

Beginning Quilting classes start on 2/14 and will be on each Thursday until March 7th. The class is designed for those that have a working knowledge of their machine and would like to learn the fundamentals of quilting. Each class will work with 1-2 different quilt patterns, from the basic 4 patch to the Ohio star. We will also touch on sewing machine care, safety, fabric selection, color, value, design, tools of the trade and one or two shortcuts.

Materials list

sewing machine in working order
sewing machine manual

Bobbins to fit your machine

sewing machine needles, sizes 10-14 or 70-90 will work for piecing

Selection of fabric (solids and prints, 1/2 to 1 yard each, your choice) in a color range that is pleasing to you. At the end of this class series you should have enough finished blocks for a small sampler quilt.

Scissors-a good pair will be your friend for a long time. I have a small pair for close work and at least one 8" bent handle pair. These are FABRIC scissors, NOT paper scissors.

Thread-cotton or polyester. If you can bring one each and see which one you prefer. Match your fabrics or use a neutral for piecing. This is up to you. Once you're hooked on quilting one color is never enough

Rotary cutter-one that has replaceable blades. A 45MM cutter is a good starter size.

Cutting mat-try to acquire one with a grid, possibly self healing. Size-18" x 12" or 18" x 24" will work for this class.

See Thru ruler with a measured grid. The grids help in lining up your fabric before you cut. 24x6 or 18 x 3 are good for cutting strips. A 6" x 6" or 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" are a must when you are squaring up your block pieces and finished block. There are rulers of just about any size you want and/or need. These are suggestions for those who are just starting.

Regular sewing pins or glass headed pins. The glass ones are easy to pick up and you can iron over them and they do not melt all over your fabric

Pin Cushion

Thimble

and not to be forgotten, because you will use it no matter what level of quilting you strive for.... a SEAM RIPPER. Yes, there are times when un-sewing is needed.

We will have irons, ironing boards and design boards ready for you.