

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

WE7130 BOBBIN LACEMAKING

Tutor: JAN TREGIDGO

Dates: WEEKEND FRIDAY 21 JULY – SUNDAY 23 JULY

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

This workshop is an exciting opportunity for beginners to experience the delights of bobbin lacemaking without the need to buy equipment. While 'lapsed' lace makers will enjoy the time and space to renew their old skills and those with experience will be able to extend their expertise with the help and support of a very experienced teacher. The aim is that you will have an enjoyable time making lace and will go home with confidence to work independently.

During the course beginners will learn the essential techniques of lacemaking: how to prepare a pricking, to wind bobbins, to dress their pillow correctly and to work the basic stitches. They will also be given advice on books, suppliers and on continuing their lace making at home.

Those lace makers with previous experience will build on their skills and extend their knowledge of this traditional craft. They will choose a pattern in consultation with the tutor prior to the workshop in order to fully profit from the course.

All will receive individual instruction on their chosen lace. The tutor will give demonstrations to small groups, as appropriate and have examples of lace, lace books and other displays of lace interest available during the course. There will be opportunities to discuss topics of interest with other lace makers and to review the work of the course.

After the course: opportunities to continue your lace making will be discussed during the course. You will also be able to contact Jan for further advice and guidance.

LEVEL: SUITABLE FOR ALL

A subject focused course that is delivered to suit any level of experience from beginner to advanced practitioner. A structured start is followed by guided independent practise.

ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Jan Tregidgo is an experienced lace maker and teacher of traditional and contemporary bobbin lace making. Her book *Torchon Lace Making – A Step-by-Step Guide* was published in 2010.

TIMETABLE:

Arrival day: Friday 21 July

From 4.00pm Arrival for residential students

6.45pm Non-residential students please arrive by 6.45pm for welcome chat and dinner

7.00pm Dinner

8.00pm – 9.00pm First teaching session – attendance is an essential part of the course

An introduction to the course including: an opportunity to discuss plans for the course, giving students the opportunity to say 'What do I want from the

course?' and to vary the topics included.

Other days: Saturday 22 July

9.15am Morning classes start

10.30am Coffee

11.00am Morning classes continue

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12.45pm Lunch

2.00pm Afternoon classes

3.30pm Tea

4.00pm Afternoon classes continue

5.00pm Classes finish From 6.30pm Dinner

8.00pm Evening working: workshops are available until 10pm for those wishing to work

on providing this has been discussed with the tutor. These sessions are

untutored and optional – if you are not too tired you can work on your lace or

look through the books and other resources that |an has brought.

Departure day: Sunday 23 July

(Residential students to vacate rooms by 10am)

9.15am Morning classes start

10.30am Coffee

11.00am Morning classes continue

12.45pm Lunch

2.00pm Afternoon classes3.00pm Classes finish3.30pm Tea then departure

REQUIRED PREPARATION:

It is very important that you contact Jan Tregidgo on 023 92 362635 or by e-mail: jan@tregidgo.com as soon as you have confirmation that you have a place on the course. This ensures that Jan can discuss your lace experience and is aware of any materials, equipment and patterns that you may need.

Those with lacemaking experience, please bring your usual lace making equipment and a notebook and pen. Once you have discussed your pattern with Jan, it will save your time if you are able to wind your bobbins, prick and mark your pattern in preparation for the course.

Complete beginners are advised to contact Jan as soon as you receive confirmation that you are booked on the course. Jan is able to lend you all the equipment you will need for the course.

MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:

We have a generously stocked craft shop, which opens daily from 8.30am–2pm.

Additional Charge:

Complete beginners who borrow lace equipment are asked for a small contribution towards the materials used; this should be paid directly to the tutor by cash or cheque before the end of the course.

Available from the tutor:

There will be an opportunity to purchase bobbins during the course, (prices from £5).

A commemorative bobbin to remember the enjoyable time that you have spent at West Dean College (approximately £8), may also be available.

Please bring

Your lacemaking equipment and all the resources that you require and Jan has discussed with you. Reading glasses, if worn.

If you have any examples of bobbin lace, photographs, slides or anything which would be of interest to other course members, please bring it with you.

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. There are no health and safety restrictions on access to this studio/teaching space in the absence of the tutor. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.