
Embroidery Essentials

15 Embroidery Techniques to Help You Master Your Embroidery Machine



Supply List

The following is a complete list of items used in this online course as well as how to go about selecting fabric and thread to complete the quilt and three small projects.

Fabric & Thread Suggestions

This mini quilt project can be made with as few as four fabric colors and as many as eight. 5-6 colors will give you to plenty of variety to select from as you move from technique to technique.

If selecting cotton fabrics, please choose fabrics from your local quilt store. The quality of these cotton fabrics makes a huge difference when embroidering heavy amounts of stitches. Lower quality fabrics will often fray or pull away from the embroidery leaving you with a block you may have to re-do.

Thread Color Suggestions

Start by selecting a matching color to each of the fabrics selected. Add 2-3 colors if necessary to give some pop of color as needed.

Not All Embroidery Thread is Created Equal

If the thread frays or breaks often while embroidering first change the needle. If this does not help and you know your machine has been recently serviced, it might be time to select a higher quality of thread. In our store we sell Isacord polyester and Robinson Anton polyester embroidery threads. Both offer the strength of polyester to keep up with the newer, faster running embroidery machines.

Embroidery Supplies & Yardage

- Embroidery machine and power cord
- Medium or large embroidery hoop
- Embroidery foot
- Thread to match each fabric
- White bobbin thread
- 1 roll of No-Show Mesh / Polymesh cutaway stabilizer
- Tear Away stabilizer
- Aqua Mesh stabilizer
- Embroidery needles 90/14
- Applique scissors (shaped like a duck bill)
- Small curved embroidery scissors – we highly recommend the Kia curved embroidery scissors
- 3 extra empty bobbins
- USB stick - if needed to transfer designs to machine
- Optional – straight stitch throat plate

Fabric & Batting:

- 5 to 8 fat quarters
- 1/2 yard of a background fabric
- Cotton batting – 1 yard
- 1 – 7" Zipper
- 2" of 1/2" wide ribbon for the zippered bag
- Quilt back – 3/4 yard
- Quilt border – 1/3 yard - optional
- Quilt binding – 1/4 yard

