

FABULOUS FEATHERS Supply List:- Jo Ann Cooper

Sewing Machine in Good Working Order

(Before class you must know how to attach your free-motion (darning) foot, how to lower the feed dogs or cover them, and how to adjust thread tension.)

Don't forget your machine's power cord and foot control!

Accessories: A darning foot (also called a free motion or freemotion embroidery foot)

Some kind of surround or slide on table that allows extra working space around the needle. (You need space to have your hands flat on each side of the needle and be able to move them around a bit)

If your machine came with a small screw driver for adjusting bobbin tension, bring it with you.

- 2 yards of plain inexpensive muslin for practice
- 1 craft size cotton batting (weight does not matter)
(SEE SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS BELOW ON PREPARING PRACTICE SANDWICHES)
- Thread in a solid color that does not match the muslin, but also does not have extreme contrast. Any medium tone works well, something you can see against the muslin, but not too dark. 40 or 50 weight cotton or polyester threads are fine for practice.
- TWO bobbins wound with the same thread you plan on using for the top thread.
- Machine needles:
Topstitch size 80/12. 90/14 is okay if you can't find 80/12.
- Safety pins for basting your practice samples.
- A scribble pad at least 9 X 12 (available in the grocery store) and a pencil.
- Basic sewing items such as thread snips, scissors, extra machine needles, bobbins, and so on.

BEFORE CLASS:

Press your muslin well. Spray starch also helps. Cut or tear the muslin into 8 fat quarters (18 X 22). Cut the craft size batting into 4 equal pieces. For practice, it doesn't matter if the batting and and muslin are not exactly the same size. Layer the pieces as follows: muslin on the bottom, one piece of batting, and muslin on the top. Pin with safety pins at each corner.