

THE SETTING

Join us for a relaxing knitting getaway on the beautiful Kitsap Peninsula!



This year's retreat will be the first in the Pacific Northwest, in a lodge in Lakebay, Washington, nestled on 10 acres about 1 hour from Seattle's Sea-Tac airport and near the little town of Gig Harbor.

We will have the Frog Creek Lodge all to ourselves—and our own private chef serving seasonal food with a focus on locally sourced ingredients and a French flair! The comfortable guest rooms in this character-filled lodge share clean, tidy bathrooms.

Before the retreat, consider joining us for the local yarn shop crawl, and during your free time, stroll the wooded property, pop into Gig Harbor, or just hang out and knit!



THE TEACHERS

The founder of Knitting on the Coast, **Thea Gray** (right, in photo below) loves sharing the joys of knitting. She began knitting almost 40 years ago and has been teaching knitting for more than a decade. Thea is known for her bountiful patience.

Thea creates a warm, welcoming environment, in which I feel very comfortable asking for clarification or repetition. She's a great listener, and creatively adjusts her teaching style to the needs of her students, depending on their level of experience.

— Jenny, designer

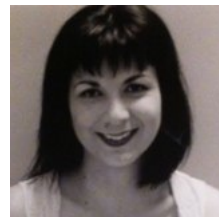
Not only is Thea a patient and thorough teacher, she's enthusiastic and skilled in many different knitting techniques. She's helped me go beyond merely following patterns.

— Rachella, writer and editor



Mary Wisniewski (left) spins, birds, and knits in the SF Bay Area. She has a bad

habit of combining hobbies "in the field," which sometimes leads to muddy knitting projects and broken dpns. Find her on Ravelry as spinnity.



Rita Rodriguez has been making jewelry for 25+ years. Her love of jewelry and knitting will again combine as she teaches a fast, fun project—you're sure to want to make more!



Jeanine Mattson is an amateur birder but an experienced coffee and wine drinker, and she is the kind soul who ensures everyone at the retreat has what she or he needs.

From the minds behind the
Knitting on the Coast Retreat comes...

KNIT BY NORTHWEST

A Knitting Retreat in the
Pacific Northwest



THURSDAY TO SUNDAY,
SEPT 29 TO OCT 2, 2016

For more information, connect to:

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2106 RETREAT

At **Knit by Northwest**, the **Knitting on the Coast** retreat's Northwest cousin, advanced beginners and intermediate knitters can learn a variety of skills in a relaxed, supportive, and restorative setting.



This year's theme is **adventuring into the unknown**. We'll have a new home away from home, explore new techniques, visit new towns and yarn shops, and meet —you guessed it—new and interesting people.

Although much will be new, as usual the retreat will be punctuated with opportunities to swap tips with other knitters, seek solitude, see some birds, or do a little yoga—all while reconnecting with nature.

We hope you'll join us this September to enjoy:



Brioche Knitting



Portuguese Purl



Beaded Jewelry



Plus... fun and relaxing stitch 'n bitch gatherings with UFO help, a yarn swap, and wonderful knitters.

THE SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 29

- 12:30-4:30PM **Pre-Retreat Yarn Crawl**
5:30-6:00PM **Frog Creek Lodge Orientation**
6:00-7:00PM **Dinner and introductions**
7:00-9:00PM **STITCH 'N BITCH: SHOW AND TELL.**
Meet (or reconnect) with fellow retreat-goers and bring a knitted item for show and tell.
9:00-10:00PM **S'mores under the stars**

Friday, September 30

- 8:00-9:00AM **Breakfast**
9:30-11:30AM **ALOFT WITH BRIOCHE, PART I**
Are you ready to burp and bark your knitting? Learn how to execute these oddly named maneuvers during this introduction to brioche, an old technique with new devotees.
NOON-1:00PM **Lunch**
1:30-3:30PM **ALOFT WITH BRIOCHE, PART II.**
4:00-5:00PM **Yoga!** A fun optional extra to get you moving more than just your needles.
6:00-7:00PM **Dinner**
7:00-9:00PM **STITCH 'N BITCH: THE MDs ARE IN.**
Bring a failing unfinished object (UFO) and we'll work to resuscitate it.

Saturday, October 1

- 8:00-9:00AM **Breakfast**
9:00-11:00AM **Birding hike.** See birds—and gorgeous views!
NOON-1:00PM **Lunch**
1:30-4:30PM **PORTUGUESE PURL.** And now for something totally out of the blue—an Andean technique that makes colorwork a breeze. We'll make a nifty wristlet to experience its benefits: ergonomics, tension, and fun factor.
5:00-6:00PM **MINI CLASS: I-CORD JEWELRY.** Fun&fast!
6:00-7:00PM **Dinner**
7:00-9:00PM **STITCH 'N BITCH: SWAP!** Tonight bring a thing or two to swap. And maybe enjoy an optional extra from an on-site masseur.

Sunday, October 2

- 9:00-10:30AM **Brunch followed by group photo**
11:00AM-1:00PM **JET AGE: KNITTING BEADED JEWELRY.**
Need a quick gift or a stylish addition to your own jewelry box? We'll start—and very likely finish!—this retro cool beaded necklace.
1:00PM **Goodbyes**

SIGN UP

The **2016 Knit by Northwest** retreat instruction and facilities fee is \$195, which includes all fiber classes, the birding hike, and the beaded necklace class materials. Room and board runs \$395 to \$645, depending on the type of room selected, and include 3 nights' lodging and 8 meals, from dinner Thursday through brunch on Sunday. Payment to the yoga teacher and on-site masseuse can be made on-site by cash or check.

More info, including required patterns and materials, is at www.theagray.com/knitting/retreat_2016.html.

To sign up: 1. Send an email to thea@theagray.com to hold a place 2. Within a week, mail this completed form and send payment via PayPal or a check (address will be provided).

Name			
Address			
City	State	ZIP	
Phone (pref mobile)			
Email			

Instruction and included materials fee: **\$195**

Accommodations (8 meals & lodging choice): **\$**

My lodging preference is:

- ☐ A room with 2 other persons (\$395)
☐ A room with 1 other person (\$470)
☐ Private room (1 available, \$645)

Check number: for **TOTAL:** **\$**

Retreat registration requests

Best efforts will be made to accommodate all lodging requests; if requests cannot be met, prices will be adjusted accordingly. Individuals who do not specify a roommate will have one assigned.

I want to share a room with the following student(s):

Please make my meals ☐ vegetarian ☐ vegan

☐ other dietary need:

☐ I want to do the yarn crawl ☐ I need airport transport