

SUPPLY LIST for QUILTED POSTCARD class

Sewing machine that does a zigzag stitch (satin stitching). Note: sewing machine should be in good running order...tension balanced, oiled recently if needed, needle changed in the last eight hours of sewing time, etc.

PLEASE KNOW how to adjust the width and length of satin stitching on your machine prior to bringing it to class (this is the most frequent problem in my classes). You will enjoy class more, and have a better postcard, if you're able to figure this out ahead of time. If you are unfamiliar with how to adjust the width and length of the satin stitch, please bring your machine's instruction manual (or try to download a manual online). Bonnie does not know how to adjust your machine. If you are bringing a featherweight or similar "straight-stitch only" machine, Bonnie does have a fusible technique for finishing the edges of your postcard.

If you have a **free-motion or darning foot** for your machine, bring that along (for when you outline quilt or free-motion quilt). (If you don't have a darning foot, bring whatever attachments you have).

extension cord if you have one

thread – black cotton or cotton/polyester (for satin stitching the edges of the postcard)

thread – white, one bobbin full, plus a back-up spool or second bobbin of white cotton thread

thread – bring a few favorite colors; Bonnie also brings some threads along to share.

The delicate shiny threads (rayon, silk, etc) are nice for embellishing. Cottons or cotton/poly are best for building up the satin stitch on the edges of a postcard.

Small sharp scissors for fussy cutting

normal supplies...scissors, a few pins, a needle for hand-sewing

rotary cutter and – if you have a personal-sized cutting mat, please bring it along

bring along at least one **spare sewing-machine needle**

If you have a **teflon pressing sheet** for using fusible web, please bring it (you may want to write your name on it). Bonnie brings several to share.

If you have a copy of the book, **Positively Postcards**, please bring it! Purchase of book and/or kit(s) is **not** required for this class. Books will be available for purchase if desired (\$24.95) --> 30% off on day of class (\$17.50)!!

Purchase of a Postcard Kit, and Innards Kit, is **NOT** required for class:

~ Innards kits are **\$4** per kit (makes the inside and back of one postcard): includes one 4" x 6" piece of Peltex 72 (stiffener, fusible on both sides), two 4" x 6" pieces of Stitchwitchery (fusible), two layers of Warm & Natural batting, and two pieces of white cotton fabric for the message side, one of which is rubber stamped "Post Card." It's everything you need for the inside and back of your postcard.

PLUS:

~ Bonnie will also bring along some kits for the front of a postcard —you can see some of them at www.quilted-postcards.com. Most kits include some embellishments and/or coordinated ribbon for trimming the edges. (Postcard kits are **\$4 to \$8**)

A checklist for designing and assembling quilted postcards will be provided during the class.

This class is for all levels of skill – there is something for everyone. I taught 4H sewing for eleven years so I'm also happy to have teens in the class. Postcards are a good time to practice new techniques. Maya Angelou says: You can't use up creativity – the more you use, the more you have! Everything we do adds tools to our personal toolbox for future creativity.

Please feel free to email or call the instructor with any questions, before or after class.

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