

INTRO 1 TO FREE-MOTION MASTERY IN A MONTH (LINES, CURVES & CIRCLES)
MATERIALS LIST FOR STUDENTS

THIS IS A COMPLETE LIST. CHECK FOR A MATERIALS LIST WITH THE EVENT WHERE YOU ARE TAKING THE CLASS, AS SOME OF THESE ITEMS MIGHT BE PROVIDED IN A CLASS KIT. (A MATERIALS FEE MIGHT BE CHARGED IN ADDITION TO THE ENROLLMENT FEE.)

This class does not require that you have a copy of the Free-Motion Mastery in a Month book or the tool kit that goes with it. However, if you already have them, please bring them to class. They will also be available for purchase in class. Once you have experienced how easy it is to learn free-motion quilting using the Free-Motion Mastery in a Month system you will probably want the book and tool kit so you can use them to continue practicing your free-motion quilting skills at home. For a preview of how Free-Motion Mastery in a Month works, and to purchase books and tool kits, please visit

www.FreeMotionMasteryinaMonth.com or www.RaNaeMerrillQuilts.com

Sewing Machine

If you are bringing your own machine, this is the set up you will need. If machines are provided for you, you do not have to bring this. If you are not sure if machines will be provided, check with the venue (please do not call or email RaNae about this).

___ Sewing Machine

___ Bring the extension table or accessory box so you have the full sewing surface to work on.

___ Make sure your machine is cleaned, lubricated and working properly. Sew on it before you come to class to test it!
DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP -- IT IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL

___ Know how to drop the feed dogs

___ Know how to adjust the tension. If you have a computerized machine, find the tension adjustment control BEFORE YOU COME TO CLASS.

___ Bring the instruction manual (you can probably find it online if you can't find it at home).

___ Free-Motion Quilting Foot. If you do not know what this is or aren't sure if you have one, ask at your sewing machine shop BEFORE you come to class. Make sure it is the right foot for your machine and know how to attach it. Check the presser foot pressure -- you should be able to move fabric freely under the foot when the presser foot is down. DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP. IF YOU DON'T HAVE A FREE-MOTION QUILTING FOOT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO QUILT ON YOUR MACHINE.

___ 1 empty bobbin

___ Extra sewing machine needles, sizes 80/12 and 90/14. (Bring different types, for example Universal, Quilting, Topstitching, Microtex. If you are taking this class at a store, these will be available there.)

Tools You Will Need in Class

- ___ Thread snipping scissors
- ___ Pencil & paper for taking notes
- ___ Masking tape
- ___ Optional: Quilting gloves (if you already have them)
- ___ Free-Motion Mastery in a Month Master Trainer tool, domestic machine size or longarm size. (Check where you are taking the class to see if they are including this in the class materials, or providing loaners, or if you will need to buy it for the class.)

Fabric, Batting, Thread

(Check with the event to see if the fabric will be provided as part of the class materials, or if an optional fabric kit is available to purchase, or if you need to bring these items yourself.)

- ___ Solid Fabric: 1 block 12" x 12"
- ___ Large print fabric: 1 block 12" x 12"
- ___ Batting: 1 block 12" x 12"

(80/20 Cotton/Poly is best, should be a thicker batting, not "summer weight" Fusible batting is best. Hobbs Heirloom 80/20 Fusible is my preferred.)

___ Thread: 1 spool of 50 or 40 weight thread (200 yards is enough) Cotton or polyester that coordinates with the large print fabric and contrasts with the solid fabric (you should be able to see it clearly). (Variegated thread is a good option, but not required.) For example: King Tut (40-weight cotton), Fantastico (40-weight polyester variegated) or Magnifico (40-weight polyester solid). If you know that your sewing machine "likes" a particular type of thread best, bring that.

___ Binding Fabric: 2 strips WOF x 2-1/2" (you will not use this in class but will use it to complete the mug rugs)

The Class Project

In class we will quilt one 12" x 12" quilt sandwich as we explore three different shapes and patterns built from them. As part of your class materials you will receive instructions for cutting the blocks and making them into mug rugs. Of course, you can use the blocks for other things as well. There will be a demonstration at the end of class on how to join pre-quilted blocks "quilt as you go" style to make larger projects; these instructions can also be found in the book.

