

# The 'Bressay'

## upright spinning wheel

\$129.00

The Bressay Wheel has been developed from an original brought to New Zealand in the early Colonial days from Bressay, a major island in the Shetland Group.

The Bressay Wheel is accurately engineered and is a highly functional wheel in the true Colonial style, as well as being an aesthetic piece of furniture at a reasonable price.

Features of the Bressay Wheel includes:

- ☆ Manufactured from *dakua-kauri* for its stability and resistance to warping and cracking.
- ☆ Antique stained and oiled to give the natural golden beauty of the *kauri* timber.
- ☆ The laminated wheel has been engineered for weight and a lifetime of accurate spinning.
- ☆ All moving parts are fitted into pre-oiled leather bearings.
- ☆ Large spindle orifice.
- ☆ Four good-sized bobbins.
- ☆ Built-in bobbin rack.
- ☆ Two speed whorl.
- ☆ The drive is by the double band continuous belt system. This is more efficient than the cheaper single cord and rubber band brake which even good spinners have to keep adjusting constantly.
- ☆ Fine screw adjustment to driving belt.
- ☆ Easily handled threading book.
- ☆ Solid wide-spread legs.
- ☆ The treadle extends over the front bar so that you get a toe and heel push-pull action. This makes for smoother turning and less strain on ankle muscles.

The Shetland Islanders habitually carried their wheels into the fields to spin while supervising their flocks. It is for this reason the Shetland upright spinning wheel was of a compact and easily transportable design.

We find frequently that spinners today request the same requirements before purchasing their wheel. Often spinners join together to spin socially over afternoon tea and accordingly require a wheel which is compact and easily transported on the back seat of the family car. (No dismantling required.) It is for this reason that we have chosen the Shetland upright spinning wheel design for our "Bressay" Wheel.

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