

A Knitting trip to SHETLAND



with Amy Detjen & Janine Bajus
August 20 to September 01, 2018

MONDAY 20: Depart for Scotland Depart the USA for your overnight flight to Edinburgh.

Upon arrival in Edinburgh on the 21st August you fly directly to Shetland. We suggest flying in a day early in case of delays or cancellations with your international flight. Celtic Journeys will not assume responsibility for misconnected flights.

TUESDAY 21: Arrive Edinburgh

Arrive Edinburgh airport where you will meet Janine and Amy and await your connecting flight to Shetland Islands. Upon arrival you will be met by your driver/guide, John Odie. Your flight arrives in Shetland at 6:10PM so you will transfer directly to the hotel. Welcome dinner at the hotel this evening.

The Lerwick Hotel, 15 South Road, Lerwick Tel:1595-692166

WEDNESDAY 22: Uradale Farm ~ Burra Bears ~ Red Houss ~ Class with Amy - Knitting with two colors

Today journey to Uradale Farm. Uradale raises native Shetland sheep, whose fleece is spun into the only authentic organic Shetland wool on the market. After a stop for lunch, visit Wendy Inkster at her famous Burra Bears Studio. Wendy makes her bears from Fair Isle-patterned Shetland woolen jumpers. You will also visit Mike Finnie at Red Houss Studio to see hand-painted water colors and silver jewelry inspired by Shetland. Return to Lerwick with some free time before dinner at the hotel. This evening enjoy a hands-on class with Amy and learn to knit using two colors. (*Lunch included today*)

THURSDAY 23: Jamiesons of Shetland ~ Shetland Textile Museum ~ Evening Class with Elizabeth Johnston

Enjoy a tour of Jamiesons of Shetland, with an opportunity to buy yarn at the shop. Enjoy lunch at your own expense at a local restaurant before visiting the Shetland Textile Museum. Displays at the museum include knitted Shetland textiles from the 19th century to the present day, demonstrating Shetland's traditional heritage through knitted garments and accessories. Dinner and a class with Elizabeth Johnston at the hotel this evening. During a fun 3-hour class Elizabeth will introduce the details and possibilities of Shetland lace using Jamieson & Smith yarns, as well as a few techniques used by Shetlanders.

FRIDAY 24: Free time ~ Class with Amy & Janine

Free time this morning. Lunch on your own. This afternoon and evening you will have a hands on-class with Janine and Amy. You will create a multi-colored magic ball with Janine Bajus, and then Amy Detjen will teach how to knit a two-colored brioche cowl. Dinner at hotel.

SATURDAY 25: Jamieson & Smith ~ Oliver Henry ~ Ella Gordon

After breakfast visit the Jamieson & Smith Woolen Mills and meet Oliver Henry, known as the Wool Man. Lunch on your own and afternoon at leisure. Ella Gordon will join you for dinner at the hotel, and afterwards she will give a talk about the history and unique textile heritage of the Shetland Islands. Ella also works at Jamieson & Smith, and her beautifully crafted crofthouse cushions are knitted in Shetland wool and stuffed with Shetland fleece.

SUNDAY 26: Bressay ~ Class with Janine on Steeking

Today visit Bressay, the 5th largest island in Shetland. A short ferry ride from the bustling centre of Lerwick, Bressay is a quiet, rural island with beautiful scenery, friendly people and fascinating wildlife. You will find seabirds cliffs, quiet bays, hill and coastal walks, and a number of archaeological and historical sites. The east side of the island is sparsely inhabited, a place of peace and quiet where sheep wander undisturbed. Spend the morning on Bressay, with time for lunch on your own before returning to Lerwick. Dinner at the hotel this evening, followed by an opportunity to learn how to steek with Janine so you will be confident about cutting your knitting!

Details

Depart August 20, 2018

Return September 01, 2018

11 nights/13 days—Arrive & Depart Edinburgh

Some Highlights

- ◇ Donna Smith
- ◇ Terri Malcolmson
- ◇ Burra Bears & Red Hous
- ◇ Elizabeth Johnston
- ◇ Yell and Unst
- ◇ Bressay
- ◇ Hands-on classes with Amy & Janine (2 classes each)

Cost: \$4,070 per person

Sharing. Plus Air -approx.

\$1,400 (Edinburgh roundtrip)

Extra cost for single room :

\$825

Included in your trip:

- Accommodation for 11 nights with full Scottish breakfast each morning.
- 9 Evening dinners
- 1 Lunch
- Roundtrip airfare to Shetland from Edinburgh
- Entrance fees to: Shetland Textile Museum, Shetland Museum & Archives, Shetland Gallery, Sumburgh Lighthouse, Jarlshof, Uradale Farm, Ferries to Unst and Bressay
- Hands on lessons & demonstrations with Donna Smith & Terri Malcolmson, Elizabeth Johnston, Amy Detjen & Janine Bajus
- Transportation with a professional driver/guide
- Gratuities for driver/guide John Odie

Not Included:

Most lunches, 2 dinners
International Airfare
Items of a personal nature (laundry, telephone, etc.)



MONDAY 27: Donna Smith & Terri Malcolmson ~ Shetland Museum & Archives

This morning Donna Smith and Terri Malcolmson will join you at your hotel for a 3-hour class on color and Fair Isle knitting and the technique of using a knitting belt. Donna is very interested in the knitting techniques used on Shetland and is passionate about helping to retain these skills. Terri is a Shetland-born knitter and designer using mostly Fair Isle in her designs. Lunch on your own. In the late afternoon a visit to the Shetland Museum and Archives, which tells the complete story of life on the Shetland Islands. Dinner at the hotel this evening.

TUESDAY 28: Free Day on Shetland

Enjoy a free day on Shetland. Dinner at leisure.

WEDNESDAY 29: Day trip to Unst & Yell ~ Shetland Gallery ~ GlobalYell

Spend the day visiting Unst and Yell. Unst, the most northerly inhabited island in the United Kingdom, is known for its scenic beauty, rich history, and traditions. Visit the Shetland Gallery on the island of Yell, exhibiting the best of Shetland's contemporary art and high end crafts. You will also visit GlobalYell Textiles, a charity led by Andy Ross. The studio houses a reference library of books and magazines as well as samples of cloth and fibers from around the world. Dinner at the hotel this evening.

THURSDAY 30: Sumburgh Light House ~ Jarlshof ~ Edinburgh

This morning visit the Sumburgh Lighthouse, considered the oldest in Shetland. Rising above the Sumburgh cliffs at the southernmost point of Shetland, the lighthouse is visible from land and sea for miles around. Journey on to Jarlshof, the best known prehistoric archaeological site in Shetland, containing remains dating from 2500 BC up to 17th century AD. After lunch on your own, we then say goodbye to Shetland and take a flight to Edinburgh. Transfer to the hotel. Dinner at leisure in Edinburgh.

Apex Grassmarket, 31-35 Grassmarket, Edinburgh Tel:131-300-3456

FRIDAY 31: Free Day in Edinburgh

Enjoy a free day to explore Edinburgh. Farewell dinner at the hotel this evening.

SATURDAY 01: Depart Edinburgh for the USA

Transfer from your hotel to Edinburgh Airport for your return flight to the USA.

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HOTELS: Lerwick Hotel on Shetland - 3*

Chosen for its wonderful views, excellent food, and great location, the Lerwick offers clean comfortable rooms to a 3 standard with private bathroom. The staff have received great reviews from previous travelers.*

EDINBURGH: Apex Hotel Grassmarket in Edinburgh- 4*

A modern 4 hotel in a central location in Old Town, great for exploring the city of Edinburgh with its proximity to all the sights.*

Please Note: Passenger fare on the ferries to Unst/Yell and Bressay is not included in the cost of the trip. You will pay directly on the ferry both days.

Options available for extensions pre or post tour

