



### **August 31: Arrival Day**

Fiona and Graham will greet you on arrival and help you get settled into your accommodations in Lerwick. Transportation from the airport or ferry will be provided. .

Welcome drinks and appetizers in the early evening **7:00-8:00pm**

### **September 1: Island Excursion Day**

**9:00am- 5:00pm**

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

While taking in the dramatic environment, we'll start our wool study at the Wool Brokers, Jamieson and Smith, then head south to Hoswick to visit the studio of contemporary knitwear designer, Nielanel. We'll also see the traditional knitwear at Laurence Odie's, and if time allows, visit the historical displays at the Hoswick Visitor Centre. Lunch at the Kitchen Table.

Our last stop for the day is a visit to a working organic farm, Uradale farm in East Voe at Scalloway, where our host, Ronnie Eunson, will talk with us about native Shetland Sheep. We'll get our hands in the wool of these beautiful fleeces, that we'll be using in our felt projects.

This is a really special day, with special people!

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

### **September 2: Felting Day**

**9:00am - 3:30pm** Islesburgh Community Centre: Felt Study

Optional Evening Activities: 5:30pm to 9:00pm (Mousa Boat Trip/ St.Ninians Isle/Bressay Island Trip-weather depending) .

### **September 3: Museum + Felting Day**

**10:00am - 12:00pm** Shetland Museum Visit: [Traditional Shetland Textiles](#) + [Pictish and Norse Art Work](#)

**12:00pm- 1:00pm** lunch

**1:00pm- 4:30pm** Islesburgh Community Centre: Felt Study

Optional Evening Activities: 6:30pm to 8:00pm (ArtWalk/Lerwick Walking Tour - weather depending) .



#### **September 4: Island Excursion Day**

**9:30am - 5:00pm** 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 crofthouse. 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. In the afternoon, we'll visit Sumburgh Lighthouse, enjoying the stunning views while taking a short, dramatic cliff top walk  
Return to Lerwick in the late afternoon. Open Evening.

#### **September 5: Felting Day**

**9:00am - 3:30pm** Islesburgh Community Centre: Felt Study  
Optional Evening Activities: 5:30pm to 9:00pm (Mousa Boat Trip/ St.Ninians Isle/ArtWalk/Bressay Island Trip-weather depending) .

#### **September 6: Open Day**

Open day to explore Lerwick or beyond at your 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! Fiona has a range of suggestions for you to round out your trip and can help make any necessary arrangements.  
Our farewell dinner is tonight at **7:00pm**. .

#### **September 7: Departure Day**

You're likely to have collected some treasures as well as many memories to bring home!  
Whether you are leaving by ferry or plane, we wish you safe travels home!  
Shared shuttles to the airport or ferry can be arranged for you.

*note: This itinerary gives a good overview of the way our days are structured and the range of experiences you can expect. There may be some small changes to times, or locations.*