

Textile Center Supply List

Specialty Threads

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Please bring with you to class:

Note: There is a \$20 fee for class supplies, payable directly to instructor. Cash preferred. Check OK. \$22 if paid by credit card.

1. As part of the class supplies fee, a collection of 130/705H (15X1H) system needles in a variety of types and sizes and the use of many different specialty threads. Please bring a variety of the fabrics and any specific specialty threads you may want to try working with.
2. Sewing machine in good working order (straight or zig zag) NOTE: Not all hook systems work well with a variety of specialty threads. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.
3. Sewing machine accessories:
 - a. The operating manual for your machine.
 - b. Tool for adjusting bobbin tension – most machines use a small screwdriver. Make certain it is the correct size if not original to your machine. If you don't have one, I will have them available for sale.
 - c. Lint brush. I typically have a few styles available for sale.
 - d. Lubricant for hook/shuttle, if required for your machine. I will have quality hook oil in a well-designed dispenser for sale.
 - e. If your machine has one, the single needle straight-stitch plate.
 - f. Straight-stitch (optional) and standard zig-zag foot. If you are familiar with free-motion stitching, feel free to bring the appropriate foot – if not, consider taking the Free-Motion Stitching class.
 - g. If needed or desired, cams for zig-zag stitch patterns.
 - h. Don't forget the cords and foot control!!! (You'd be surprised at how often this happens.)
4. Light colored terry cloth hand towel (to keep those tiny screws from bouncing across the room should they fall out while adjusting your bobbin tension)
5. A few bobbins pre-filled with different colors of common sewing thread. Colors are not necessarily critical, but I suggest white, dark gray, medium gray, red, and yellow/gold.
6. Several squares (8-12) of cotton muslin or other medium weight/gauge cloth. Approximate size 6" X 6" minimum or larger. Bring extra fabric scraps of other materials to use and trade with others for a variety of test samples.

7. Thread clip/scissors (not your best however, as they will be used for cutting specialty threads, including metallic).
8. Fabric scissors.
9. Paper and pencil for note taking and tracking your tension adjustments.
10. If you need eyeglasses, don't forget to bring them!!
11. Lastly, bring a desire to learn new skills, a positive "can-do" attitude, and a sense of humor!

Optional:

Additional specialty threads and scraps of challenging fabrics, with appropriate type and size needles.

Please try to arrive a few minutes early to set up your workstation. The studio will be open 10-15 minutes before the start of class. The sooner we can get started, the more time you will have to practice!!

If you have any questions prior to the class, you may contact the instructor at Steve@bobbindoctor.com.

There will be time reserved at the end of class for clean-up. Please help this process go quickly by assisting the instructor.

Parking is available in the lot directly behind our building, as well as our newly purchased lot at 3018 University Ave SE. Look for the green signs.