

Edge to Edge Quilting in the Embroidery Machine

HOMEWORK

Please come to class with a quilt top and quilt sandwich prepared and ready to stitch.

For the quilt top, solid or low volume fabrics are recommended so you can see the stitching. I suggest you use a thread color that contrasts with your quilt top, but it's not necessary.

Using three fabrics, cut out 3- 9.5" squares, of each color, for a total of 9 - 9.5" squares.

Piece them together, using 1/4" seams in three rows of three squares in any color combination you wish. Press seams in each row in opposite directions, and then sew rows together. Press with seams open. This should give you a finished top that is 27" x 27".

Your backing and batting should be 6" larger on all sides, so 39" x 39". Regular batting, like we sell in the store works fine. Baste your quilt sandwich together using either spray or glue method. I don't recommend that you pin baste, as it can interfere with the hooping.

Using an removable fabric marker (not air dry), measure and mark a center line vertically and horizontally.

Bring your basted quilt sandwich to class.

Other Supplies required:

1. Hoop: A Bernina Large Magnetic Hoop is strongly suggested. A Medium Clamp or Medium Border Clamp Hoop will also work well. The Bernina Oval Hoop or Medium Magnetic Hoop will work, however they will require significantly more hoopings. Using the smaller hoops will allow you to learn the process, though.
2. Isacord Thread to match, contrast or coordinate with your quilt top.
3. Two bobbins wound with Isacord thread to match, contrast or coordinate with your backing.
4. YOUR REGULAR BLACK BOBBIN CASE! ETE does not use the yellow bobbin case.
5. A removable marking pen or pencil of your choice

6. OESD Expert Embroidery Tape Wash-away or wash-away glue stick (I prefer the glue stick)
7. Scissors for snipping threads
8. Regular pen or marker (for marking your stabilizer)
9. Tape measure for measuring your fabric and hoop area
10. Small ruler for checking measurements in the hoop (most any size will work - 4" x 4" is large enough)