

## Weekly Newsletter

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### Good News!

#### Chinese Method For Growing Veggies Year-Round in Frigid Canada Really Works—And Has No Heating Costs



"A Chinese agronomist has helped Canadian greenhouse technology move forward, curiously by moving backward.

Dong Jianyi uses only materials and the laws of thermodynamics to grow cucumbers, peppers, lettuce, tomatoes, and more—even in the frigid Alberta winter—all without using a single watt.

A geologist who abandoned the oil industry due to crashing oil prices, Dong Jianyi's Fresh Pal Farms is believed to be the largest "passive greenhouse" in Canada.

Growing vegetables in China's cold north necessitates innovation, and passive greenhouses which don't use electricity are common in that part of the country.

Last year Dong grew 29,000 pounds of tomatoes alone last year while saving \$30,000 in energy and heating costs."

[Read the Full Article Here](#)

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## Announcements

# Largest Embroidery Space

The Beginning of a New Era

A **CONTINENTAL** GAME CHANGER

Expand your creative world!

**JANOME**



COMING SPRING 2022

## Featured Products

20% off [Coaster Ride Patterns and Refills](#) 1/27- 2/2



Create this custom silicone coaster set and fabric holder for storage. Silicone inserts protect surfaces against hot, cold and wet beverages. Four transparent silicone coaster pieces, instructions and template are included. Silicone is 100 percent food grade silicone and heat resistant up to 450 degrees. Refill coasters available.

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## What We Are Up To

**Lauren:** My finish was a Christmas present [using a free pattern from Sew4Home](#). A New York Yankees themed turtle named [Bronxie named after the live turtle who now serves as the Yankee's unofficial mascot](#), for my Yankee's loving guy.

**Sharon:** I finished another serged zippered bag (this one for a friend) and am working on finishing a sweatshirt jacket using reverse applique for the big medallion on the back. I'm also planning to teach the serged zippered bag this spring.

**Connie:** I found this super easy, really tasty [Fast Focaccia](#). I've made it 3 times already!

**Renee:** I've been experimenting with couching cord with my new beading feet. I'm excited to to use this technique as a garment embellishment. (We're looking forward to seeing her results!)



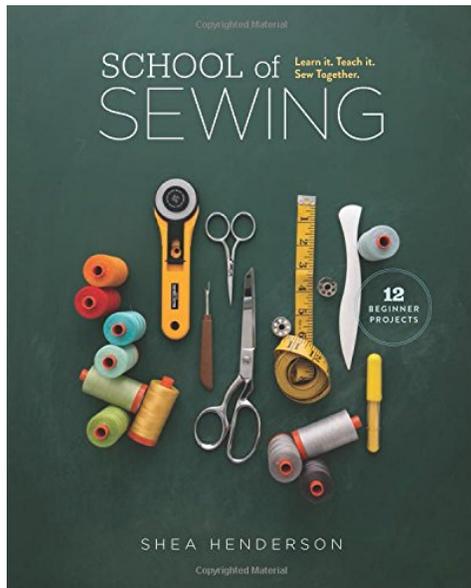


Now, we'd like to see what *you're* up to, and share it to help inspire others—whether it's a project, a great book you're reading, pictures from a recent vacation, or really great recipe.

Send photos by replying to this email, or sending directly to:  
[info@sewingcenterofsantafe.com](mailto:info@sewingcenterofsantafe.com)

## Classes

The following classes are starting the week of November 9th:



### Learn-to-Sew: Basics

Tuesday, February 8  
9:30am - 12:30pm

This one-session class will cover machine anatomy, threading, bobbin winding, how to sew basic stitches, and maintain your machine. We will also discuss essential tools and materials. Open to all makes and models of sewing machines. Ages 15 and up.

Class Fee: \$25  
Book: \$24

Skill Level: Beginner

### Petal Pop Flower Runner

Thursday, February 10 & 17  
9:30am - 12:30pm

The Petal Pop Flower Runner boasts dimensional detail with flowers on each end. This is a great project for all seasons. This table runner would look lovely as a sunflower, daisy, or even a poinsettia to name a few. They're so simple to cut and sew you'll want to make a whole garden of them!

Class Fee: \$48  
Pattern: \$14

Skill Level: Confident Beginner



## Inspiration



### Embellished Hot Pads

#### Featuring Ribbon + Decorative Stitch Accents

"Hot pads provide a great small surface to experiment with some embellishment. Obviously, since they will be around a heat source, you can't go wild, but subtle touches are a nice way to inject a little style into these kitchen necessities. We used ribbon and decorative stitching. Remember, natural fibers are best as you don't want to mix in any substrates that could easily melt. We selected linen and cotton for our fabrics and cotton twill tapes for the ribbon.

Your stitching will be seen from both the front and the back, so make sure you choose a stitch that looks "pretty" from both sides. We used a 9mm width on our Janome Skyline machine and looked for stitch options that were simple patterns we knew would stand out nicely against both the fabric and ribbon. We used a heavyweight thread to further emphasize the bold look."

[Get Instructions](#)

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## Safe Shopping at Sewing Center of Santa Fe

We remain diligent about keeping you and our staff healthy. Please stay home if you're not feeling well. Curbside service is always available.

**Proper fitting masks are a MUST!**

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Mon - Sat 10 - 4

Closed Sun