



Serger Savvy Class - Creating Decorative Stitches with Your Serger

Date: Friday, March 8th, 2024
Time: Doors open at 9:00am – Class is from 9:30-4:00pm
Cost: \$45.00

In this class we will offer a deeper dive into creating decorative stitches with your serger to really experiment and explore your creativity. Many techniques will be discussed including thread blending and stitch stacking using a new tool that allows you to load as many thread spools onto your serger as your loopers will allow. In addition, we will talk in more depth about threads to use and weights to get the looks you want. We will make several samples to audition threads and try out new techniques. You will walk away with stitch set-up instructions and samples for future reference.

Machine:

To get the most out of this class we recommend a combination serger that offers both coverstitching and overlock stitching (BERNINA L890). You are also welcome to bring two machines with you if you like, if you do not have a combination machine. If you do not have a machine that has coverstitching, we will have a machine available in class to use as time permits.

Please Note: We have much experience with BERNINA sergers and can assist you as needed. While we welcome other brands in this class, we do not have as much experience with them, but we will do our best to assist you. Please know how to thread your machine and bring your manual for reference, if needed.

Materials Needed:

- 6 – 7 - 12 Wt. threads that work well together in terms of color
- 2 – 3 – 8 Wt. threads that work well with your other thread
- 3 – Serger cone threads that blend – you can also use embroidery thread in your needles. Works great and many more colors are available.
- 1 – Metallic Thread, if you have one or a variegated thread. Any weight will do that you bring
- 3 – 90/14 Topstitch Needles – be sure they are correct for your serger

- 10 – 10”X10” squares of material - use your stash, they do not need to be cut from the same material. Please add SF101 interfacing to 5 of your squares.
- 1 – piece of material cut in a circle – 8 – 10” circle – please interface with SF101 as well.
- Marking Pen or Chalk
- Ruler/Rotary Cutter/Small Cutting Mat
- Small Iron and Ironing Mat
- Scissors
- Seam Ripper
- Fray Check
- Ribbon – width is up to you – I recommend a 1/8” (3mm) width and another up to no bigger than 9mm. We will weave these into a flatlock stitch.
- Double headed needle to weave ribbon.
- Clear Foot
- Curve Foot

Thread Fusion – Thread Stand

- I will be demonstrating the new Thread Fusion thread stand from Gail Yellen at www.gailpatrice.com. This tool allows you to load as many threads onto the stand of your machine as your loopers will tolerate. It really helps them unthread directly under your thread stand beautifully. This tool is sold directly through the link below if you would like to purchase one. This is entirely up to you. I find that it works well, and I love it.
- There are two sizes, the Universal Size works well.
- <https://www.gailpatrice.com/product-page/thread-fusion>

