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Class Name: Intro to Free Motion Quilting

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Skill Level: Beginner

Class Description: This class is designed to give you a taste of how to Free Motion Quilt with your sewing machine. We will all learn how to set up our machines so that we can freely move a quilt sandwich under the needle. Then I will teach you a few simple free motion patterns that will allow you start quilting small projects so you can get those flimsies quilted!

Class Information

All supplies purchased for class at Cotton Gin receive a 15% discount

Supplies from Home:

- Sewing Machine (in good working condition) **whose feed dogs can be dropped or covered**
 - Free motion foot or darning foot. *The smaller the circle or U-shape the better – those big plastic circles are made for simple quilting on really fluffy batting, which is not what we'll be doing.*
 - Foot control and power cord
 - **Extension table for your machine.** *If you can't lay your hands flat on either side of the needle and have them supported on all sides, you will have a hard time free motion quilting.*
 - Bobbins
 - Size 80/12 and 90/14 Schmetz quilting (or embroidery, or topstitching) needles, *bring a few of each in case you have to change your needle*
 - Many 30, 40 or 50 wt threads whose colors contrast with each other, and both contrast with your practice fabric. (So if your practice fabric is white, black and red threads would be a good choice.) Bring more than one brand/type, not all threads work well for machine quilting.
 - Manual
- Standard sewing supplies
 - Pins and pin cushion
 - Scissors or thread snips
 - Quilting gloves (optional but helpful)
 - Supreme slider (optional but helpful)

Patterns and Supplies needed and can be purchased from Cotton Gin

(we strongly encourage you to purchase your supplies one week prior to arrival for class):

- **Name of Pattern:**
- **Fabric/ Other Supplies needed:**
- **Fabric**
 - (6) Quilting sandwiches that are at least 14-18" on a side, made from a layer of **cotton batting** sandwiched between 2 pieces of muslin or quilting weight fabric. This fabric should be a plain color or have a faint pattern. *It's ok to use scraps if you have them, but the easiest way to make these is to cut (2) ½*

yards of your muslin, lay an 18" x 44" piece of batting in between them and cut this big sandwich into thirds, resulting in (3) 14" x 18" sandwiches.