

Big Stitch Hand Quilting Student Supply List

Note: The format of the class will be instruction time first, then a break to purchase any needed supplies. After breaking, we will come back together to practice stitching. This way if you aren't quite sure which thimble, needle, or batting, etc. to purchase, you can learn about the different options and ask any necessary questions. Below is the list of supplies we will be using. Feel free to bring whatever you have and wait until the class break to purchase additional supplies if necessary, or you may purchase your supplies ahead of time.

Thread options:

- 12 weight Aurifil
- 8 or 12 weight Perle Cotton (I prefer 8 weight)
- Embroidery thread is also an option, but it doesn't wear well in a quilt.

Needle options (do not purchase DMC brand Embroidery needles as they are best used for embroidery and not for Big Stitch quilting):

- Embroidery Needles (typically sold in a pack of multiple sizes). The Richard Hemming brand is my favorite):
 - Size 5, recommended for 8 wt thread
 - Size 3, recommended for 12 wt thread
- Chenille size 22 or 24

Dritz LoRan Needle Puller (comes in a set of two and looks like a thimble)

Thimble

Marking tool options:

- Hera marker and acrylic ruler
- Blue painters tape
- Clover Chaco Liner
- Removable marking pencil or chalk

Small scissors to snip thread

14" or 18" Quilters Hoop (Note: some students prefer stitching **without** a hoop, so feel to wait until after class discussion to make a decision about purchasing one.)

Basting supplies:

- Small safety pins, or
- Hand sewing needle and regular thread for basting

Quilt sandwich:

- 2 - 22" squares of solid fabric, or choose a large-scale floral print for one of your fabrics.
- 22" square of batting: Batting squares will be available for cash purchase the day of class. Warm and Natural does not needle easily and is not recommended for hand quilting. If you would like to bring your own batting, any of the following battings needle easily and are ideal choices:
 - Quilter's Dream 100% Cotton Request Loft (thinnest loft)
 - Mountain Mist Cream Rose 100% cotton
 - Quilter's Dream Wool
 - Hobbs Wool

Any questions?? Feel free to e-mail or call me. Looking forward to stitching with you!

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