



Külli Jacobson was born on April 2nd, 1970 in Tallinn. She studied applied mathematics at Tartu University and Economics at UCONN. In 2008 she and her family moved to the countryside in Põlva County, to Leppoja farm, which is situated in the middle of beautiful nature.

In 2011, she founded OÜ Kagu Kudujad (*South-East Knitters*). Besides her entrepreneur activities, she teaches mathematics at Värska Gümnaasium in Setoland, ESTONIA.

Kagu Kudujad has actively promoting traditional Estonian hand knitting for seven years now. Külli has been the head knitter ever since. During that time new designs have been introduced, a booklet of 16 flower patterns from Siberia has been published. There is a KNIT YOUR OWN kit, which includes instructions of how to knit a mitten.

The mittens and gloves by Kagu Kudujad have been given the SETO KIMMÄS quality mark. The GREENER MARK of Põlva County has been given to mittens with South Estonian patterns. The Estonian Folk Art and Craft Union gave the mittens knitted by Külli a CERTIFIED ESTONIAN ARTISANAL CRAFT title. Külli is also a well-known knitting instructor and she organizes craft tours to Setoland

The mittens are hand knitted by the master knitters of Kagu Kudujad. The choice of colors reflects the artistic taste of the knitter and her state of mind. In older times mittens were made tight, to keep warmth and block wind. They were knitted with thin wool yarn using five thin needles. All the items at the show are produced in the same traditional way.



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