



Birds of a Feather Quilt

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Class Skill Level: Advanced Beginner to Intermediate

Fear the flying geese no more! If you are tired of losing your points, this is the perfect class for you! Come learn two different ways to make this classic block!

This beautiful pattern comes together using 15 fat quarters, plus yardage for your background, inner border, and outer border (please check the pattern for exact fabric requirements). To make your design pop, choose small-to-medium prints or solids. You will also want a background fabric that contrasts well with your other colors so the pattern stands out.

Want to customize your look? Use a mix of low-volume prints for a scrappy background, or stick to a single fabric for a cohesive look. I used one consistent background for my geese and inner border, but the choice is entirely yours!

Class Supplies

- Birds of a Feather pattern by 4th and Main Designs
- ¼" foot made for your sewing machine
- Sewing Machine in good working condition (with the manual and accessories)
- 10½" square ruler, (final block size measures 10 ½" x 10 ½")
- Folded corner clipper ruler, CGRFCC
- Fine pins
- Spare machine Needles
- Snipping Scissors
- Neutral Thread and full bobbin(s)
- Seam ripper
- Acorn Precision and pressing solution with pen applicator (optional, I will demonstrate how to use in class for a crisp, flat seam)
- Rotary cutter and extra blade(s)
- Cutting mat, recommend a rotating mat but not mandatory
- Pressing mat
- Portable iron
- All fabric for the body of the quilt top, (excludes backing, batting and binding), please refer to pattern for fabric requirements



Fabric Selection

I chose a light colored batik for my background (geese) in the store sample. I chose batiks of different colors for my assorted prints. You will want to choose fabrics that have contrast between the feature blocks and background.

Preparation Prior to Class

Please review and refer to the cutting instructions on page 1 of the pattern prior to coming to class. Check the fabric requirements for the size quilt you intend to make. Please cut both feature and background pieces. It is very important to label each set of subcuts.

A Few Housekeeping Items

- There are class irons and ironing boards that you may use, however if you prefer to use your own, feel free to bring an iron and ironing surface. I highly recommend Best Press Spray.
- **Be sure you are familiar with your machine and have the means to sew an accurate 1/4 inch seam allowance. It is the key to accurate piecing!**
- Please park in front of Quilt Patch only when unloading or loading your car. Please move your car to the church parking lot prior to class.
- Quilt Patch Fabrics opens at 10:00 am. Please have your sewing machine and sewing station set up and ready to go by 10:30 am.
- All personal items (bags, purses, etc.) need to be stored under your table, not lining the walls. This is a safety issue, especially when we have a full class.
- You are welcome to bring your bagged lunch.
- All drinks must be in spill proof containers.

Please feel free to reach out to me at sheinmm@gmail.com or text me at 704 771-9883. Please include your name and the class you are enrolled in. I am so happy that you chose to take this class, and I look forward to seeing the beautiful quilts you will be creating!!!

See you soon,
Megan

Housekeeping Notes: Quilt Patch Fabrics offers a 15% discount on class supplies. Additionally, you get a 15% discount on your purchases on the day of the class (some exclusions apply). You are welcome to bring a bag lunch. Drinks should be in spill-proof containers. Please do not put water in the classroom irons. Please do not wear perfumes or scented lotions the day of class as many people are sensitive to strong scents. Thank you!