



Nancy's Spinning Fancies

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invite you to a premiere event.

Cornwall Fiber Retreat
With guest instructor Beth Brown-Reinsel
 November 12, 13, & 14
 At The Grail House
 119 Duncan Ave.
 Cornwall, NY 12518

Arrive Friday evening (not before 5:00 pm) – Wine and cheese reception at 7:00 pm with time to chat, knit, crochet, or spin.

Saturday workshops 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Knitting Fair Isle Tams - Beth Brown-Reinsel

This 6 hour Fair Isle class is for Advanced beginning to intermediate knitters who would like to venture into two-color knitting but haven't had the chance.

Or

Beginning Weaving – Nancy Obremski, owner Nancy's Spinning Fancies
Learn to warp and weave on a rigid heddle loom.

Sunday workshops 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Norwegian Mittens – Beth Brown-Reinsel

Students will learn Norwegian mitten construction in this 6 hour workshop by knitting a mitten in two colors, circularly on double pointed needles

Or

Beginning Spinning & Weaving Part 2 – Nancy Obremski, owner Nancy's Spinning Fancies
Learn to spin and/or continue weaving from the previous day

Full weekend: \$250: includes your choice of workshops and continental breakfast, Friday Reception, room at The Grail, & the opportunity to "taste" Spinning & weaving during non-workshop times

Days only: \$150 includes workshops only on Saturday & Sunday

Accommodations

There are twelve bedrooms with single beds that accommodate up to 24 guests on the uppermost two floors of the Phoenix. Number of beds per room vary: one room has four beds, four rooms have just one bed, two rooms have three beds, and the rest have two beds per room. Rooms are simply but attractively furnished with antique wood pieces and unusual vintage prints and art. Most rooms have views of woods, meadows, or the mountains. There is a fully equipped kitchen. You make bring your own food and cook or you may eat at one of our many local restaurants.

For info about The Grail <http://www.thegrailatcornwall.org/index.html>

Workshops with Beth Brown-Reinsel

TAMS Class Description: Saturday, November 13, 10:00 AM to 5:00 pm

This Fair Isle class is for knitters who would like to venture into two-color knitting but haven't had the chance. A small tam comprised of ribbing, a border pattern area, and the wheel area will be knitted on double points or a circular needle, in four colors, although never more than two in a round. Techniques included in the workshop are: knitting with a color in each hand, weaving yarns to reduce snagging, reading tam charts, knitting traditional peerie, border, and wheel patterns, and shaping and finishing of the tam. The class will end with a discussion of alternate ribbing treatments and designing a tam.

Length: 1 day (6 hours)

Level: Advanced Beginner to Intermediate

Class Supply List:

- Four colors, 1 to 2 oz. each, of worsted weight wool yarn
- 16" circular needles in size 5.0 mm, and one set (8" or shorter in length) double pointed needles, in sizes 3.75 mm and 5.0 mm.
- Tapestry needle, scissors, st markers
- Sticky notes or magnetic board to keep your place on the chart

Note: *Knitters who prefer and are proficient in working with 2 circulars or Magic Loop instead of double pointed needles, may bring the appropriate needles.*

Homework:

The Ribbing: With size 3.75 mm double pointed needles and your chosen main color yarn (one of the darker colors, or your choice!), cast on 72 sts. Slip on marker, join circularly and work k1, p1 ribbing for 1 inch.

NORWEGIAN MITTENS Course Description: Sunday, November 14, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Students will learn Norwegian mitten construction by knitting a mitten in two colors, circularly on double pointed needles. Techniques to be covered include the striped, ribbed cuff, the Norwegian thumb gusset, seam stitches, different patterning for the front and palm, and the pointed tip shaping at the end of the mitten. Designing will be discussed as well as several options in thumb construction.

Length: 6 hours

Level: Intermediate (must be proficient with dp needles)

Supply List:

- **For Adult Size:** 3 oz each of 2 colors of worsted weight yarn and one set each of dp needles size 4 (3.5mm) for ribbing, and 6 OR 7 (4.0-4.5mm) for mitten body.
- **For Large Child Size:** 3 oz. each of 2 colors of DK weight yarn and one set each of dp needles size 3 (3.25mm) for ribbing, and 4 or 5 (3.5-3.75mm) for mitten body.
- Tapestry needle, stitch markers, sticky notes or magnetic board for reading the charts.

Homework:

The Cuff: Cast on 40 sts with main color. Join and work k2, p2 ribbing for 10 rounds. Leave on needles, do not break yarn. The remainder of the cuff will be worked in class.

Beth Brown-Reinsel has been teaching knitting workshops nationally, as well as internationally, for over 20 years. Her book Knitting Ganseys, published by Interweave Press, is in its tenth printing. Her articles have appeared in *Threads*, *Cast On*, *Interweave Knits*, *Shuttle, Spindle, and Dye Pot*, *Vogue Knitting*, and *Knitters* magazines. She continues to design for her own pattern line *Knitting Traditions*.

Fair Isle Class Tam



Norwegian Mitten Class

