

Pins & Needles

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Don't Push Those Buttons!

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Supplies:

The base fabric is usually muslin, but can be any fabric. The base fabric will be completely covered and not visible when finished.

Cut several 8 ½" blocks from the base fabric and bring fabric for more blocks.

A wide variety of fabrics, colors, designs, and sizes. Cotton, but you can try other fabrics. Raid your stash. Have a focal point for the blocks. It can be a small embroidery, a fussy cut fabric, anything to build your block around. If doing embroidery, do it before class. Embroider small designs on random pieces of fabric to incorporate in blocks. This is optional.

Threads- regular sewing thread for seams, others for decorative stitches. **Different weights of threads**, including machine embroidery thread and hand embroidery thread.

Laces, trims, buttons, jewelry items, charms, appliqué pieces (if small enough to add to a block), beads, yarn, or thick thread to couch, anything that might be usable. Consider using a wire threader if you plan to use beads. I use the wire looper threader that came with my serger.

If you have leftover **Orphan** blocks or items that you don't know what to do with, **they can be cut up into sample pieces.**

Size 80 and/or size 90 universal or top stitch needles. A good opportunity to work with **twin needles** or **hem stitch wing needles.**

Approx ½ yard of tear-away stabilizer. Suggest scraps of stabilizer from embroidery projects. Can use cut away, but tear away is easier.

This class teaches the uninhibited, fun, and crazy quilt block process. You will go home with a few finished blocks, not a finished project. An optional class two will be provided for the table runner using blocks. We will discuss this in class.

Required Machine Accessories (not provided with borrowed machines):

All feet that came with the machine, especially ones you want to try or don't know what to do with

Before Class Instructions:

Gather all materials needed

General Supplies:

Machine with power cord and foot pedal

Sewing Thread

Pre-wound sewing bobbins

Empty sewing bobbins

Regular and fabric scissors

Wonder Clips/pins

Sewing Needles

Fabric Marker

Cutting Ruler

Machine Manual

Borrowed Machines: only the machine and foot pedal will be supplied. You must bring everything else needed for class.