



### **May 1 : Arrival Day**

Fiona will meet you at the airport or ferry, and bring you to the Alder Lodge Guesthouse in Lerwick, our shared home for the week.

Welcome drinks and appetizers in the later afternoon at the B and B.

### **May 2 : Island Excursion Day**

Settle into your new environment and get to know this magical, textile rich place.

While taking in the dramatic environment, we'll visit Jamiesons Wool Mill on the west coast in Sandness, see the beautiful silver jewelry inspired by Norse mythology, local wildlife, archaeology and Celtic artwork at Shetland Jewelry in Weisdale.

In Scalloway, we'll have a delicious lunch at a highly recommended cafe and then stretch a little with a relaxing walk visiting the Castle, plus the Booth where Fiona will have just completed her month long artist residency.

Our last stop for the day is a visit to a working organic farm, Uradale farm in East Voe at Scalloway, where our hosts Sue and Ron will talk with us about native Shetland Sheep. We'll get our hands in the wool of their beautiful fleeces and Sue will treat us to tea/coffee and homebakes!

We'll arrive back in Lerwick at our accommodation by late afternoon, so you'll have some personal time for relaxing or shopping.

### **May 3 : Felting Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

9:00am - 2:30pm Isleburgh Community Centre

Felt Study- Shetland Wool

Catered Lunch

Felt Project

3:00pm - 4:00pm Shetland Museum Visit: Tour and Discussion: [Traditional Shetland Textiles](#)

7:00pm - 8:00pm Design discussion: Traditional Fair Isle and Lace

### **May 4 : Felting Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

9:00am - 2:30pm Isleburgh Community Centre

Felt Study- Felt Design Inspired by Traditional Fair Isle and Lace

Catered Lunch

Felt Project

3:00pm - 4:00pm Shetland Museum Visit: Tour and Discussion: [Pictish and Norse Art Work](#)

7:00pm - 8:00pm Design discussion: Pictish and Norse Artwork

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### **May 5 : Felting Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

9:00am - 3:30pm Isleburgh Community Centre

Felt Study- Felt Design Inspired by Pictish and Norse Artwork

Catered Lunch

Felt Project

Optional Evening Activities

### **May 6 : Felting Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

9:00am - 3:30pm Isleburgh Community Centre

Felt Project Work

Catered Lunch

Felt Project Work

Optional Evening Activities

### **May 7 : Island Excursion Day and Felt Project Finishing**

9:30am - 3:00pm

This morning we'll head south to visit the Croft House Museum in Dunrossness, to hear stories of life in a traditional 19th century thatched croft house. From here, we'll continue on to explore the best known prehistoric archaeological site in Shetland. Jarlshof has been described as "one of the most remarkable archaeological sites ever excavated in the British Isles". We'll explore the history of this place and also observe the beautiful forms of the remaining, grass topped, stone work constructions.

We'll stop for lunch at the Sumburgh Hotel. After lunch, we'll visit Sumburgh Head Lighthouse to take in the stunning views during a short, dramatic cliff top walk where we can view Shetland's most accessible colonies of puffins. In this ancient colony, about 5,000 birds come to breed in the steep grassy banks and cliffs leading up to the lighthouse.

3:00pm -5:00pm

Back in Lerwick we'll have our last felting session, adding finishing details and constructing our felt sculptures.

Our farewell dinner will be at 7:00pm.



### **May 8 : Open Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

Open day to explore Lerwick or beyond at your own pace.

Our past week has been so full, today is a day to do some shopping on the main street, go for a long walk, or just experience whatever best suits you for the last day of your Shetland Retreat.

You will have no shortage of ideas for activities after our time together!

### **May 9 : Departure Day**

Breakfast at the B and B

Fiona will drop you off at the airport or ferry to make your departure.