

## *To those interested in attending my Island Knitting Retreats:*

I hold six Spring and Fall Island Knitting Retreats every year at Lakedale Resort in Friday Harbor, on beautiful San Juan Island, where I live. Our islands are a nature-lover's paradise, located about 100 miles by car north of Seattle, then an hour-and-a-half ferry ride west through shimmering emerald waters. Along the way you might see whales, dolphins, sea lions, seals, eagles, falcons, or osprey. Knitters who have joined me in the past fall in love with the beauty and peace, just as I did many years ago.



**Arrival is Sunday, with departure Friday morning**, giving us four complete days together. My knitters love the luxurious accommodations, our gathering space (see above), and the lovingly prepared delicious, healthy meals, which are legendary among returnees. All participants receive enticing goodie bags.

### *2013 dates*

Spring #1: April 7-12

Spring #2: April 14-19

Spring #3: April 21-26

Fall #1: Sep 29-Oct 4

Fall #2: Oct 6-11

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**I teach every morning and afternoons are free.** Each evening, after dinner, I review the morning's lessons, offer one-on-one help, and tell stories from the knitting world. If the interisland ferry schedule cooperates, some knitters choose to spend an afternoon floating among islands, enjoying spectacular scenery while knitting and talking. Monday afternoon a fiber purveyor from Lopez Island sets up shop in the lobby for us. With afternoons wide open, you can visit Island Wools, our local yarn shop, or nap, hike, visit the Whale Museum or galleries, shop, or paddle on the lake. At South Beach you may see foxes, rabbits, and eagles. You can feed apples to Mona, a friendly island camel, visit Krystal Acres Alpaca Farm, or relax with your knitting and new friends in the lodge.





**In all six retreats,** I teach mini-workshops on many of the techniques I am known for. You can also bring along any knitting project and ask me for help. My students particularly enjoy learning about and trying my “secret” new techniques and designs as much as a year before they are made public.

**The three Spring Retreats** are distinguished by their focus on gift projects: you can spoil yourself while simultaneously creating gifts for loved ones. Spring knitters receive a small collection of my unpublished patterns, mostly for one skein, and may complete several projects.

**The three Fall Retreats** include what I call Forensic Knitting: a variety of inroads for exploring and investigating how knitting works and discovering intoxicating new possibilities. I offer small projects as well, suitable for gift-giving. Both

spring and fall retreats are deeply relaxing, stimulating, and have a strong sense of community and caring.

**The retreat fee is \$375, not including lodging and meals.** Lakedale Resort ([www.lakedale.com](http://www.lakedale.com)) gives my groups special rates. The wonderfully comfortable lodge rooms, with free wifi, gas fireplaces, Jacuzzi tubs, and balconies or decks overlooking the lake are currently \$124 per night. Cabins with two bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a kitchen are \$166 for two people. The cabins are a short walk from the lodge where we gather for classes and meals; the farthest is less than two minutes, over level ground. Breakfast is included in the lodging cost. Our catered lunches and dinners Monday through Thursday are \$200, and the meals are legendary among returnees.

**Each year I give participants the opportunity to sign up for the following year.**

Please email me ([cat@catbordhi.com](mailto:cat@catbordhi.com)) to be put on my notification list for the remaining 2013 spots, which I will open for newcomer registration shortly after the last 2012 spring retreat and last 2012 fall retreat. If I have a spot for you, I will ask you to print and fill out the registration form on page 4 and send it to me with your deposit. I do keep a wait list (cancellations often come in within a month or two of the event, so if you have a flexible schedule you are most likely to get in). Travel information is on page 3.

I hope to see you at one of my 2013 retreats, and to enjoy getting to know you as we knit together.

*Cat*



A knitter relaxing with a driftwood “knitting needle” beside a tangled skein of kelp, at South Beach.

# *Traveling to Friday Harbor, San Juan Island*

## Washington State Ferries

Current schedule for Anacortes-San Juan ferry: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/>

### Island Airporter (for departure only)

A Friday Harbor based shuttle runs directly between Seatac (Seattle- Tacoma Airport) and Friday Harbor every week-day. If your Friday departure schedule can match it, you won't need to carry your luggage on the ferry (it will be in the van). For an extra fee owner John Nash will pick you up at Lakedale. Current schedules and rates can be found at [www.islandairporter.com](http://www.islandairporter.com) or by calling (360) 378-7438.



Sunrise on the ferry to Friday Harbor

### Bellair Charters Airporter Shuttle

This service offers 12 roundtrips daily between Seatac (Seattle- Tacoma Airport) and the Anacortes Ferry Terminal. The trip is lengthened by additional stops en route. Current schedules and rates are available at [www.airporter.com/shuttle](http://www.airporter.com/shuttle). Make sure to allow at least 45 minutes between the scheduled arrival time of the shuttle and the ferry's departure, in case the shuttle runs into traffic.

### Rental Cars

Seatac Airport has many national rental car chains. If driving to the Anacortes Ferry Terminal, it is prudent to arrive 1 hour prior to your scheduled sailing, since ferries do overload. It takes about 2 hours to drive directly from the airport to Anacortes. If using GPS, type in Anacortes, not Friday Harbor, or it will send you by an insanely longer route via Whidbey Island and a second ferry.

### Kenmore Air

For those who prefer to fly (and to see beautiful sights!), Kenmore Air offers both land and sea plane services. Those traveling by land plane are shuttled between Seatac (Seattle-Tacoma Airport) and Boeing Field. Those traveling by sea plane are shuttled from Seatac to Lake Union and land in the Friday Harbor Marina. Current schedules as well as reservation information can be found at [www.kenmoreair.com](http://www.kenmoreair.com). Before making reservations, make sure to coordinate your arrival and departure from Seatac with Kenmore's schedule, allowing enough time to collect your baggage.

# Registration for 2013 Island Knitting Retreats with Cat Bordhi

Retreats are held at Lakedale Resort at Three Lakes, in Friday Harbor, Washington

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_

## Circle the 2013 retreat you wish to attend:

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**Lodging:** After I confirm your registration, phone Lakedale at 1-800-617-2267 to reserve a lodge room or a cabin. Our rates (subject to change, but unlikely to rise more than a few dollars) are \$124 per night for a lodge room or \$166 for a cabin (with 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, a kitchen and living area). If you would like a cabin mate, please let both me and the lodge know and we will try to match you with someone. Arrival is Sunday afternoon/evening, and departure is Friday morning.

**Meals:** Lakedale provides breakfast. You will mail Deb Nolan, our lunch and dinner kitchen magician, a \$200 check (made out to her) a month before the retreat, *also letting her know if you have any special food needs*. Deb's address is 14 Fieldstone Rd, Friday Harbor WA 98250

**To hold a space, email me at [cat@catbordhi.com](mailto:cat@catbordhi.com) to ask if there is space in the retreat you want.** Once I confirm that there is, *print and fill out this page and mail it with your deposit* (only checks please, I can't take credit cards) of \$125 made out to Passing Paws Press, Inc. to this address:

PO Box 2463  
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

**Your \$125 nonrefundable deposit holds your space.** However, you may transfer it if you need to cancel *and find a replacement for yourself*. The balance of \$250 is due 3 months prior to the first day of the retreat, and is nonrefundable unless I can fill your spot from my wait list (which becomes much harder as the date nears), or you find a replacement yourself.

**Personal Liability and Indemnification Agreement:** I take your safety and the security of your belongings very seriously, but I cannot be liable for any personal injury, loss/theft or damage any time during the retreat. Your attendance constitutes your agreement to indemnify Cat Bordhi and Passing Paws Press, Inc, from any claim for injury, loss, or damage for any reason. You are responsible for any damage to retreat property, facilities, or equipment caused by you through negligence or willful intent. Please initial here: \_\_\_\_\_