

ANCHERS SWEATER

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I Danmark har vi ikke tradition for specielle Fiskertrøjer, som man har i de andre nordiske lande, men vi har tradition for at strikke strukturstriking helt tilbage fra 1600-tallet.

Den berømte Skagens maler Michael Ancher (1849 – 1927) har portrætteret mange af sin bys fiskerne, men vi må gætte os til, hvilken lun uldtrøje de har haft på under deres vindtætte jakker. Sweateren har helt sikkert været i håndspundet uldgarn og fast i strukturen, så fiskeren kunne holde varmen i al slags vejr.

Man kan måske overføre strukturstrikingen i den danske sweater fra f.eks. de engelske – det handlede om at gøre trøjen så isolerende som muligt med små midler.

Sømandstrøjen blev oprindeligt til efter engelsk forlæg, idet man her år forinden havde lavet håndstrikkede udgaver af de kendetegnende strikkede “knopper”, som giver trøjen dens unikke varmeegenskaber - og smukke ydre. Den strikkede knop fremkom som en besvarelse af spørgsmålet: hvordan skaber man mest isolering for mindst forbrug af uld? Når knoppen er svaret, så skyldes det at den skaber en lille isolerende lomme af luft, som altså varmer - uden at veje. <https://dk.sns.herning.com>

ISAGER GARN

Til at repræsentere den danske sweater i Nordic Craft Week har vi valgt et design fra Isager Garn. Isager er en traditionsrig virksomhed, der bygger på håndværksmæssige værdier og som værner om håndarbejdet og materialerne. Til at strikke Foras bidrag til Nordic Craft Week har Karen Sejlund velvilligt strikket hele foråret i 2022. Karen Sejlund er en erfaren strikker, der også har eget firma, som tilbyder færdigstrik - www.haandstrik.com Der er spændende læsning om Karen Sejlunds historie.

Anchers sweater er designet af Marianne Isager. Det var et enkelt mønster i ret og vrang, der blev udgangspunkt for Anchers trøje til Skagens Museum. Trøjen blev designer i forbindelse med en udstilling om Ancher, til Skagens Museumsbutik.

Isager har siden 1977 været leverandør af skandinavisk strikdesign og kvalitetsgarner i naturfibre, begge dele kendt og elsket af strikkere verden over. Garner og opskrifter forhandles i udvalgte butikker i Danmark og internationalt, ligesom Isagers grundlægger, Marianne Isager, og hendes datter og medejer af firmaet, Helga Isager, står bag en række populære strikkebøger.

Historien om Isager begyndte med designeren Åse Lund Jensen (1920-1977), der etablerede værksted i 1960 og arbejdede med udgangspunkt i den danske håndarbejds tradition, men især hentede sin inspiration i den Islandske og Færøske strikkekultur. I samarbejde med Henrichsens uldspinderi sammensatte hun et sortiment af kvalitetsgarner i uld, og hendes egne favoritter, Spinni og Jensen Yarn, er i dag fortsat en del af Isagers sortiment.

I forbindelse med valg af materialer især til Anchers Trøje, skriver Isager:

”Har man ikke mulighed for selv at spinde sit garn, kan vi anbefale den klassiske kvalitet ”Isager Jensen yarn”, som giver en tæt og varm sweater. Ønskes sweateren lidt lettere, strikker vi den med to tråde Isager. Highland. Begge kvaliteter findes i mange fine farver.”

GARNKVALITET

Om garnkvalitet skriver grundlæggeren af Isager Strik, Åse Lund Jensen: Vær kritisk ved køb af garn. *”Det er et stort arbejde at strikke en jumper og ærgerligt at se den krybe og ”ulde” efter få ganges vask. Vær rolig for at den gamle regel om at ”billigt garn er det dyreste” også gælder her. Rent skønhedsmæssigt falder de gode garner også langt finere ud end de grove, billige garner med krasse kulører.”*

En af uldleverandører hos Isager Strik skriver:

”Kontakten direkte til farmene giver os nogle åbenlyse kvalitetsfordele, fordi vi kan spore hvert enkelt parti uld tilbage til den farm, ulden kommer fra. Vi accepterer kun uld fra de farme, der lever 100 % op til vores krav om ”Best Farming Practises” og ”Animal Welfare”. Dette betyder, at vi kan garantere, at al uld, som er leveret med vores integritetsmærke, kommer fra får, som ikke har været udsat for f.eks., mulesing.”

Fora vil med denne fortælling vise, at der er megen opmærksomhed på strik- og garnbuddet i Danmark. Denne opmærksomhed håber vi, vil brede sig til strik- og garnindustrien, så alle kan få gode bæredygtigt tøj og oplevelser.

OPSKRIFT

Her finder du opskriften til Anchers Trøje: isagerstriik.dk/vare/anchors-sweater-kvinder/



ENGLISH

In Denmark, we do not have a tradition of special fisherman's sweaters, as we have in the other Nordic countries, but we do have a tradition of knitting structural knitting dating back to the 1600s.

The famous Skagen painter Michael Ancher (1849 – 1927) has portrayed many of his town's fishermen, but we must guess what a warm wool sweater they have worn under their windproof jackets. The sweater has been in hand-strapped wool yarn and firmly in the structure, so the fisherman could keep warm in all kinds of weather.

You might be able to transfer the texture knitting in the Danish sweater from, for example, the English ones – it was about making the shirt as insulating as possible with small means.

The sailor's shirt was originally made after the English model, as years before had made hand-knitted versions of the characteristic knitted "studs", which give the shirt its unique warmth properties - and beautiful exterior. The knitted knob appeared as an answer to the question: how to create the most insulation for the least consumption of wool? When the bud is the answer, it is because it creates a small insulating pocket of air, which thus warms - without weighing. dk.sns.herning.com

ISAGER GARN

To represent the Danish sweater in Nordic Craft Week, we have chosen a design from Isager Yarn. Isager is a traditional company that is based on craftsmanship values and protects craftsmanship and materials. To knit Fora's contribution to Nordic Craft Week, Karen Sejlund has willingly knitted all spring in 2022. Karen Sejlund is an experienced knitter who also has her own company that offers ready-made knitting - haandstrik.com. There is exciting reading about Karen Sejlunds story.

Ancher's sweater was designed by Marianne Isager.

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The Danish company Isager has since 1977 been supplying patterns and quality yarns made from natural fibres, both known and loved by knitters the world over. The yarns and patterns are sold in selected shops in Denmark and internationally. The founder of Isager, Marianne Isager, and her daughter and co-owner of the company Helga Isager, are behind a line of popular knitting books.

The history of Isager began with designer Åse Lund Jensen (1920-1977), who established her studio in 1960. Åse Lund Jensen's work was rooted in the Danish crafts tradition, but she took her inspiration in particular from the Icelandic and Faroes knitting cultures. In cooperation with Henrichsen's Yarn Mill Åse Lund Jensen made a range of high-quality woolen yarns and her own favorites Spinni and Jensen Yarn are still part of Isager's range today.

YARN QUALITY

The founder Åse Lund Jensen wrote: *“Be critical when purchasing yarn. It is a great job to knit a jumper and it is a shame to see it crawl and “wooly” after a few washes. Rest assured that the old rule “cheap yarn is the most expensive” also applies here. In terms of beauty, the good yarns also look far finer than the coarse, cheap yarns with scratchy colors.”*

One of wool suppliers at Isagers Yarn writes:

“Contacting the farm directly gives us some obvious quality benefits, because we can trace each batch of wool back to the farm from which the wool comes. We only accept wool from the farms that live up to our requirements for “Best Farming Practices” and “Animal Welfare”. This means that we can guarantee that all wool that comes with our integrity mark comes from sheep that have not been exposed to, for example, mulesing.”

With this story, Fora will show that there is a lot of attention to the knitting and yarn supply in Denmark. We hope this awareness will spread to the knitwear and yarn industry, so that everyone can have good sustainable clothes and experiences.

KNITTING PATTERN

Download the pattern for Anchers Shirt here: isagerstrik.dk/vare/anchers-sweater-kvinder/

