

The Bernina Connection Class Materials List

Paper Piece Stunning Stars with Kelly Fillbrandt

Date: **October 5, 2026**
 Monday

Time: 5 - 9pm

Tuition: \$45

Book: Carol Doak's book ***60 Fabulous Paper Pieced Stars*** available at Bernina Connection

Bring to Class:

- ☐ Sewing machine in good working order with manual, small screwdriver, cleaning implements, spare needles, power cord, foot control, & all of its accessories (or call in advance, 602-553-8350, to reserve one of ours to rent!)
- ☐ Carol Doak's book: *60 Fabulous Paper Pieced Stars*
- ☐ Fabric: If you're confident figuring out how much of each fabric you'll need, go ahead and cut according to the instructions in the book. If you find it puzzling, don't worry! We'll go over the math for it all and I'll even give you a cheat sheet so that you can follow it at home. You can wait and do the math in class. If you plan on making a few stars, just choose several coordinating fabrics, **at least 1/3 yard each (more if you plan to make a full size quilt).**
- ☐ Spool of thread (when using multiple colors, a neutral thread like light gray or cream is good) with a prepared bobbin
- ☐ Package of Foundation Piecing paper
- ☐ A good scissors for cutting fabric
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- ☐ Small cutting mat (12x18)
- ☐ Fabric glue pen such as Sewline
- ☐ Temporary glue stick such as 505 brand
- ☐ Add-A-Quarter Plus ruler – 12" needed; 6" not required but convenient [If you have an Add-A-Quarter Ruler (not "Plus") that will work, but save the printed directions!]
- ☐ Sharpie pen – any dark or bright color (not pastel)
- ☐ Note paper or small post-it for marking stacks of fabric
- ☐ 1 or 2 gallon Ziploc bags
- ☐ Large paper clips and either binder clips or small Ziploc bags

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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.

- ☐ Optional but very helpful
 - Felt ironing mat and travel iron – dry (no steam)
 - 3M Micropore surgical tape (1/2" width)
- ☐ Basic sewing kit/notions:
 - small scissors
 - rotary cutter
 - seam ripper
 - tweezers
 - straight pins

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.
- ☐ Using your Foundation Piecing paper, print four copies of the black and white pattern page and one color copy of the finished Montana star block page.
- ☐ If you're comfortable with the math and cutting instructions, cut the pieces described on the color page. We'll go over it in class, if you prefer to wait.
- ☐ Assemble some fun fabrics to use in class. We'll go over this too, so bring as much as you like, or pick it out once you're here.
- ☐ Note: you may have trouble printing directly from the book. My strategy is to remove the pattern from the book, make the necessary copies, and store patterns in a binder with clear pages.

Skill Level:

- ☐ Advanced Beginner Sewists and beyond are welcome