



Learn to Weave and Design Krokbragd

Presented by Joan Sheridan in Des Moines • Tuesday Feb.24 and Wednesday Feb. 25, from 9:30 to 4:30

Krokbragd is a weave structure that is instantly identifiable as "Scandinavian" even by people who have no idea what it is called. At it's most basic, it is a unique structure based on a three-shaft twill. Each face of the fabric is different. Totally different. Because of the wide sett and dense epi, it creates a weft faced rug that is "squishy" underfoot and is warm and durable. We will work on three different warps in a round robin-type class. This is sloooooow weaving, so you can expect to weave two smaller samples and a larger piece that could be a wall hanging.

Details: Skill level: students only need to have basic multi-shaft warping skills. Students will be provided a pre-wound warp and warping instructions two to three weeks before the class -- because of the wide set, the warping will go FAST, promise! Equipment requirements: minimum 3 shaft loom with 12" weaving width. Reeds used will vary: 8, 10 and 12, depending on the assigned pattern and yarn. Each student must bring four shuttles (a combination of boat, ski and stick is fine, but you will find that the boat shuttle allows for faster weaving). All warp and weft yarn is included in materials fee. There will be a one-hour lunch break. Each day will begin with lecture and end with weaving. Each student will complete two samplers and begin work on a useable piece, such as the red, white and black piece pictured above.

Workshop Location (tentative): Douglas Ave Presbyterian Church, 4601 Douglas Ave , Des Moines.

Fees: Workshop fee is \$160. To register, send payment to: Cindy Griese, 4800 Western Hills Dr., West Des Moines, Ia. 50265. There will be an additional material fee payable to the instructor of *approximately* \$50, all efforts are being made to hold down cost. Questions to: cindygriese@aol.com.

About our Instructor: Joan Sheridan is a weaver, knitter, spinner and fiber explorer. Soon after learning to spin and weave, she opened Heritage Spinning and Weaving (Lake Orion, MI) and has been sharing her love for everything fiber-ey at her shop since 2000. A passionate weaver and trained educator (by the US Army), Joan is at her best when she is sharing her love for the woven arts. She has taught at the National Needlearts Association annual trade show, Michigan Fiber Fest, Conference of Northern California Handweavers, Northern Michigan Lamb & Wool, Midwest Fiber and Folk, on-tour in Norway, Arnhild's Knitting Retreat, Spin-Off Autumn Retreat (SOAR) and at shops. She has had patterns and articles printed in Alpaca, Handwoven, Wild Fibers, and Spin-Off magazines. Visit her website at www.heritage spinning.com.