

Blue Hen Quilt Shop

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Handi Quilter Long Arm Rental Program

Before renting our Handi Quilter Amara you must take a training class. These classes are three hours long and one-on-one with Erin.

You will learn how to load a quilt, thread the machine, set tension, use a pantograph and free motion quilt. By the end of the class you should be able to complete your quilt with an all-over design.

Supplies for the Training Class

Quilt back - 2 yards*
Quilt Top - 2 yards*
Batting - 44" x 72" or a Twin size cut in half

Wear comfortable shoes!

*It is more convenient to use yardage rather than piecing fabric to make 2 yards. If you are piecing to get a full 44" x 72", please make sure it is square and pressed well.



Rental Program

The Amara is rented by the hour. The first hour is \$20. Every hour after that is \$15. Machine rental is by appointment only! A \$20 non-refundable deposit is required. The deposit will be applied to your rental fee. Morning and afternoon sessions, so if you expect to be here all day, you will need to reserve both the morning and the afternoon. Hours are prorated every 15 minutes. Please be on time for your rental reservation.

The rental fee includes thread. We offer basic range of colors. Please check in advance if you are worried about thread color to make sure we have what you need. If you are looking for a specialty thread, you will need to purchase it in advance. Blue Hen can help you with that!

After completing the Training class and before your first rental period, renters are required to purchase a Rental Start-Up Kit offered at a discounted price. This kit includes a bobbin case, bobbins and needles. You may choose to also purchase your own leaders to save set up time.

When renting machines, all renters are required to use their own bobbin case, bobbins, needles, rulers, stencils, scissors and any marking tools. All of these things are available for purchase from Blue Hen Quilt Shop.

Experienced Long Arm quilters may opt for a Certification class for \$35. Here you will need to demonstrate your knowledge of the Handi Quilter Amara and review our rental policies. These sessions are set up by appointment.