# ENGLISH PAPER PIECING

(EPP)

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English Paper Piecing is a fun way to make complex patchwork projects and quilts by hand. If you love slow stitching and working by hand you will love EPP. In this workshop you will learn everything you need to know to create beautiful perfect projects. You will have your choice of two different patterns and we will make the block in class to use later as a pillow or tabletopper. Knowing all the tips and tricks you will be confident and excited to create more!!

## MATERIALS LIST English Paper Piecing Supplies

There are two blocks named "Annie" and "Beatrice" Choose one that you will make in class and then you can choose your fabric accordingly. The block pictures are only an example of color placement. Use your imagination and have fun.

## Fabric

Fabric pieces or scraps of colors and prints

Be sure to bring large enough pieces to ensure you have enough for each color and shape. (if in doubt-fat quarters will be more than enough for either block.

## Paper Templates

A set of templates will be provided for you. Please give me a text (971-302-0936) and let me know who you are and what block you have chosen to make. I will have a template set prepared for you. We will learn andtalk about making and/or buying templates for future projects.

Sewing Needles

This is sometimes a personal choice. I have suggested some needles that I like. I suggest a sharp needle with a fairly good sized eye.

Bohin Milliners Size 9

Clover Gold Eye Embroidery Needles 3-9

DMC Embroidery Needles

## Thimbles

I think thimbles are also a personal choice. Bring your favorite and if you don't have one I will share some of the different kinds that I use and like. We have several in the store to choose from also.

#### Thread

You will want to use a good sewing thread. I use Aurefill or any current good quality brand thread.

#### Pins

Some people are pinners and some are not. With EPP I suggest you use a nice straight pin. Now too heavy or long. I use applique pins. You can also use clips. I pin when I am sewing my pieces together. Helps to hold everything in place.

#### Scissors

I use a smaller scissor when I am doing EPP. You want them nice and sharp and I like a nice pointed tip.

### Glue

You will be learning several methods to secure you EPP pieces. One method is to hand baste and the other is using glue. If you are interested in gluing the store carries SEW LINE GLUE PENS (great product). You can also purchase a simple glue stick. Not as fine a line as the glue pens. They work well once you get your groove on. I like the Elmer's glue sticks. You can purchase them anywhere (Dollar Tree, Office Depot, Fred Meyer).

All Points Patchwork is a great book to learn everything you need to know about EPP. By Diane Gilleland (Optional).

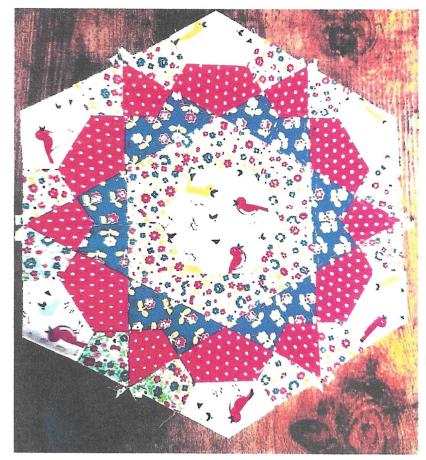
EPP has been <u>around for centuries</u> and is thought to have originated in Europe. It was popularized in the United States in the mid-1800s and became very popular during the 1930s and 1940s. It is so popular now and we have so many current designers doing EPP. You gotta love it. The great thing about EPP is that it is so easy to carry a project with you. You can take a small bag or stick it in your purse and piece whereever you go.

PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO GIVE ME A CALL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR IF I CAN BE OF ANY HELP OR ASSISTANCE.
971-302-0936

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

All the best,

Karen



Beatrice

