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*Sew*

*A glimpse into the creative heart of today's  
most talented sewing & quilting artists.*

# *What Needle Do I Use?*



Rhonda casually reveals the new SCHMETZ combo packs.

What needle should I use? When sewing, quilting or crafting, it's a question many of us ask. I always like to say, with SCHMETZ you have options.

New SCHMETZ combo packs make needle selection easy. Eight needle assortments for different types of sewing. In this issue, find one page devoted to each new SCHMETZ pack paired with suggested fabrics.

When making your needle selection, ask a couple questions: What fabric is being sewn? What thread is being used? Does the sewing machine have an attitude? Maybe it doesn't like a certain thread or technique. The answers determine your needle choice.

Selecting the needle type & size seems like a small decision, but its impact can make a huge difference between frustration and sewing joyously without incident. Let's sew!  
Sew SCHMETZ & Grabbit® Too!

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## What Inspires YOU to Sew?



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*There's an App for That!*



# *What Needle Do I Use?*



Splash Fabric laminated cotton mask & apron.  
<https://splashfabric.com/>

**Laminated Cotton**

**Vinyl**

**Oilcloth**

**Cork**

**Fusibles/Stabilizers**

**Adhesives**

**Hook & Loop Tape**

**Pleather**



## Vinyl Needles

- **Description:** Super NonStick Needles for vinyl & adhesive backed fabrics. The nonstick surface reduces sticky needles when working with fusibles. Use for machine embroidery, machine applique and hoop & loop tape.
- **Needle Name & Sizes:** Super NonStick sizes 70/10, 80/12(2), 90/14, 100/16.
- **Needle Notes:**
  - Anti-adhesive coating(NIT), extra large eye, distinctive scarf and reinforced blade prevent skipped stitches and provides a residue-free needle.
  - Use when sewing with vinyl, laminated cotton, oilcloth, embroidery stabilizer, temporary spray adhesive, fusibles.
  - Use for machine embroidery, machine appliqué multi-media quilting.



Cooler Grocery Tote & Insulated Lunch Tote Pattern by Nancy Zieman Productions.  
<https://nz-productions-llc.myshopify.com/>

**Thermal Fabrics**

**Upholstery**

**Canvas**

**Jacquards**

**Denim**



## Upholstery & Home Décor Needles

- **Description:** Assorted needles for heavy duty projects. Skipped stitches reduced by Denim reinforced blade. Shredded & broken threads lessened by Topstitch elongated eye. Multiple project uses by Universal.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** **Jeans** 100/16, 110/18; **Topstitch** 100/16; **Universal** 100/16, 110/18.
- **Needle Notes:** Jeans- Reinforced blade; Topstitch, Elongated eye; Universal, the workhorse in large needle sizes.



So Sew English Fabrics

<https://sosewenglishfabrics.com/>

Nicolette Waffle Knit, Cappuccino/Red Leaf Silhouette Satin Knit, Navy/Mauve Thalia Crushed Velvet.

French Terry

Performance Swim

Ponte

Double Knit

Spandex/Lycra®

Sweater Knit

Jersey

ITY

Stretch Velvet

Slinky



## Knit & Stretch Needles

- **Description:** Jersey & Stretch needles have medium ball points. The eye & scarf differ. Use Jersey on knits & some stretch fabrics. Use Stretch on highly elastic knits. Jersey & Stretch needles are sometimes interchangeable. Test needle, thread, and fabric combo for stitch quality.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** Jersey 70/10, 80/12, 90/14; Stretch 75/11, 90/14.
- **Needle Notes:** When fabrics contain Lycra®, Spandex or elastic, use the Stretch needle. For regular knits, use the Jersey needle. Sometimes Stretch and Jersey needles are interchangeable, but not always. Test. Let stitch quality determine which needle type and size to use.



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# Bearclaw

Cuddle®

Faux Fur

Embrace®

Minky

Plush Fleece

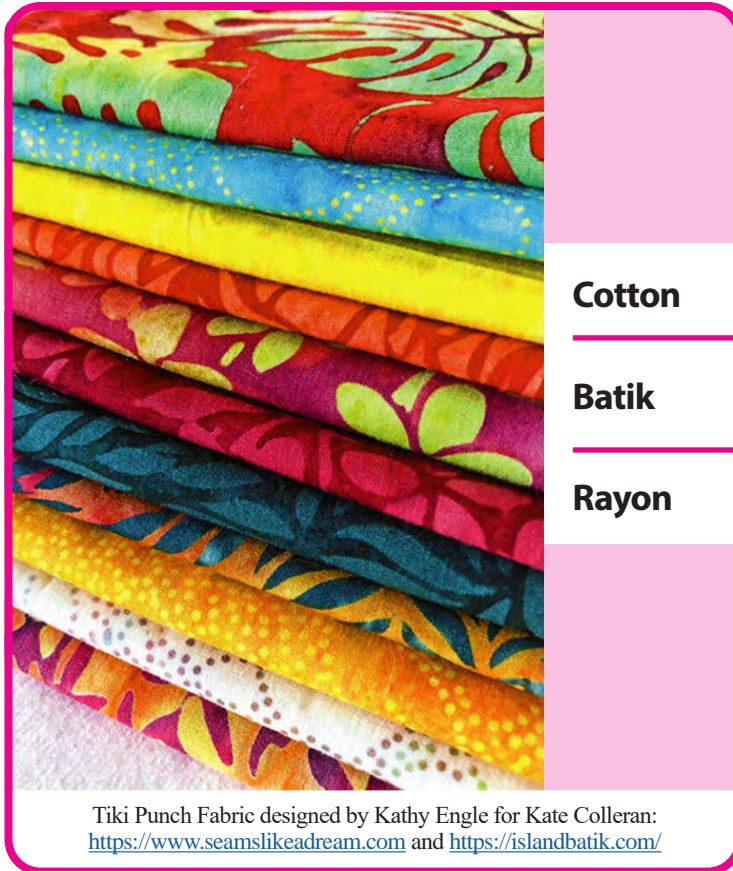
Polartec® Fleece

Free Shannon Fabrics pattern:  
[https://www.shannonfabrics.com/download\\_patterns/Hotcakes\\_BearClaw.pdf](https://www.shannonfabrics.com/download_patterns/Hotcakes_BearClaw.pdf)



## Fleece Needles

- **Description:** Stretch Needles for sewing on bulky, plush & highly stretchy fabrics. Needle has a medium ball point, specially designed eye & scarf to prevent skipped stitches.
- **Needle Name & Sizes:** **Stretch** 75/11 (2), 90/14 (3).
- **Needle Notes:** The medium ball point, specially designed eye and scarf prevent skipped stitches.



**Cotton**

**Batik**

**Rayon**

Tiki Punch Fabric designed by Kathy Engle for Kate Colleran:  
<https://www.seamslikeadream.com> and <https://islandbatik.com/>



## Piecing & Quilting Needles

- **Description:** Microtex (i.e, sharp) & Quilting Needles create precise & fewer skipped stitches when piecing & quilting cotton fabrics. Needle types differ in tapered point. Compare needle types for best results.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** **Quilting** 75/11, 90/14; **Microtex** 80/12 (2), 90/14.
- **Needle Notes:** Quilting has a special taper to the slightly rounded point. Microtex has a very slim acute point.





Felt

Burlap

Vinyl

Denim

Cotton

Polyester

Poorhouse Quilt Designs Holiday Baubles:  
<https://www.poorhousequilt designs.com/Products/Holiday-Baubles>



## Felt & Craft Needles

- **Description:** Three needle types for felt & multiple crafts. NonStick resists glue & sticky fusibles. Denim with reinforced blade performs on heavy sewing projects. Universal is a general purpose needle.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** **Super NonStick** 80/12; **Jeans** 90/14; **Universal** 70/10, 80/12, 90/14.



## SCHMETZ

9 NEEDLE COSTUME PACK  
 Set d'aiguille pour costumes  
 Juego de agujas para disfraces



## 9 Needle Costume Pack

- **Description:** Assorted needles for cottons & knits (Universal), Stretchy fabrics (Stretch) and Jeans (denim & heavy fabrics). Embellish with Twin needle.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** **Universal** 70/10, 80/12 (2), 90/14; **Universal Twin;** **Stretch** 75/11, 90/14; **Jeans** 90/14, 100/16.





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<https://sewingexpo.com/>

Cotton

Knits

Wovens

Vinyl

Pleather



## 10 Needle Costume Pack

- **Description:** Assorted needles for cottons & knits (Universal), Stretchy fabrics (Stretch) and Jeans (denim & heavy fabrics), vinyl & faux leather (Microtex). Embellish with Topstitch.
- **Needle Names & Sizes:** **Universal** 80/12 (2), 90/14; **Stretch** 75/11, 90/14; **Jeans** 90/14, 100/16; **Microtex** 70/10, 80/12; **Topstitch** 90/14.



# Needle Points with Rhonda



*With SCHMETZ,  
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Have Options!*

***Be Needle Ready.***



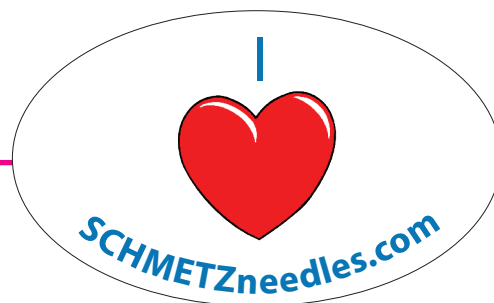
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*Needles don't last forever.*

*Change the needle!*

*Stitch quality improves &  
the sewing machine performs  
better with a new needle!*



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