



Designing Your Own Knitwear / *Claire Montgomerie*

13th to 17th May 2010

If your passion is for knitting, you want to improve your technique or you're just starting out and would like to find out what all the fuss is about, join us for Claire Montgomerie's second three day workshop that will cover how to design and structure your own knitting items; looking at swatching; yarn choices and substitution; and altering and designing patterns. The workshop will include finishing a small accessory as well as beginning a larger design of your own choice.

Other subjects to be covered on this workshop will be: .Pattern reading, manipulation, adjustments and experimentation: so bring along patterns that have puzzled you, or favourite projects you wish to vary. .Choosing yarns, fibres and weights: substituting yarns, using up stash. .Looking closer at yarn fibres judging: yardage and substituting. .Looking for inspiration: colour ideas, bought and found items for mixed media pieces or customising.

There will be time during the workshop to visit yarn and fabric shops and markets.

Thursday, 13 th May	Friday, 14 th May	Saturday, 15 th May	Sunday, 16 th May	Monday, 17 th May
	continental breakfast	continental breakfast	continental breakfast	continental breakfast
	AM session	visit to local shops and market	AM session	Participants depart at local airport or trains station
	<i>light salad lunch</i>	<i>light salad lunch</i>	<i>light salad lunch</i>	<i>light salad lunch</i>
Participants arrive at local airport or trains station	PM session <i>tea break</i>	PM session <i>tea break</i>	PM session <i>tea break</i>	Participants depart at local airport or trains station
<i>3 course dinner with wine</i>	<i>3 course dinner with wine</i>	<i>3 course dinner with wine</i>	<i>3 course dinner with wine</i>	

PRICES

This timetable is for guidance only.

single occupancy double room in <i>maison de maître</i>	£610
shared double room in <i>maison de maître</i>	£500
single room in <i>l'espace</i> / shared bathroom	£500
shared room in <i>l'espace</i> / shared bathroom	425
dormitory bed in <i>l'espace</i>	£375
single occupancy room at local <i>gîte</i>	£480
<i>wine tasting per person (optional)</i>	£25

There are no hidden extras. Please see [general notes](#) below for accommodation details and terms

PRICES INCLUDE:

- 3 / 5 days' tuition
- 4 / 6 nights
- Transfers at a specific time, from and to Bergerac airport (1hr 15mins drive), Angouleme train station* (40mins drive) or Angouleme Airport (1 hr drive). Transport outside collection times available at additional cost variable according to numbers.
- Full board with homemade meals using local, fresh, seasonal ingredients. All meals, with the exception of breakfast for those staying at the gîtes (see ACCOMMODATION notes below) will be served at the maison de maître.
- Wines at dinner, chosen by Michael Armitage of the Interesting Wine Club
- Snacks, soft drinks, coffee and tea
- Use of all the facilities, including bicycles, wi fi, large heated, outdoor swimming pool.
- All charges in connection with BACS payments are the student's responsibility.

PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Fares to and from France
- Taxis or car hire
- Personal insurance*,
- Wine tasting event £25/30. (optional)
- Dinner at a traditional French restaurant organised for one evening at approx £35 /40. per person for 3 course meal (optional)

WORKSHOP NUMBERS:

- Workshops run with a minimum of 8 participants and a maximum of 14.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS:

- **MAISON DE MÂITRE** This is the main house and where the workshop takes place. The luxurious and spacious bedrooms, each with an en suite bathroom, are furnished with a blend of antique and contemporary furniture and accessories, and have the advantage of being "on site".
- **L'ESPACE** This is a newly converted barn on the property. The style is minimalist but very stylish and comfortable and a minute's walk from the maison de maître. There are three bedrooms with twin beds (single/shared accommodation), plus a shared sleeping space for four beds. L'Espace has two shared bathrooms and also houses the huge work/ dance studio. Breakfast, lunch and supper are served at the maison de maître
- **GITES** These are about a ten minutes drive away and transport to and from the maison maître every day is included in the price as is breakfast which will be served there; you will join the others for lunch and supper at the maison de maître. The accommodation is more rustic than the maison de maître which is reflected in the price, and most bedrooms share a bathroom. This option might suit participants who would like a little more privacy.
- Whilst we make every effort to give you your first choice of accommodation, priority will be given at the maison de maître to people who wish to share the double rooms. Allocation of rooms will be confirmed six weeks prior to the workshop.
- Non-residential costs on application.
- Extra nights B&B can be organized at an additional cost.

TERMS:

- For confirmation of booking we require a deposit of £150 - money transfer or cheque, the full balance being payable 6 weeks prior to the start of the workshop. Notice of cancellation must be given at least 4 weeks prior to the start of the course in which case the deposit will be forfeit but may be used against the cost of future courses.
- Transfer to another workshop: Your request must be received at least six weeks before the start of the course on which you are booked. You may transfer your booking to an alternative published course, providing there is a place available and for which a clerical fee of £25 will be charged
- In the unlikely event that the workshop is cancelled, all monies already paid to Les Soeurs Anglaises will be refunded.
- *Whilst we take every precaution to ensure your stay with us is safe and secure we strongly advise you take out personal travel insurance as we cannot take responsibility for injury or loss/ damage to yourself or your belongings during the course of your travels or stay at Les Soeurs Anglaises.
- We strongly recommend that no travel arrangements be made until balance is paid, and confirmation received, six weeks prior to the start of the workshop.
- We apologise, but these workshops are unsuitable for those unable to climb stairs, as the bedrooms and studio are situated on the first and second floors and the house has no lift or ramps.