

SUPPLY LIST

Beginning Machine Quilting with a Walking Foot

Shirley Sandoz 4 hour class

1. **Sewing machine with walking foot.** If your sewing machine has built-in differential feed, you do not need a walking foot. If you do not own a walking foot and plan to purchase one, be sure to purchase an “open-toed” walking foot. The photos below show the two different sole plates and what another brand of open-toed foot looks like mounted in the machine. See how much better your visibility is with the open-toed foot.



2. If you have a **seam guide** for your walking foot, bring it with you (the seam guide is that skinny sort of L shaped piece you probably have in your presser feet supplies; ask at the shop if you are unsure). If you don't have a seam guide, it's OK; don't go out and buy one.

3. If you have an **extension table** for your machine, bring it. Again, don't buy one for the class.

4. Also bring your machine's **manual**. If you don't have it, you may be able to find one at the manufacturer's website that you can download and print.

5. **Needles.** Regular universal machine needles size 70 or 80 are fine. There are also special quilting needles that help penetrate the quilt layers. Use a new needle and bring a few spares to class

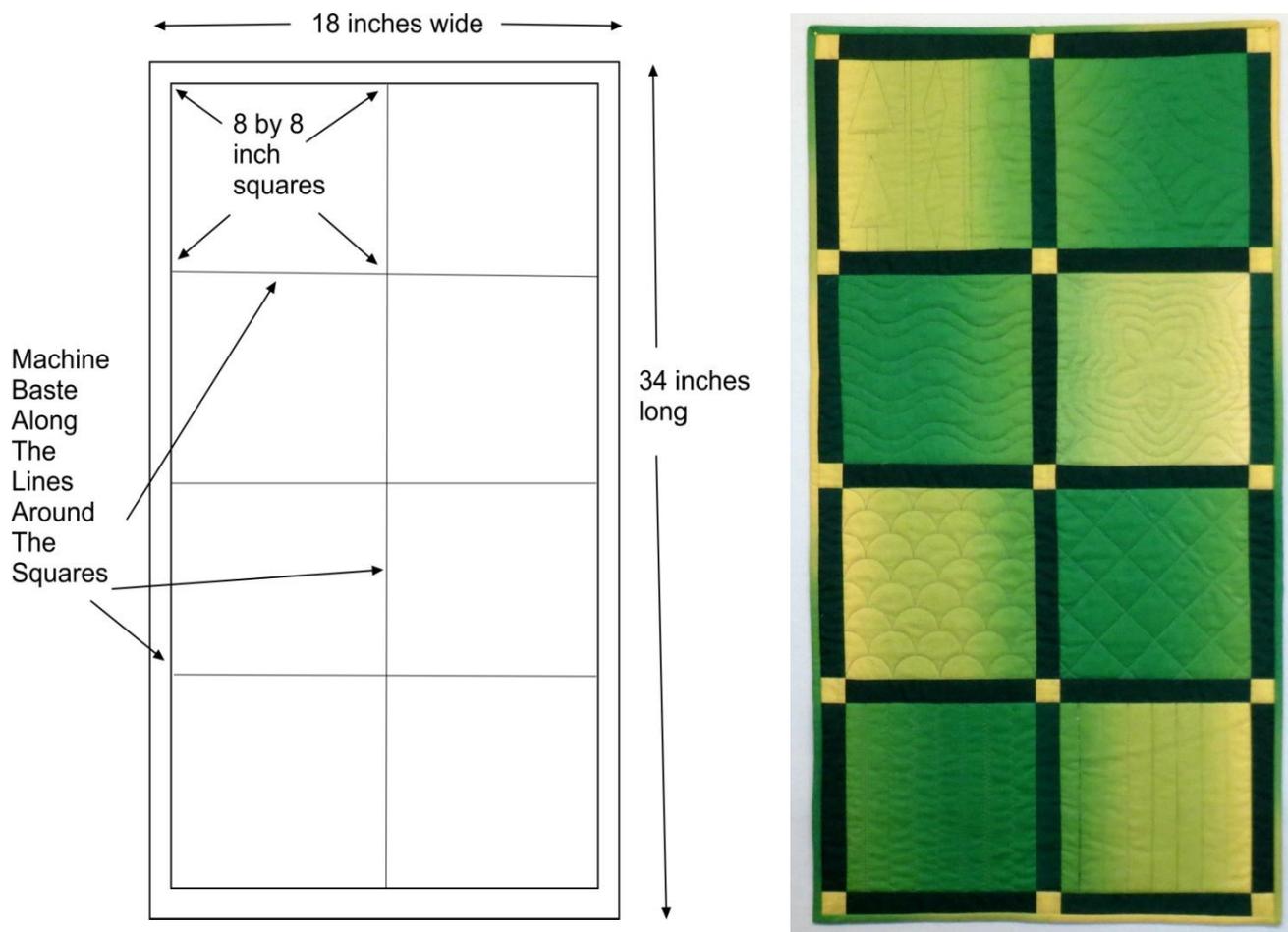
6. **Basic hand sewing supplies** – scissors, pins, etc.

7. **Water soluble or iron away (Frixion) marker and a ruler** at least 12 inches long for marking lines on your fabric.

8. Fabric: You will make a **sampler sandwich** and a “**practice**” **sandwich** for testing your stitches.

The **practice sandwich** should be about the size of a fat quarter, made from any light colored fabrics you already own and using a **low loft batting** (cotton or polyester, content doesn't matter). Pin together with safety pins or machine baste down the middle in both directions and around the edges.

The **Sampler Sandwich** is made from two pieces of a good quality light colored fabric approximately 18 by 34 inches in size; larger is OK if you prefer. Mark one of the pieces into a grid of eight 8 inch squares as shown below. After you have finished marking the grid, sandwich the marked piece with a low loft batting and the other 18 by 34 inch piece of fabric. Pin the three layers together and sew along the marked lines. Remove the pins.



You will be completing different machine quilting patterns in each square. The final result will look something like my shop sample shown on the right, but without the sashing.

9. Thread. Regular sewing thread slightly darker than your fabric. Here is an example of good contrast for class purposes. You can use darker thread if you wish – darker thread shows every little mistake.

