VIRTUAL Nordic Handcraft Workshop: Faroese Knit House Slippers with Laura Ricketts

Skóleistar are the woolen soft shoe liner from the Faroe Islands, traditionally worn inside wooden clogs or rain shoes, but also doubling as a cozy house slipper. In this class, we will explore some of the knitting traditions of the Faroe Islands, and choose among two charted designs to make our own pair of skóleistar.

Skill level: Advanced, must be able to knit and purl colorwork patterns

This class offers the option to knit one child size pair of skóleistar or begin one adult pair of skóleistar. The pattern will be provided after registration.

Choose your needle size to obtain the following gauge: single-color slipper 11 sts x 14 rows = 2 in; color work slipper 12 sts x 12 rows = 2 in.

Students should provide the following items for class:

- Recommended yarns:
  - Cascade 220, 100% Peruvian Highland Wool, 220 yards (200 m)/100g (3.5 oz); colors #7822 Van Dyke brown (MC) and #8010 Natural (CC) (or, 2 contrasting colors of your choice)
  OR
  - Ella Rae Classic Marls, 100% Superwash Wool, 219 yards (200 m)/100g (3.5 oz); 1 skein each of #603 Apple and #606 Orange

- Set of double pointed size 4 US (3.5 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge
- Stitch markers
- Tapestry needle

The following items are optional, but may be useful if you have them on hand:

- Size D crochet hook (optional)
- For children’s slippers, puffy paint to create a nonslip sole (optional)

Materials and tools needed for the class can be purchased locally at local yarn stores or from other online sources. Please contact Erin Swenson-Klatt at erinsk@asimn.org with questions.