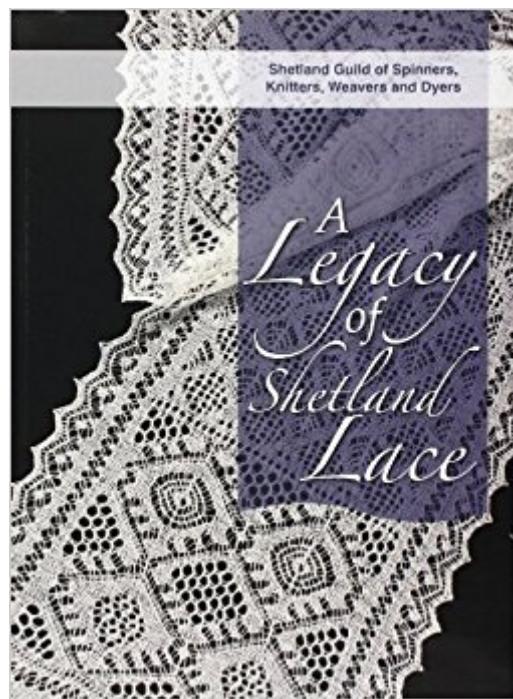


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A Legacy Of Shetland Lace



Synopsis

A collection of 21 stunning projects designed by members of the Shetland Guild of Spinners, Knitters, Weavers, and Dyers. While some are strictly traditional others are modernized and the patterns featured have designs planned for all levels of skill and experience.

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A LEGACY OF SHETLAND LACE is a collection of authentic Shetland lace patterns designed by present-day members of the Shetland Guild of Spinners, Knitters, Weavers and Dyers (the Guild was founded in 1988). The patterns use traditional methods for constructing the designs, and the designs are assembled from "a known wide range of 'motifs' which were at one time passed down from mother to daughter". The book has an interesting short glossary of 33 Shetland knitting words (e.g., "kemp" (work hard to finish); "spret" (when you have to pull out the needles and take back rows to correct a mistake). There are clear instructions for grafting (stocking stitch, garter stitch, moss stitch), illustrated with full-color photos; and excellent instructions for finishing (dressing) the scarves, shawls, and garments. There is also a list of Shetland yarn suppliers. Each pattern is accompanied by several paragraphs about the Shetland woman who created the design. All of the patterns are charted. The Guild says that the designs are planned for all levels of knitting skills and experience. However, because the patterns are unmistakably patterns for Shetland lace, I think that even the easiest designs will probably require intermediate knitting skills. My personal favorite designs are the Vaga Scarf (horseshoe-motif ends, arrow-motif center, grafted together); the Zig Zag Scarf (resulting from the designer's error in knitting a "new shell" pattern, it reminds me of Estonian lily-of-the-valley patterns without the nupps); the Laureya Cardigan (an allover lace motif

for the body and sleeves, moss stitch button band, ribbed lower edge and cuffs); and the Shelley Scarf (uses cockle shell motif that really resembles actual shells).

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