

# Rae-Bon Sew & Quilt Shop

# SPOOLS OF NEWS

February 2023

for the sewist in the know

## ***NATIONAL EMBROIDERY MONTH***

When you think of machine embroidery, your mind probably goes right to embroidering a logo on a jacket or a design on a kitchen towel. But machine embroidery is SO much more than that! You could embroider blocks for a quilt top and then use traditional piecing methods to assemble and add additional blocks. You could do edge to edge quilting on your embroidery machine and create a quilt that looks like it was quilted on a long arm. You can make an in the hoop project like a zippered bag, ornament, or pillow (just to name a few). When the project comes out of the hoop it's completely done; no need to use your regular sewing machine. Use embroidery to add dimension to your project with fringe flowers, couch on yarn, attach silk flowers, the possibilities are endless. You're not even limited to just fabric;; stitch on wood or paper.

If you don't yet own an embroidery machine, you may be wondering how do you even decide which one is right for you. There are a few features to think about:

**Hoop Size** - This determines the largest area you can embroider. The larger the machines maximum hoop size the bigger design you can create. Machines start at 4" x 4". This size would work if you're looking to embroider a name on something or designs on towels. If you'd like to do edge to edge quilting, you want at least a 6" x 10" hoop. The top of the line has a maximum embroidery hoop of 10.63" x 16".

**Screen Size** - As you move up the line of machines the screens get larger providing you with more space for editing. A larger screen also means the design you're looking at will get larger making it easier to see. Larger screens are also touchscreens so all your editing and buttons are right on the screen versus using buttons on the machine right below the screen.

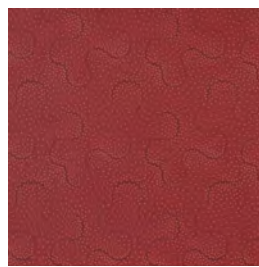
**Editing Capabilities** - All embroidery machines will allow you to do some resizing and rotating on the screen. As you move up in the line up of machines the ability to edit or even create your own embroidery designs increases.

**Built in Designs and Fonts** - Each machine has a variety of built in designs and fonts. As you move up the line there will be more built in designs and more fonts to choose from. With any of the machines you can purchase additional designs from various sources and transfer them either with a USB stick or on some machines wirelessly from a computer.

**Design Placement Features** - Some embroidery machines will have features to make placing your design easier like cameras, projectors, and phone apps.

Machine Embroidery is SEW much fun and full of possibilities. Stop in the shop to see a variety of samples all stitched with an embroidery machine. We'll also help you find just the right machine for your interests and budget.

**Store Hours:** Monday-Friday: 10am-5:30 pm ● Saturday: 10am-4pm ● Sunday: Closed  
3060 25th St SW Fargo, ND ● 701-433-7203 ● [www.rae-bon.com](http://www.rae-bon.com) ● [reddoor@rae-bon.com](mailto:reddoor@rae-bon.com)



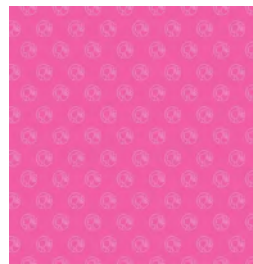
# COTTON BLOSSOM FARM

Kansas  
Troubles  
Quilters

a sampling of  
**NEW FABRIC**  
**THAT just ARRIVED**

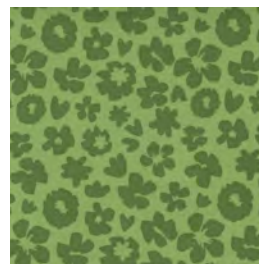


# BARBIE GIRL



# ZINNIA

April Rosenthal





# Guide to Gadgets

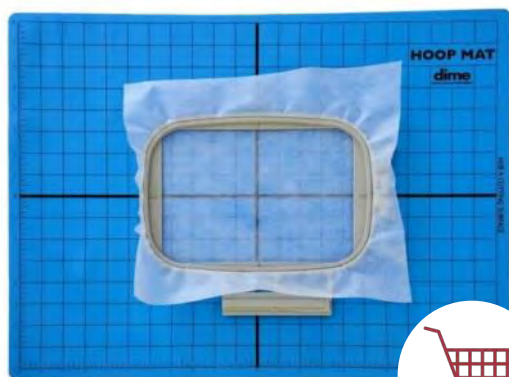
*making your life easier one gadget at a time*

## Gadgets for Hand or Machine Embroidery



### Mermaid Tail Embroidery Tool

A strong but flexible blade makes the Mermaid Tail Embroidery Tool super helpful when doing machine embroidery projects. It holds your fabric and other project parts in place while keeping your fingers safe and away from the rapidly moving needle.



### Hoop Mat by DIME

The DIME Hoop Mat is a silicone mat with printed grid and provides a non-skid hooping surface. You'll never have to chase your hoop around your table as you try to hoop especially with bulky materials. We especially love the Hoop Mat for Edge to Edge Quilting.



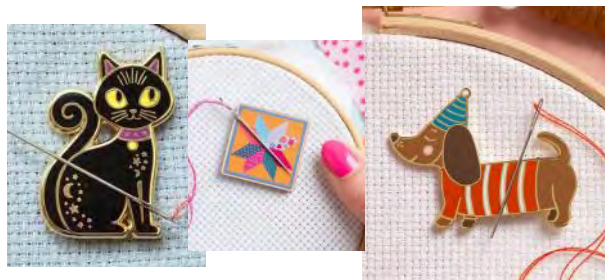
### Ugly Thimble

The Ugly Thimble isn't winning any beauty pageants, but it is winning with functionality. Do you have trouble finding a thimble that fits your finger just right? The Ugly Thimble is the answer! Using the included instructions you glue the leather and finger guards to perfectly form to your finger.



### Cutterpillar Glow Premium Light Tablet

Need to trace a pattern onto fabric for hand embroidery? The Cutterpillar Light Tablet is the way to go. It includes three different levels of light. No need to be tethered to a wall with a power cord, the light table can run for 3-4 hours on a single charge. Plus it is super thin so it won't take up a lot of space when not in use. Lighted area approx 12" x 16" Board approx 13" x 19"



### Needle Minder

Never lose your needle again! Attach a needle minder to your project and you always have a magnetic surface handy to hang onto your needle when you need to take a short break. Rae-Bon has various styles available.



## ***KIMBERBELL'S OH, SEW DELIGHTFUL***

Adorn your sewing room walls with Kimberbell's Oh, Sew Delightful! Quilts & Decor. This darling collection includes one 26" x 38" main quilt, three mini 12" x 12" quilts, three hanging photo frames, two mini hoops, and a dimensional pin cushion! Made in 5x7 (or larger) hoops, Oh, Sew Delightful! Quilts & Decor features Kimberbell's Vintage Flora fabric and a variety of delightful embellishments. From stylish scissors to beautiful buttons, "Life is Sew Good" with Kimberbell.

Preorder your bundle today including:

- Multiformat machine embroidery CD
- Fabric Kit: Vintage Flora Fabric by Kimberbell for the top, binding, backing, and other projects is included
- Embellishment Kit: Kimberbell has gathered all the darling details for your Oh, Sew Delightful! Quilts & Decor! Celebrate stitching with exclusive Bloomin' Pins, beautiful buttons, and a tomato pincushion of lush Velveteen. Plus so much more! This kit has everything you need to fully embellish all projects included in Kimberbell's Oh, Sew Delightful! Quilts & Decor.

**Arriving Mid February**





# New Block of the Month

## You are more Brave than you know...

Join us for a year of stitching up affirmations to remind you to be brave, courageous, and to just focus. This quilt is made using simple patchwork and easy hand embroidery stitches. The quilt can be successfully completed by a beginner or a more advanced sewer. The stitcheries are small enough to take on the road with you or put in a small basket to work on in front of the TV at night. Or for even more fun, join us in the shop the fourth Thursday of each month for camaraderie and hand stitching. We'll have coffee and a little bakery treat to snack on while you work on that month's block.

There is \$30 sign up fee. Each month the kit will be \$12.50 and include:

- Pattern and as an added bonus a recipe from Olive Grace Studios
- Fabrics for the three borders
- Cosmo floss

This is a twelve month block of the month beginning Thursday, February 23. Kits will be available to pick up on the third Monday of each month. You will receive the finishing kit in February 2024 with the sashing, cornerstones, and binding. The finished size is 42" x 55".



**Monthly Stitching**  
**Thursday, February 23**  
**10 am - Noon**



# FEBRUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  <b>Open Sew</b> 10 am - 5 pm	2  <b>Beginning Quilting</b> Session 4 of 4 1 - 4 pm	3	4  <b>Learn to Sew</b> Session 1 of 2 11:30 am - 4 pm
5	6  <b>Beginning Quilting</b> Session 2 of 4 1 - 4 pm or 6 - 9 pm	7  <b>Advanced Beginner Quilting:</b> Flying Geese Session 1 of 3 1 - 4 pm	8  <b>Open Sew</b> 10 am - 5 pm	9	10  <b>Petal Pop Zinnia Pillow</b> 1 - 5 pm	11  <b>Learn to Sew</b> Session 2 of 2 11:30 am - 4 pm
12	13  <b>Beginning Quilting</b> Session 3 of 4 1 - 4 pm or 6 - 9 pm	14  <b>Sew, What's New</b> 1:00 pm	15  <b>Open Sew</b> 10 am - 5 pm	16  <b>Beyond the Frame</b> 11 am	17  <b>Chevron Quilted Pillow</b> Session 1 of 2 11 - 5 pm	18  <b>Youth Sew Hooped Love Note</b> 1 - 4 pm
19	20  <b>Beginning Quilting</b> Session 4 of 4 1 - 4 pm or 6 - 9 pm	21  <b>Advanced Beginner Quilting:</b> Flying Geese Session 2 of 3 1 - 4 pm	22  <b>Open Sew</b> 10 am - 5 pm	23  <b>Brave BOM Stitching Group</b> 10-Noon	24	25
26	27  <b>Any Day Caddie</b> Machine Embroidery 1 - 5 pm	28  <b>Advanced Beginner Quilting:</b> Flying Geese Session 3 of 3 1 - 4 pm			<b>March 3</b>  <b>Chevron Quilted Pillow</b> Session 2 of 2 11 - 5 pm	



# CLASSES

## LEARN TO SEW

Sign Up

Saturday February 4 & 11  
11:30 am - 4:00 pm

Learn beginner sewing skills including how to use a sewing machine, fabric selection, and making three awesome projects during this two session class.

**Class 1:** During the first class you'll meet the Baby Lock Brilliant Sewing Machine and learn all about how a basic sewing machine works: threading, winding a bobbin, selecting your stitch and more. Jump into your first project by stitching up a pillowcase to take home at the end of the first class. We'll help you select fabric and you'll learn to use a rotary cutter, mat, and ruler for perfectly straight cuts. We'll start the second project, a tote bag with interior pockets. While making the tote you'll learn how to install handles, boxing bag corners, topstitching, and more.

**Class 2:** We'll finish your tote bag and tackle one of everyone's biggest fears . . . zippers! But no need to be afraid, thanks to our tips you'll be ready to sew zippers in everything. You'll leave class with a lined zipper bag.

The \$75 class fee includes nine hours of instruction time, three printed patterns, and use of the Baby Lock Brilliant Sewing Machine. You will also need to purchase fabric and supplies during each class. We'll supply all the tools for you the first week and discuss what you'll need to continue your sewing journey. To give you an idea additional supplies for class will cost approximately \$75. Your cost may be higher depending on which fabrics you select and what tools you need.



## BEGINNING QUILTING

Sign Up

Monday, January 30, February 6, 13, & 20  
1:00 - 4:00 pm or 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Do you want to learn to quilt or improve your skills? This is the class for you; no quilting experience needed.

However you do need to be comfortable with basic operation of your sewing machine including winding a bobbin, threading your machine, and sewing a straight line. At the end of the four sessions, you will have learned the basic skills of quilt making while making a



table topper. We want to make sure your quilt is completed at the end of the four sessions, so there will be homework each week.

**Class 1:** We'll be discussing tools and selecting fabrics. You'll also learn the basics of using a rotary cutter, mat, and ruler to cut your fabric.

**Class 2:** You'll need to bring your sewing machine to this class. We'll discuss sewing with an accurate 1/4" seam and start piecing your blocks.

**Class 3:** It's your first quilt so your blocks may not have turned out exactly the right size. It's okay! Diane will help you square up your blocks and determine how to cut your background so everything fits together. We'll also discuss various ways to quilt your table topper and you'll get started quilting.

**Class 4:** This week you'll finish up the quilting and learn how to finish off the edges with binding.

The \$99 class fee includes 12 hours of instruction. The book, *New Patchwork and Quilting Basics* is needed for class (\$24.95). This book is a great resource for quilting basics and includes many great project patterns. You will need to bring your sewing machine to class starting with the second week. During the first session, we'll discuss the tools needed for quilting and help you select fabric. On average students spend \$50-\$150 on fabric and additional supplies for class.

## ADVANCED BEGINNER QUILTING: FLYING GEESSE TABLE RUNNER

Tuesday, February 7, 21, & 28  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

[Sign Up](#)

Have you completed beginning quilting and your wondering what's next? Our new Advanced Beginner Quilting classes are the perfect next step. Each class series will focus on a different common quilt block that you'll see over and over again in quilts. First up is the Flying Geese Block. This block can be tricky to sew without losing one of the points. We have some great tips to help you easily and accurately sew this block. Just like Beginning Quilting, the goal is for you to finish the runner at the end of the three session, so there will be homework each session.



**Class 1:** You've already learned to cut your fabric during Beginning Quilting, so we'll have you do that ahead of time and we can get right to the sewing. During the first class, you'll learn to sew individual Flying Geese blocks and sew Flying Geese four at a time.

**Class 2:** Have you ever had trouble getting seams to match up? Nesting seams is the solution. You'll learn that and how to attach borders on your table runner this week.

**Class 3:** This week we'll do a slight twist on binding and add a flange.

Completion of Beginning Quilting is not a prerequisite for Advanced Beginner Quilting, but you do need to be comfortable with basic quilting skills including cutting fabric, 1/4" seam, and pressing.

The \$75 class fee includes nine hours of instruction time and printed pattern. You'll need to bring your sewing machine and basic sewing supplies each week. You'll also need to select fabric prior to class. We encourage you to purchase your fabric at Rae-Bon to better ensure a high quality finished product.

## CHEVRON QUILTED PILLOW

Friday, February 17 & March 3  
11:00 am-5:00 pm

[Sign Up](#)

Create a show stopping pillow featuring chevrons, decorative stitches, quilting, and textured piping. Plus the pillow is reversible with gorgeous decorative stitching on the revers. You'll learn lots of techniques that can be incorporated into future projects. The class fee is \$50 and includes the pattern. You will also need to purchase supplies and bring your sewing machine.



## PETAL POP ZINNIA PILLOW

Friday, February 10  
Noon - 5:00 pm

[Sign Up](#)

The Petal Pop Zinnia Pillow is an eye catching fat quarter friendly project. Use up a collection of fabrics or stash fabrics to make this 18" finished round pillow that will be the focal point of any room. A paper template for the petal shape is included in the pattern, but Jennifer highly recommends the acrylic cutting template for easy cutting. The class fee is \$20. You will also need to purchase the pattern, supplies, and bring your sewing machine.



## BRAVE BOM STITCHING GROUP

Thursday, February 23 10:00  
am - Noon

Working on the Brave BOM? Join us for a couple hours of camaraderie and stitching as you work on your block. We'll provide the coffee and the pastry. There is no charge for this group.





## BEYOND THE FRAME

Thursday, February 16 starting at 11:00 am

Looking for embroidery machine inspiration? Well look no further! Join us in the shop for Zandra Shaw's webinar series, Beyond the Frame! This series will teach and inspire you while you learn how to get the most out of your embroidery machine. There's something for everyone regardless of the size of your embroidery field. Join us in the shop each month to watch the webinar and visit with fellow embroiders. Bring a USB stick and receive the design files for that month's project. Everyone who attends will have a chance to win a design pack from Zandra! Best of all there is no charge for this club.



## ANY DAY CADDIE

(MACHINE EMBROIDERY PROJECT)

Monday, February 27 from 1:00-5:00 pm

[Sign Up](#)

Use your embroidery machine to make a quilted portable sewing caddy for your hand sewing needs in two hoopings and a little bit of machine sewing. The caddy includes four flat pockets, a zipper pocket, and an optional ribbon to secure your scissors.

The class fee is \$30 and includes the embroidery design and printed instructions. The design is \$15 if purchased separately. You will also need to purchase supplies and bring your embroidery machine. The minimum hoop size is 8 x 8.



## SEW, WHAT'S NEW?

Tuesday, February 14 at 1:00 pm

New items are always arriving at Rae-Bon Sew & Quilt Shop! Stop by each month for a fun filled social hour and show of everything new (fabric, notions, machines, etc.). Receive a 10% discount on any new items highlighted that day. Plus bring whatever you've been working - everyone loves a good show and tell.

[Sign Up](#)

## YOUTH SEWING:

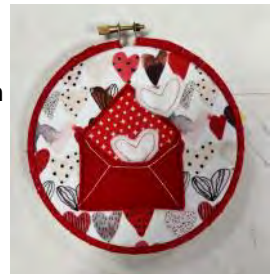
### HOOPED LOVE NOTE (AGES 8-15)

Saturday, February 18

10:00 am-12:45 pm or 1:15-4:00 pm

No sewing experience needed! Learn to sew while stitching up a three dimensional enveloped in a hooped frame. You'll learn to cut out pattern pieces, thread and sew on a sewing machine, and frame your piece. Class

is limited to the first 6 students. The class fee of \$30 includes all project supplies and use of a sewing machine.



## OPEN SEW

Need to get out of the house? Want to sew with friends? Bring a project and join us for Open Sew. Stay for a few hours or all day, it's up to you. We'll provide irons and the space to work. You bring your project and any supplies you need.

Open Sew is free, but sign up is required to reserve your spot as space is limited.

[Sign Up](#)

**Wednesday, February 1: 10 am - 5 pm**

**Wednesday, February 8: 10 am - 5 pm**

**Wednesday, February 15: 10 am - 5 pm**

**Wednesday, February 22: 10 am - 5 pm**

## New Owners Class

Explore the features and stitches of your new sewing machine. You will stitch samples, learn the functions of your machine, and basic cleaning. Open to Baby Lock, Brother, Pfaff, and Viking owners. No charge for machines purchased at Rae-Bon. The fee is \$75 for machines purchased elsewhere. New Owners Classes are by appointment. Please call the shop at 433-7203 to arrange a time. Bring your machine, accessory feet, foot control, power cord, spool of thread, and bobbin.

A new owners class is also available to learn the basics of machine embroidery. In class you'll learn the functions of your embroidery machine, stabilizer recommendations, hooping tips, and more. No charge for machines purchased at Rae-Bon. The fee is \$150 for machines purchased elsewhere.

## SEW AT YOUR OWN PACE RETREAT

# Let's Make Bags

Sandy & Jennifer love stitching bags of all kinds - handbags, tote bags, organizers, and more. Join them for a weekend of working on a bag(s). They have some fun games for you while you sew, prizes, and great lunches.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MARCH 10-12

10 AM - 10 PM

The sewing space is open from 10 am - 10 pm. You can sew as little or as much as you'd like.

### COUNTRY INN & SUITES

\$159 Registration fee includes sewing space with 6 foot table, lunch each day, trunk show, instructor assistance, games, and prizes.

#### **Don't want to drive home each night?**

Country Inn & Suites offers a special rate of \$99 per night. Just let them know you're with Rae-Bon.

Selecting a bag is such a personal choice that we thought rather than working on a project as a group, we'd provide a list of possible bags to work on. Select one (or two depending on your sewing speed) and Sandy & Jennifer will help you stitch it up.

- Gabby Bag from [Emmaline Bags](#)
- Aspen Bag from [Emmaline Bags](#)
- Snapshot from [byAnnie.com](#)
- Pinky Promise from [Little Moo Designs](#)
- Patchwork Duffel from [Knot & Thread Designs](#)
- Travel Essentials 2.0 from [byAnnie.com](#)
- Open Wide from [byAnnie.com](#)
- Social Stitchers by [Little Moo Designs](#)

None of these bags peak your interest? You can select a different pattern and we'll do our best to help you with construction.







Mark off your calendar for some exciting, fun, and educational events!

**March 10-13:**  
Let's Make Bags!

**August 18-20:**  
TBA . . . It's a Surprise

**April 21-23**  
Sewing Retreat

**September 23-25**  
TBA . . . It's a Surprise

**Thursday, April 27**  
One Day Special Event with Sallie Tomato

**September 28-October 1**  
Hankinson Retreat

**May 19-21**  
In the Hoop Machine Embroidery Projects

**October 19-21**  
TBA . . . It's a Surprise

**June 9-11**  
Tula Pink Inspired Projects  
featuring Everglow

**November 10-12**  
TBA . . . It's a Surprise

### CLASS POLICIES

Call, visit our website, or stop in to sign up and pay for the class of your choice. Class fee is due when you register.

The class supply list will be available when you register and pay for the class. Supplies are not included in the class fee unless otherwise specified. Please have supplies purchased before class. Kits required are available at the store. No photocopied or sharing of patterns or books will be allowed in classes.

Please be setup and ready to begin class at the specified time.

We consider your enrollment to be a commitment to take the class and we in turn make a commitment to the instructor. No cancellations are allowed on classes. Thank you for not asking us to make exceptions.

Your sewing machine or serger must be in top working condition before you arrive at class. Students whose equipment is not working properly disturb and slow down the class. We service all brands of machines and sergers so come see us prior to the start of the class.

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## National Embroidery Month Machine Spotlight

# Brother NQ3700

## Sewing/Embroidery Combo Machine

A combo machine with plenty to offer, the NQ3700D has luxurious features such as 313 built-in embroidery designs, including 55 Disney designs, 291 built-in stitches, and, when connected to a wireless network, the ability to send files wirelessly to your machine via Design Database Transfer.

See all your designs on the clear 4.85" color LCD touch screen display with an easy user interface. Here you can do on-screen editing, including letter editing, resizing, rotating, repositioning, drag and drop, and combining designs.

Combined with a generous 6" x 10" workspace, with the NQ3700D, there is no telling what you'll create next.

- Find, edit, and transfer designs in one place
- Step by-step projects for beginners
- Access designs and new ideas weekly
- Embroidery, cutting and combination inspiration






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sewing and embroidery machine

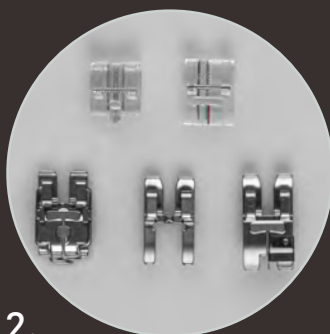
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## CELEBRATING 160 YEARS

For 160 years, PFAFF® has developed premium sewing machines distinguished by their sophisticated appearance, superior performance and ultimate design freedom. The new, limited-edition PFAFF creative™ ambition™ 640 sewing and embroidery machine is a love letter to this legacy. A delight to both sewists and embroidery lovers alike, this elegant machine boasts ease-of-use features and comes with introductory PC embroidery software and an exclusive accessory kit in celebration of the 160th anniversary.



- 1.
- Semi-Automatic Needle Threader**  
Thread the needle easily with just the push of a lever.



- 2.
- Exclusive Accessory Kit**  
Exclusive Accessory Kit with five bonus feet: Narrow Edge Foot for IDT™ System; Invisible Zipper Foot; Piping Foot; Couching/Braiding Foot for IDT System; and Open Toe Appliqué Foot for IDT System.



- 3.
- Software Included**  
PREMIER+™ 2 Intro PC Software included - perfect for if you're new to embroidery or getting back into it.



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## TOP FEATURES continued



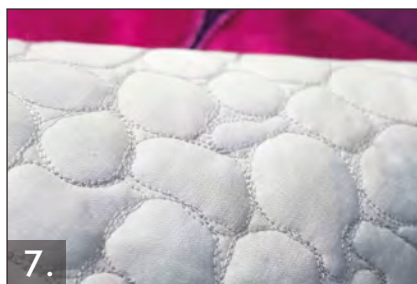
**4. Large Embroidery Area**  
Embroider large projects with the included *creative™* Master Hoop that measures 240x150mm.



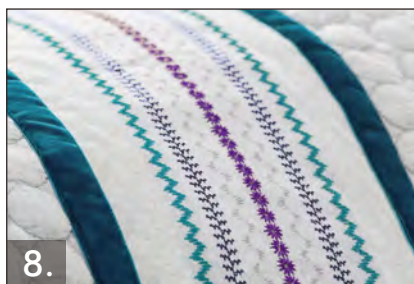
**5. The Original IDT™ System**  
The Integrated Dual Feed technology from PFAFF precisely feeds all types of fabric from the top and bottom.



**6. High Embroidery Speed**  
Embroider projects faster while maintaining the quality and precision that you expect from PFAFF.



**7. Free Motion**  
Simply attach the optional free-motion presser foot for easy quilting and free-motion stippling.



**8. A Wide Variety of Beautiful Stitches**  
Discover all the fantastic 7mm quality stitches from PFAFF - unique decorations with perfect stitches.



**9. 101 Fantastic Embroidery Designs**  
Choose from a variety of high-quality designs.



## Other Features

- One-Step Buttonhole
- 29 Needle Positions
- Needle Up/Down
- Two Embroidery Fonts Included
- Scale Embroidery Designs
- Design Basting
- Weight: 13kg (28.6lbs)
- Dimensions:
  - Length: 480mm
  - Width: 193mm
  - Height: 300mm

Whether you're new to sewing or a tenured enthusiast, this beautiful tribute to 160 years of PFAFF heritage has all the sewing and embroidery features you need to command your creativity.