

Build Your Quilting Confidence on Your Home Sewing Machine



Gina Perkes

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Join Gina Perkes for an inspiring and hands-on quilting session that demystifies the art of quilting! Gina believes that "the quilting makes the quilt" and is passionate about helping you overcome any hesitation you may have about quilting your own quilts on your own sewing machine. Throughout this engaging session, you'll learn her process for planning quilting designs tailored to your quilt tops. With Gina's help, you'll dive into ruler quilting and various freemotion techniques, gaining confidence and skill in no time. As you work through the techniques, Gina will share her years of experience to provide personalized support, ensuring you feel empowered every step of the way. Plus, you'll discover her innovative quilt-as-you-go technique, allowing you to quilt smaller pieces and then seamlessly join them together for a polished finish. Prepare to leave with newfound knowledge, improved skills, and the confidence to take on any quilting project!

No Kit Available

Required Supplies

- (15) quilt sandwiches for practice- approximately- 15" x 15" (Sandwiches - Solid colored fabric on top/ any desired fabric on back with cotton batting in the middle)
- Sketchpad
- Pencil/pen for sketching



seam

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- Quilter's Select Purple self-erase marker
- Nylon Monofilament thread- clear
- YLI Precision 60 wt. polyester thread #203 Ivory – 3,000 yd. cone (for bobbin and top)
- Topstitch needles size 80/12
- Machine quilting gloves
- Odif – 505 spray
- Odif- Grippy spray
- (2) yds. 96" wide cotton batting
- (2) yds. 90" wide muslin (for backing)
- Thread snips
- Fabric scissors/ paper scissors
- Pins
- Marking ruler- approximately 3" x 12" (can be rotary cutting or drafting ruler)
- Machine Quilting Rulers-
 - Machine quilting rulers will be available to use in class. You will not be expected to buy the rulers that you use but will have the option to purchase if desired.
- Quilt top will be a custom printed panel which can be purchased in class

Sewing Machine - Required

Bring your machine or sewing machines are available for rent at \$99 for the week, including two empty bobbins to get you started. Please note that rented machines must stay in the classrooms, and friendly on-site support will be available to assist you. Be sure to reserve your machine when you register, and no later than 60 days before the event. If you did not reserve a machine during registration but wish to do so, please contact a Registration Coordinator at 270-898-7903 by July 31, 2025.

No pre-cutting Required

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