

**Eliza Chappell, VP Retail Operations, Women's Wear Designer**

A designer by training and entrepreneur by experience, Eliza is passionate about sustainable apparel and contemporary design. As women's wear designer, Eliza designs the Ramblers Way women's collection. She also directs the design studio sewing team in crafting innovative, sustainable, comfortable, and stylish clothing made from premium natural fabrics like Merino/Rambouillet wool and Pima cotton.

To bring New England consumers sustainable apparel, Eliza led the opening of the first Ramblers Way store in Kennebunk along with Portsmouth and Hanover, New Hampshire.

Prior to joining Ramblers Way in 2009, Eliza worked in new product development and sales at Tom's of Maine. She ran her own hand weaving business from 1997 to 1999.

Eliza's apparel training began with international fiber artist Ed Johnetta Miller at the Hartford Artisans Weaving Center in Connecticut and with master weaver Randall Darwall at Haystack Mountain School of Crafts in Deer Isle, Maine. Her love of sewing and design began in her eighth grade home economics class when she designed and sewed a period gown to wear in Kennebunkport's Old Home Parade.

Eliza holds a BA in International Studies from Trinity College and studied at Parsons School of Design with Victor Soto, a veteran in the field.