

# Old habits start young

Our grandparents grew up with knitting and crochet as a standard part of their education. They passed these skills down to their loved ones—with joy and an unspoken pride in the tradition of making things by hand to be worn and used year after year. The process of creating something stitch by stitch, and the satisfaction of getting to wear, wrap up in and adorn your home with the finished product, is a sentiment to be shared with those around you. The twelve designs in YARN The Family Issue were photographed at the Zuiderzee Museum in Holland, the perfect historical setting to showcase patterns that are both new and selected from the Scheepjes archives. They are ready for the next generation.



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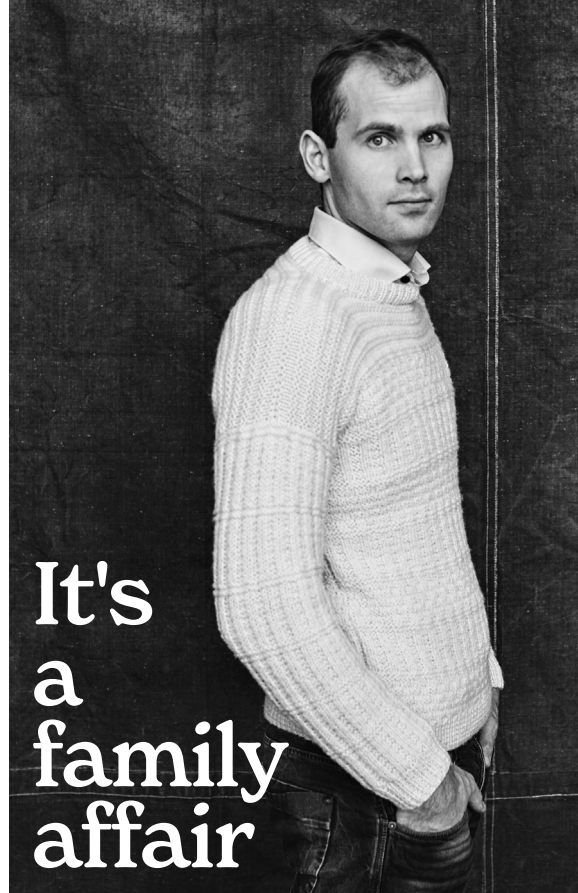
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# It's a family affair

**E**xactly 9 years ago, I was featured in the first issue of YARN Bookazine alongside my parents and children, all of us wearing a traditional knitted jumper whose style originates from the Dutch town of Harlingen, known for its maritime heritage. This was in honor of Scheepjes, the quintessential Dutch yarn brand that we revived after 22 years of silence. Now, 17 issues and 264 patterns later, YARN is ready for a new look with the theme of Family, which is fitting since our company, De Bondt, originated as a family business in the 1970s. In the spirit of family, connectedness and continued growth, we present 12 patterns to crochet or knit that can become treasured heirlooms. After all, crafting is so much more than a hobby; it represents love, tradition, and pride, benefits both body and mind, is fulfilling, and brings people together generation after generation.

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# Explorer blanket

BY RACHELE CARMONA

With its soft puff stitches and varied textures, this blanket is destined to become a cosy favourite as the days grow cooler. Drape it over a chair or sofa, tuck it into a crib, or let it shine as a charming decorative accent in the bedroom. The scalloped edging adds a distinctly Dutch touch, a true piece of craftsmanship.

SCHEEPJES SCRUMPTIOUS





# Numi the cat

BY CHER MARCUS

The love you knit into this cute toy is bound to be cherished by its new owner. Numi, the red tomcat, features long, cuddly paws and large ears perfect for little hands to hold.

The button eyes (securely fastened) catch the light, while the tiny bell reveals Numi's whereabouts. Add a few drops of fragrance to the stuffing to ensure Numi never strays far.

**SCHEEPJES TRULY SCRUMPTIOUS**

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# Illusion blanket

BY JELLINA VERHOEFF

The crocheted blanket is a cherished part of Dutch culture. In the 19th century, it was the showpiece of the bedroom. This design with a graphic pattern creates a sense of depth in rich blue tones. A true masterpiece—one you'll never tire of admiring.

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# Willemijn bag

BY JOHANNA LINDAHL &  
FRANCA KRIJNSEN

Sturdy yet soft, round, and generous—the crochet bag has never truly gone out of style, continually reinventing itself. A timeless favourite, this version features an embossed floral motif, evoking the delicate beauty of lace. It looks especially elegant in a subtle beige shade. Perfect as a project bag for your craft supplies, too.

SCHEEPJES LEGACY NO. 6

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Stone Washed XL yarn delivers a woolly feel without any wool content. The design features raglan sleeves for a snug, comfortable fit.



The self-striping and solid variants of Arcadia are alternated in a specific pattern, resulting in an eye-catching design. Knitted with yarn held double, this scarf is perfect for beginners eager to make quick progress. The Wool blend ensures it's wonderfully warm, too.





# Sunday jumper

BY SUSANNAH KATE

Sunday is family day—a time to eat together, play games, or go for a walk. This crochet jumper, which appears knitted, is cleverly designed and perfect for the occasion! A beautiful, feminine piece for ladies young and old, with a stand-out stitch pattern in a bold, solid shade.

**SCHEEPJES ARCADIA**



# Zuiderzee wrap

BY EMMA LEITH

Whether inspired by bricks, winter skies, fishing nets, or wooden boats, this large wrap reflects the colours of its Dutch surroundings. Everyone will covet this versatile design—it complements any wardrobe beautifully. A mindful crochet project, the pattern soon becomes second nature, leaving your hands free to do the work.

SCHEEPJES WHIRL



Trousers and vest, and striped t-shirt [tally-ho.nl](http://tally-ho.nl)