

Your First Quilt Workshop

Lesson List

Your First Quilt Workshop By Maria Hrabovskiy

Whether you are a first-time quilter or just need a refresher course on the basics, Maria Hrabovskiy's *Your First Quilt Workshop* is the place you want to be. No previous quilting experience is needed, but you do need to know how to use your sewing machine.

Maria guides you step-by-step through the process of making your quilt and includes a wealth of tips and guidelines to get you started. When you complete the workshop, you will have completed a quilt in the size of your choice.

You'll want to keep these lessons handy as a helpful reference whether you are a beginning or experienced quilter.

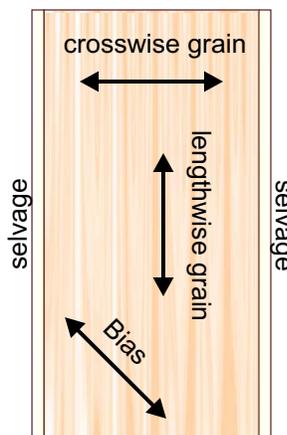
January 2016 – Lesson 1

- The basic tools needed for quilting and why they are needed
- The best fabric to select for a quilt
- Metric conversion charts



February 2016 – Lesson 2

- How to calculate the yardage required for borders
- Tips for choosing border and backing fabrics
- The importance of fabric grains in quilting
- Pros and cons of prewashing fabric



March 2016 – Lesson 3

- Using a rotary cutter
- Quilting rules to follow
- How to sew a perfect quilting seam
- The importance of pressing seams
- How to square fabric before cutting
- Adding borders to the quilt
- Preparing the backing and batting



April 2016 – Lesson 4

- The quilt sandwich - Using table, floor, or design wall
- Pin basting
- Choosing quilting thread and needles
- Preparing the sewing machine
- Proper hand coverage for quilting
- Testing quilt stitches



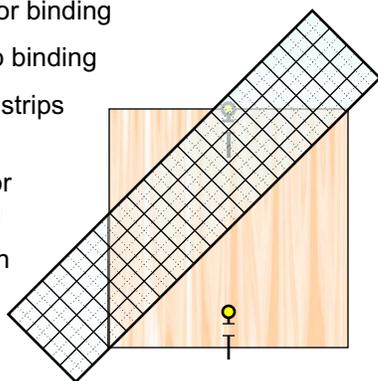
May 2016 – Lesson 5

- Learning to machine quilt
- Machine quilting rules to follow
- Managing the bulk of the quilt in the machine
- Starting and ending machine-quilted lines
- Hand placement for machine quilting
- Straight line quilting
- Stitching in the ditch
- Decorative machine quilting



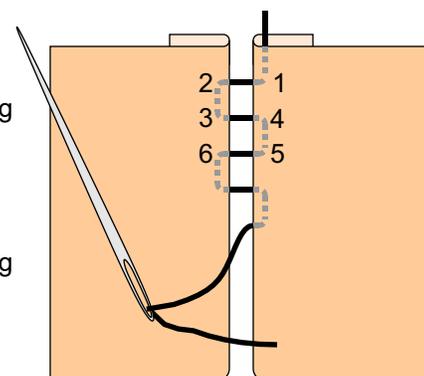
June 2016 – Lesson 6

- Preparing the quilt for binding
- Benefits of bias strip binding
- Using straight grain strips in binding
- Benefits of French or Double Fold binding
- Calculating the width needed for binding strips
- Calculating the binding length needed
- Calculating the size fabric square needed for bias strip binding
- Making the quilt binding
- Squaring the quilt
- Making a hanging sleeve



July 2016 – Lesson 7

- Guidelines for adding binding
- Properly turning the corners
- Joining the binding strips
- Mitering binding corners
- Securing the binding to the back of the quilt
- Stitching the binding down
- Finishing the hanging sleeve
- Creating a quilt label
- Laundering the quilt
- Storing the quilt



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