



Holiday Cheer Mini Quilt Workshop

Class Description

Join us for a joyful quilting adventure with the charming mini quilt that started it all—Piece O' Cake's very first pattern! This delightful design has truly stood the test of time and continues to warm hearts and homes.

Perfectly petite and bursting with holiday spirit, this quilt is a quick and satisfying project for stitchers of all levels. Whether you're looking to brighten up your own décor or create a heartfelt handmade gift, this class is the perfect way to add a little cheer to your season.

We'll guide you step by step as you stitch up this merry masterpiece, share holiday inspiration, and sprinkle in plenty of laughter and good cheer along the way. Come sew with us and make something special this season!

Class Length

Plan a class that works to the strengths of your teachers and appeals to your customer base.

The length of the class will depend on what kind of appliqué you are teaching. Hand appliqué takes more time than fusible appliqué. If you fuse, will you teach hand or machine edge-finishing techniques?

I recommend that you schedule at least 6 hours for this 12" block that has many small shapes.

Pages referred to below are from The Best-Ever Appliqué Sampler.

Class Supply List

Finished Size: 18" x 18"

Fabric

- Background fabric: 14" x 14" square
- Appliqué fabric: A variety of large scraps.
- Inner border: 1/8 yard
 - Cut 2 strips 1 ½" x 12 ½"
 - Cut 2 strips 1 ½" x 14 ½"
- Border squares: Cut 32 squares 2 ½" x 2 ½"
- Straight Binding: 1/4 yard
- Backing and sleeve: 2/3 yard
- Batting: 24" x 24"

Notions

- Quilt Builder Card Deck Appliqué Christmas Set by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins
- Optional book: The Best-Ever Appliqué Sampler by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins
- Sharpie Ultra Fine Point marker in black
- Quilter's Vinyl to make the placement overlay: 12" x 12" square
- Small paper scissors
- Small and medium fabric scissors

Additional Supplies for Hand Appliqué

- Template making supplies: extra copies and peel-and-stick laminate (page 17) or method of your choice
- General's Charcoal pencil in white for medium-to-dark fabrics or a Sewline or similar 9mm mechanical pencil in white.
- A firm graphite pencil for light fabrics.
- Needles for Invisible Appliqué: I use Clover's #12 Black-Gold Appliqué needle, Tulip's #11 Appliqué needle, and/or Clover's #12 Gold-Eye Appliqué needle.
- Appliqué pins: I recommend Little House Appliqué pins, Clover's 3/4" pins, Karen K Buckley's Shorter Perfect Pins, and/or Bohin's 1/2" sequin pins.
- Fine, strong 100% cotton thread. I recommend Superior's 50wt, 2-ply Masterpiece thread that comes in sets on pre-wound bobbins and/or Wonderfil's 60wt Efinia.
- A sandpaper board or a sheet of fine-grain sandpaper
- A few round, wooden toothpicks
- Resealable bags for your templates
- Optional: a pillow or lap desk to rest your forearms on as you sew. I have been using the Quilter's Select Press & Cut Mat as a lap desk. You can place your sandboard or Lap App on top of it.

Additional Supplies for Fusible Appliqué

- Wonder Fuse by Clover for fusible appliqué
- Teflon sheet: I use the Big Goddess pressing sheet
- Sewing machine and appropriate thread if teaching machine appliqué

Classroom Preparation

Each student will need space to work, including a chair, good light, and access to an iron and an ironing surface.

Class Agenda

Look over the supplies and notions and construct a kit of those items that make sense for your class. Pages referred to are from The Best-Ever Appliqué Sampler.

- Before class, follow the instructions on **Card 16** of the Quilt Builder Card Deck Appliqué Christmas Set (pictured below) and enlarge the block to make a 12" x 12" pattern for each student.
- Make positioning overlay (page 21)
- Make templates or trace shapes onto fusible web
- Teach the appliqué method of your choice.
- Once the appliqué is complete, press and then trim the block to 14 ½" x 14 ½".
- Sew on the side sashing. Press. Sew on the top and bottom sashing. Press.
- Sew squares together to make the outer borders and sew them to the quilt.
- Layer, baste, quilt, bind.
- Add a sleeve and documentation patch.

IMPORTANT NOTE: These class plans are available as free downloads on the C&T website. Please do NOT provide detailed instructions for the actual project(s) or technique(s) here—doing so will detract from your book sales.

