

✦ Quilt Beginnings ✦

Ruler Work Retreat

Friday & Saturday

March 2, 5pm-9pm, March 3, 10am-5pm

Supply List

Instructor: Libby Van Treese

Dates: Friday, March 2, 5pm-9pm, and Saturday March 3, 10am-5pm

Project description: Create a Whole Cloth Sampler using an assortment of rulers. Using the Westalee Starter Set & the Design Template Set 1 you will learn to create a variety of designs. Learn how to properly set up your machine to achieve successful quilting with rulers. Learn how to measure and mark your quilts for precise ruler work. Pizza Friday Night and Lunch provided on Saturday.

Book: Janet's Ruler Quilt Design Book, by Janet Collins

Fabric requirements:

4-6 - 10" Quilt Sandwiches (top fabric, batting, and backing) for practicing techniques before tackling your project

1-Whole Cloth Quilt Sandwich 27" x 37", Solid top (or very minimal tone on tone), batting and backing basted together, Spray baste, use fusible batting, or pin.

Contrasting thread

Rulers/Templates needed:

Westalee Design 12" Arc Template & Ruler Foot (low, medium or high shank—depending on your machine) Bernina owners need Bernina Ruler Foot

Westalee Design Sampler Template Set 1 (high or low shank)

Westalee Cross Hair Ruler

Please see reverse for additional instructions

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Book, ruler foot, both ruler sets, & cross hair ruler are available to be ordered as a kit if you are new to ruler work and don't have any of the templates. If you already have some of the supplies just purchase the pieces you need.

Sewing supplies:

1. Sewing Machine & Accessories
2. A sew steady table or quilting table (extension table that fits your machine) Very important for successful ruler work—you need a larger flat surface than the arm of the machine.
3. Scissors to clip threads
4. 12.5" Cross hair square
5. Free Motion Glider by Sew Steady
6. Frixion pen or chaco marker that contrasts with your whole cloth
7. Machine quilting gloves (Grabaroos or Machingers)

Prior to class:

1. If you have never used your machine for Free Motion Quilting, please come in at 4pm on Friday if you can so that we can get your machine set up while the Tech Guys are available. Their knowledge of all the different makes and models of machines is phenomenal and they can help us get you set up for a successful weekend!
2. Check up on how to lower the feed dogs for free motion on YOUR machine, turn off pressure foot lift and how to adjust tension. (all machines are different--bring your owner's manual if unsure)
3. Baste your whole cloth quilt, 27 x 37
4. Assemble four to six -10" quilt sandwiches for practicing and testing tension. (Top, batting & backing)
5. If your machine has given you any trouble while sewing, please have it serviced and tell the technicians you are preparing for a free motion class. They will make sure it is up to snuff and ready to free motion and sew great for ruler work!