

The Bernina Connection Class Materials List

Elephant Abstractions

with Kelly Fillbrandt

Date: Three (3) Sundays
October 11 & 25,
and November 1, 2026

Time: 1 - 5pm

Tuition: \$105

Pattern: Violet Craft's Elephant Abstractions pattern

Bring to Class:

- ☐ Sewing machine in good working order with new needles, thread, power cord, foot control, & all of its accessories (or call the store in advance, 602.553.8350, to reserve one of ours to rent!)
- ☐ Violet Craft's Elephant Abstractions pattern
- ☐ Fabrics as detailed on the back page of the pattern package
- ☐ A good pair of scissors for cutting fabric
- ☐ A good pair of scissors for cutting paper
- ☐ Rotary cutter
- ☐ Small cutting mat (12x18)
- ☐ Wool ironing mat and travel iron – dry (no steam) – not necessary, but extremely helpful
- ☐ Fabric glue pen like Sewline
- ☐ 505 temporary glue stick
- ☐ Seam ripper
- ☐ Add-A-Quarter Plus ruler – 12" needed; 6" optional but very convenient
- ☐ Sharpie pen – any dark or bright color (not pastel)
- ☐ Paper surgical tape – if you can't find this, I can help you
- ☐ Thread – light gray is ideal, even if you are using a variety of colors; my favorite is Aurifil 2600
- ☐ Straight pins
- ☐ Quart-size and jumbo Ziplock bags
- ☐ Large smooth paper clips
- ☐ 11x17" copy paper, as lightweight as you can find (I used Staples 20 lb paper)

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- **Registration:** Class fees are due at registration. Kits must be purchased before class. One week's notice is required for refunds or store credit; visiting-teacher classes are non-refundable.
- **Age-specific classes:** To keep classes focused and comfortable for everyone, adult classes are for adults only. Kids' classes are for enrolled children only; parents or guardians may not attend.
- **Machines:** All sewing machine and serger brands are welcome except in BERNINA Machine Mastery classes. Loaner machines available in class for a \$15 rental with advance registration.
- **Classroom courtesy:** Please silence cell phones during class so everyone can focus and enjoy learning. Our classroom temperature may vary, so dressing in layers is recommended.
- **Supplies:** Please label personal tools (rulers, scissors, etc.) to avoid mix-ups.
- **Lunch:** You may bring your lunch (refrigerator available) or join a group order from a local restaurant at your expense.

By the Way: Please arrive early. It is important to have all your materials and your sewing machine set up before class begins. Our teachers make every effort to start on time and we want you to get full benefit of the class experience.

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Pre-class Preparation:

- ☐ If you haven't used your machine recently, we would like to suggest installing new needles and completing a brief test-sew on scrap fabric to be sure everything is running smoothly.
- ☐ Copy the entire pattern, going from two-sided printing to single-sided printing, onto lightweight 11x17" copy paper. If you do not have access to a printer that will accommodate this size paper, you may need to take it to a print shop like FedEx Office. Follow the detailed printing instructions inside the last page of the pattern package.
- ☐ Find the sections marked 1-17. (They will each have several pieces; for example, section 1 includes pieces 1A, 1B and 1C.) For those 17 sections, cut out each section about ¼" outside the dotted line (doesn't need to be exact). Do not subcut the individual pieces. Keep each section in its own labeled Ziploc bag.
- ☐ Gather all necessary fabric for the quilt top as described on the back of the pattern. You do NOT need to cut the fabric in advance. Be sure to have all your fabrics carefully and clearly labeled in accordance with the fabric key on the back of the pattern.

Pre-class knowledge:

- ☐ Intermediate Quilters and beyond are welcome
- ☐ Paper piecing experience helpful but not necessary