

# MADE IN AMERICA

Finished size 60" x 60"



Supply List:

**Made in America** by Claudia Dinnell \$90.00

## Fabric Supply List:

3 yards	White, cream, light grey, or light tan tone on tone background
1 yard	Blue Medium to Dark print for inner and outer borders <b>(Not needed in class)</b>
½ yard	Blue Patriotic Print for sashing the center blocks <b>(Not needed in class)</b>
¼ yard	3-5 different Blue Prints for piecing the stars <b>(Not needed in class)</b>
8 yards	Shape Flex by Pellon SF101 (Woven lightweight fusible interfacing)
3 ½ yards	Backing fabric colorful and patriotic <b>(Not needed in class)</b>
62" x 62"	Batting <b>(Not needed in class)</b>

## Embroidery Supply List:

Stabilizers:

Medium Weight Tear Away (20" wide roll)

Polymesh Cutaway (20" wide roll)

Removable fabric marking pen

Basic Embroidery Kit including: small doubled curved scissors, long straight pointy tweezers, etc.

Arrow Shaped Post-it-Notes

Embroidery Needles 80/12

## Sewing Supply List

50wt. Cotton Thread matching the fabric. **(Not needed in class)**

Basic sewing kit including: scissors, pins, rotary cutter & mat, long straight ruler, etc.

Starch or sizing

Optional: 20 ½" square ruler for accurate marking & trimming. **(Not needed in class)**

## 40wt Embroidery Threads: (Isacord thread #'s listed)

Red #1912

Blue #3353

Black #0020

Gray #4073

## or 50wt Cotton Threads: (Aurifil thread #'s listed)

Red #2260

Blue #2745

Black #2692

Gray #1246



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## Cutting Instructions



Spray the Background fabric with sizing and or starch and press well before cutting:

The Background fabric could be white, tan, light grey or cream colored. Use tone on tone fabric or subtle print.

### Cutting Instructions for Background Fabric:

#### Cut (1) strip 12" wide x the 42" width of fabric:

Sub cut into:

(2) 12" x 21" rectangles (Eagle and Mount Rushmore Blocks)

#### Cut (1) strip 21" wide x the 42" width of fabric:

Sub cut into:

(2) 21" x 21" squares:

Sub cut (1) square into:

(1) 12" x 21" rectangle (Capitol block)

Do not sub cut the remaining 21" x 21" square

(1) 21" x 21" square (Lady Liberty Block)

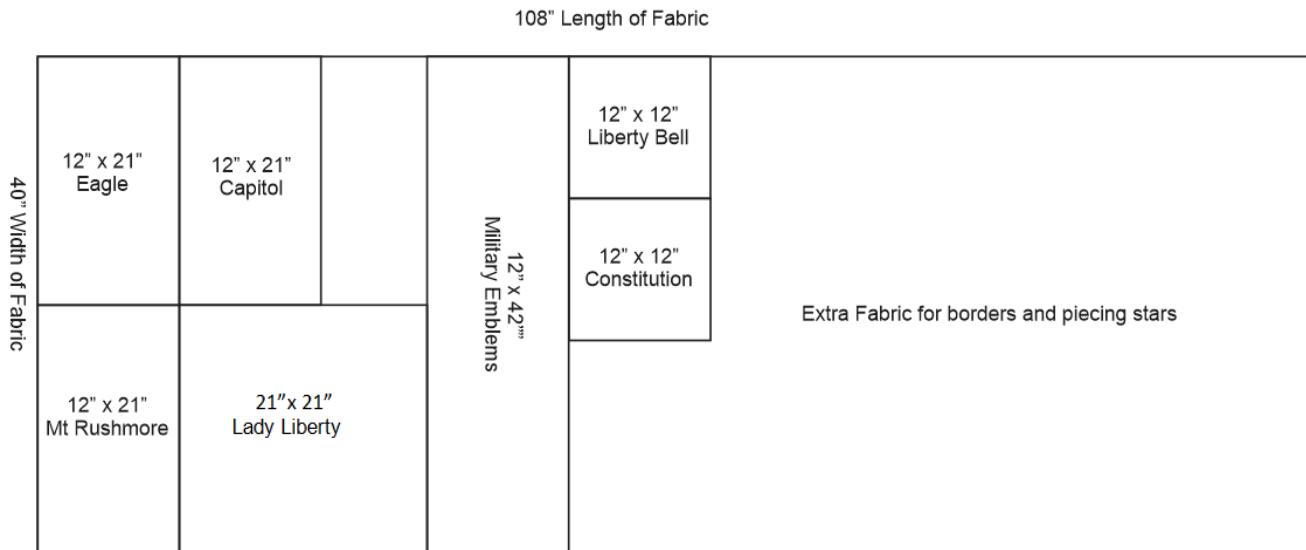
#### Cut (2) strips 12" x the 42" width of fabric:

Do not sub cut one of the strips.

(1) 12" x 42" strip (Military Emblems Block)

Sub cut (1) strip into:

(2) 12" x 12" squares (Liberty and Constitution Blocks)



### Block preparation for Embroidery:

Place the adhesive side of the Shape Flex 101 by Pellon on the wrong or back side of **each starched** background piece. Spray the interfacing with water. If desired cover with a muslin pressing cloth. Starting in the center and working outward, **press** (not iron) the two layers together with a steam iron. **To Press:** Set and hold the iron on long enough to **dry the spray (7-10 seconds)** on the fabric. Pick up the iron and set it next to the pressed area. This will **completely seal** the layers together. Make sure to seal the edges! Starch each background piece after the Shape Flex has been added. The Shape Flex will shrink smaller than the fabric, don't worry that is expected!

Each student must bring an empty **USB stick** that (works with their machine) to class.

I will transfer the designs to their stick at the beginning of class.

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**Step #1: Cutting Instructions:** Cut the blocks by following the **Cutting Instructions** page.

### Step #2: Block Preparation

Follow the **Block Preparation for Embroidery** on the **Cutting Instructions** page.

### Step #3: Cut Polymesh Cut Away Stabilizer

Cut a piece of Polymesh Stabilizer 5" larger (all around) than the Lady Liberty and the Eagle blocks. You will need to piece the Polymesh sections together to get the correct size. Overlap the Polymesh sections by 2" (use adhesive spray).

Cut (1) Polymesh 31" x 31" (Lady Liberty block)

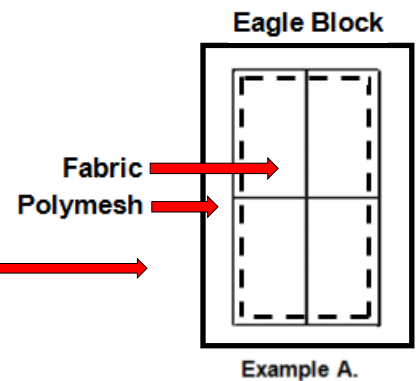
Cut (1) Polymesh 22" x 31" (Eagle Block)

Center the fabric over the stabilizer and use temporary adhesive spray to glue to two layers together. See **Example A.**

Top layer – fabric (ironed and starched)

Middle layer – Shape Flex (ironed & starched to back of fabric)

Bottom layer - Polymesh (glued to the Shape Flex)



### Step #4: Marking the fabric:

Mark a center crosshair on **each block the full width and length** of the fabric. This takes some time so please take your time and be accurate.

Use a removable pen (with a thin tip).

I use a 20 ½ square ruler to mark my fabric to be accurate.

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Click on the workshop tab/ Instructional Videos / Perfect Placement

Add additional lines to:

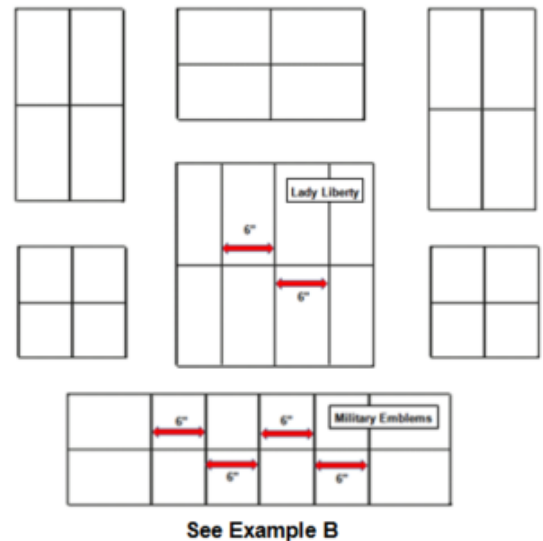
#### Lady Liberty Block:

Add Vertical lines 6" apart on either side of the center Vertical line.

#### Military Emblem Block:

Add Vertical lines 6" & 12" apart on either side of the center Vertical line.

See **Example B.**



### Step #5: Sew Polymesh & Basting Stitches on Lady Liberty & Eagle Blocks

Sew all around the fabric block, 1/8" from the edge sewing the fabric to the Polymesh. Use your Dual feed or walking foot. This will help eliminate stretch during the embroidery process.

See example of Eagle block.

Change to a basting stitch: sew in between the drawn lines vertically and horizontally to help eliminate stretching during embroidery.

Bring all cut and prepared pieces to class. I like to hang my prepared blocks from a pant hanger to bring to class. This keeps them flat and wrinkle free.

Please make sure to prepare **The Lady Liberty** and **Eagle** blocks, they are first to be embroidered.

