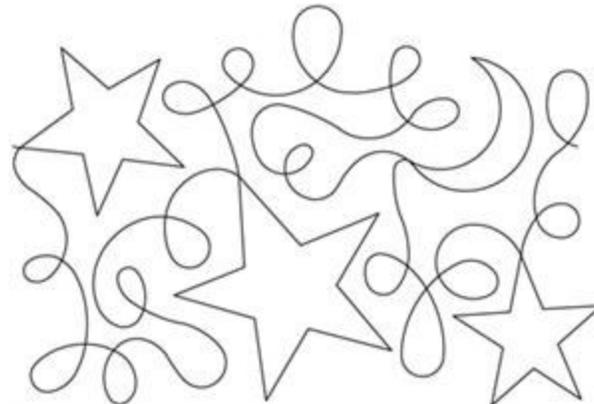


Here are some things to consider before bringing your quilt to us:

- Review your quilt top and objectively assess the strengths and weaknesses of its construction. Many construction issues can be addressed during the quilting process with proper planning. Our long arm quilters can suggest solutions to help overcome moderate degrees of distortions such as wavy borders and puffy centers.
- Your quilt top should be well pressed and threads trimmed. Pay special attention to dark threads that may show up behind lighter fabrics. If you intend to wash your quilt after quilting and binding (recommended) consider using sizing when pressing to tame seam allowances. *(Don't use starch if you don't plan to wash the quilt as starch is made from natural food products and may attract damaging pests. Best Press and Flatter may be used instead.)*
- Hang your quilt and backing on a hanger—it will stay neatly pressed!
- Stay stitch ¼" around the edge of your quilt. This is especially important for pieced borders. Place a safety pin in the upper, left corner.
- Check for weak or failing seams and repair where possible. Remove all added embellishments. We cannot accept quilt tops with flanges, folded borders or flaps.

- Your quilt back must be approximately 3-4 inches larger than your quilt top on all sides and should be squared up. The backing should not exceed 5-1/2 inches larger than the quilt top on any side. We will not accept sheets for backing (causes poor tension and thread breakage).
- Choose a backing fabric with a busy print in a color that will blend with the top thread. If piecing your backing, trim the selvage edges before sewing the seam. We recommend a 1/2 inch seam allowance, pressed open or to one side. Seams should run in a single direction where possible. Centering a quilt top on a pieced batting is rarely accurate and more costly due to the increased preparation and planning time involved.
- If we will be applying or applying and finishing the binding for your project the binding should be ready for attachment (double fold, pre-cut, seamed on the diagonal, and seams pressed open or to one side). We recommend you start with 2-¼ to 2-½ inch strips for your binding. Binding may be straight or bias.



- Quilting preferences. Do you prefer an airy or dense look to the overall, edge to edge quilting? Pricing is based on the density/ complexity of the chosen design. Our long arm quilters can help you decide what is just right for your design and fabric choices!

Batting

We strongly recommend that you purchase your batting from us. We carry Quilters Dream Batting in 100% cotton, polyester, 70/30 and wool. We reserve the right to refuse batting that we believe will not work well with our machine or produce the desired, quality result.

Grooming Services

We can provide a variety of grooming services prior to, or after, quilting your quilt. Our quilters will review your quilt for any necessary repairs prior to quilting and provide an estimate. We charge \$25/hour for these services with a minimum 1/4-hour. Services include piecing backing, squaring up the quilt, trimming threads, and stay stitching. Binding costs are quoted by the linear inch, please ask about options.

Pricing

The pricing for long arm quilting services is based on the overall size of the quilt and the complexity of the quilting, and measured in price per square inch.

Our prices range from 2–3 cents per square inch for overall, edge to edge quilting based on the density/complexity of the pattern chosen.

Pricing includes Superior So Fine thread for the top and Bottom Line thread for the bobbin. Specialty thread choices are available and will result in an additional charge.

Binding services are based on the linear (around the quilt) dimensions of the quilt and are priced based on the linear inch. We offer binding services ranging from machine attachment of the binding to the front of the quilt to complete attachment by machine or hand finishing. Please ask for a quote.

There is a \$75 minimum for quilting services.

RUSH service may be requested and will result in a 25% charge.

Quilt Drop-Off/Pick-Up

You may drop off your quilts any time during normal business hours. If you drop off your quilt during a time our long arm quilters are not available, our staff will do a preliminary “in-take” and provide you with a pricing estimate. Our quilter will contact you to review your services, pricing and scheduling.



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