

Baby Lock Sewing Accessories


Free-Motion Quilting Foot

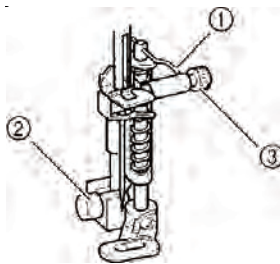
Instructions


The Free-Motion Foot can be used for stippling, meandering and thread painting. With free-motion quilting, the feed dogs can be lowered so that the fabric can be moved freely in any direction. The quilting foot is needed for free-motion quilting.

Attach the foot controller and sew using a consistent speed. In order to sew a balanced stitch, it may be necessary to lower the upper thread tension.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Select the straight stitch.
2. Remove the presser foot holder.
3. Align the quilting foot with the lower-left side of the presser bar. The pin on the quilting foot should be positioned over the needle clamp screw.
4. Hold the quilting foot in place with your right hand, and then tighten the presser foot holder screw using the screwdriver in your left hand.
 - (1) Pin on quilting foot
 - (2) Presser foot holder screw
 - (3) Needle clamp screw
5. Lower the feed dog position switch, located at the rear of the base of the machine, to .
6. Use both hands to stretch the fabric taut, and then move the fabric at a regular pace in order to sew uniform stitches roughly 2.0-2.5 mm (approx. 1/16 - 3/32 inch) in length.



7. After sewing is finished, raise the feed dog position switch to  to raise the feed dogs.

Stippling: Stippling is done with the needle in the center straight stitch position and the feed dogs lowered. To start, bring up the bobbin thread to the top of the fabric, sew a few stitches, and trim your thread. Run your Baby Lock machine at the fastest speed and move your fabric in a slow, fluid motion. Stippling simply means you do not cross over any of the stitches.

Meandering: Meandering is done following the directions above, except the stitches are crossed.

Thread Painting: Thread Painting is a fun technique and was an early form of computerized machine embroidery. To start, drop the feed dogs and fill in the design you are creating with either a straight or a zigzag stitch.

Threads and needles to use: A variety of threads may be used, such as The Finishing Touch™, Sulky™, variegated and metallics. The thread you choose will determine the needle you need. When using metallic or heavier threads, be sure to use a Metallica needle. This needle has a larger, longer eye than the typical needle which prevents the thread from fraying and shredding.



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