Thursday welcome dinner, breakfast and lunch on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. (Dinners on those days are on your own. Sometimes the group will go out or bring dinner in.)

Getting There:

- ❖ AmTrak and Greyhound both serve Brattleboro with one trip north and south each day.
- ❖ The closest airports are Hartford, CT (BDL), Manchester, NH (MHT), Albany, NY (ALB) and Boston, MA (BOS).
- ❖ For driving directions, enter "Dutton Farmhouse 255 Dutton Farm Road, Dummerston, VT 05301" into Google Maps
- ❖ Brattleboro Car Rental (Enterprise) 801 Putney Rd Unit 1, Brattleboro: 802-257-4700
- ❖ Taxi service is not always available--email Beth to confirm: bethknits@mac.com

Staying There:

The following hotels are within 5-10 minutes and 5-10 miles of the workshop.

❖ The Hampton Inn	802.254.5700	www.hilton.com/en/hotels/bravthx-hampton-brattleboro/
❖ Comfort Inn & Suites (New)	802 579 1344	www.choicehotels.com/vermont/brattleboro/comfort-inn-hotels
❖ Holiday Inn Express	802.257.2400	www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/brattleboro/btbvt/hoteldetail
❖ The Latchis	802-254-6300	www.latchishotel.com
❖ Chesterfield Inn, NH	603.256.3222	www.chesterfieldinn.com

You can find more class details at: <https://knittingtraditions.com/workshops/beths-vermont-retreats/> in the next few months.

To Reserve Your Place in the Retreat: A \$150 deposit will secure your spot in any workshop, with the balance due 90 days before the start of the retreat. Bedrooms are extra. Checks should be made payable to: **Beth Brown-Reinsel** and mailed to: **John Crane, PO Box 1175, Provincetown, MA 02657**

If you have any questions, or for more information, email John: knitting.traditions.retreats@gmail.com