

Fundamentals of Quilt Making – a beginner's course

Dates: Thursdays: October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5 & 12

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$175.00

Instructor: Cherie T.

Basic building blocks for future quilt making – that's what you'll get in this 6-class course. Although absolute beginners to quilting are expected, those who have dabbled in quilting, but lack the fundamentals, may also benefit. Some sewing knowledge must precede this course. Familiarity with your sewing machine is essential! It's all done with straight stitching...nothing fancy is required from your sewing machine. Use the presser foot recommended in the manual for "piecing" or "straight sewing." If you have a foot designed for 1/4" seam allowance, bring that, along with the usual piecing foot.

The 6 classes will cover the fundamentals from understanding the grain to binding the finished quilt. The simple block components presented will equip you to make many basic and interesting quilts that include rail fence, 4-patch, 9-patch, half-square triangles and flying geese, among others. Some minimal homework will be assigned.

Class #1 requires 1/3 yard each of 3 coordinated fabrics (listed below). You will make a table topper with this fabric. After we discuss "Color, Value and Fabric Choices," you will select additional fabrics, plus batting and backing to complete the table topper and including fabric for the top of the sampler quilt shown – requiring about 3 yards of fabric. For the best result, use only 100% cotton quilting fabric. Home dec, outdoor fabric, polyester blends will not perform in the same way. Pre-washing the fabric is required for this class. Serge or zig-zag the cut edges first, and drop a color catcher or 2 (found in the laundry aisle of the supermarket) in the washer in case of color bleeding. Press the fabric after washing.

Expect a courtesy call from the teacher about a week before class begins, to address any questions and offer additional information.

Supply List:

- **Fabric**
 - 1/3 yard light color – prewashed
 - 1/3 yard medium color – prewashed
 - 1/3 yard dark color – prewashed
- **Notions & Tools**
 - Rotary cutter with extra blades – 45mm blade size is recommended
 - Self-Healing Cutting mat – at least 18" long (24" is better)
 - Long Cutting Ruler - at least 18" long (24" is better) & at least 4" wide
 - Sewing machine (recently cleaned), power cord, foot pedal & manual
 - Sewing scissors or snips
 - Pins, seam ripper, tape measure
 - Extra bobbins, machine needles and thread

- Iron and ironing surface
- Protective, cut resistant, glove for your “off” hand when cutting is required
- **Optional:**
 - 6 ½” square ruler with a 45° line marking
 - 6” or 6 ½” X 12” ruler

Pocono Sew and Vac offers all supplies needed to attend this class.

Class Cancellation Policy

To reserve a seat, all Pocono Sew & Vac classes must be paid in full upon registration. In the event that a student needs to cancel their reservation for a class, they should notify PS&V at least 7 days in advance (by [phone](#)) to be eligible for a full refund. Cancellations made less than 7 days before class will not be issued a refund.

If a class does not have the minimum number of participants 7 days prior to class day, the teacher will cancel class. The customer will be fully refunded within 7 to 10 business days. Any questions call PS&V at [800-442-8227](tel:800-442-8227).

Some classes require homework to be done before class, such as cutting/prepping fabrics. If homework is required, it will be posted in the class description. Please read the class description thoroughly before signing up before a class. If homework is not done by the start of class, you will not be able to attend, and a refund will not be issued. If you have any questions regarding class homework, please call the store and we will be happy to help.