

Supply List Information for *Quilting Basics* classes

Selecting Fabrics

Staff members at the Quilted Angel in Petaluma are prepared to help you with your fabric selections. 100% cotton fabrics are best for quilting. Check end of fabric bolt for fabric content and width. Polyester and polyester blends are not suitable for quilting.

You will be most pleased with your results by selecting solids or subtly shaded solids for your blocks. Although they are lovely, batiks would not be suitable for a beginning project; they are tightly woven and a bit more difficult to hand sew or hand quilt, especially for the beginner.

Preparing Fabrics

All fabrics should be washed, dried & pressed. Washing removes sizing, pre-shrinks fabric, and checks for colorfastness. Washing makes it easier to push a needle through the fabric and will remove chemicals that may shorten the life of your quilt.

Quilting Basics 1 – Hand Pieced Patchwork Class

Quilt making doesn't necessarily require expensive equipment, fancy tools or workspace beyond the kitchen table. The focus of this class will be learning the techniques for creating a small quilt entirely by hand. We will create templates for marking fabric; transfer shapes to fabric, cut out shapes and hand sew shape pieces into 4 – 6 traditional quilt blocks.

Bring to first class:

- Sharp scissors that will cleanly cut fabric
- Ultra Fine Point Sharpie-type permanent marker, black
- Straight edge, regular ruler, 12 – 18" long
- 1 sheet of Template Plastic, heavy weight, opaque or clear, no grids

Fabric:

Fabric requirements to complete your patchwork blocks will be discussed at the first class meeting. It is not necessary to bring fabric to **the first class meeting, practice fabric will be provided**. However, if you are comfortable purchasing fabric on your own, you may purchase fabric for your blocks and bring them to the first class meeting. You will need –

- **1/3 yard, 44" wide, background fabric**; I recommend a light color with a very small print or a light color tone on tone.
- **1/3 yard, 44" wide, medium or dark value fabric**; this will be your **"focus" fabric**, choose this fabric first then select the background and contrast fabrics to compliment this fabric choice.
- **1/3 yard, 44" wide, medium or dark value fabric** that will **contrast** with your focus fabric.

Still have questions?

Please email pamiquilt@alcquilting.com

Quilting Basics 2 – Finishing Your Patchwork Class

You have finished hand piecing your patchwork blocks, now what? Learn to finish your project in this class. We will combine blocks using sashing and borders to create a quilt top, learn about batting and backing; layer our quilts; learn the art of hand quilting and how to finish our quilt with a binding and a label.

Bring to first class:

- 2 – 4 finished patchwork blocks up to 12” square
- Sharp scissors that will cleanly cut fabric
- Ultra Fine Point Sharpie-type permanent marker, black
- Straight edge, regular ruler, 12 – 18” long
- ½ yard, 44” wide, 100% cotton fabric to compliment or contrast your patchwork blocks.

Fabric:

The amount of fabric you will need to finish your project depends on the number of blocks you have finished. Your finished project may be a pillow cover using one block, a wall hanging using four blocks; multiple pillow covers using one block each; a table runner using two – three blocks; or, a small wall hanging using just one block.

Depending on the size of your project, you will also need batting & additional fabric for the backing and the binding – all to be determined at the first class meeting.

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