

Sketching with Thread - Flowers Along the Way

Workshop

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Workshop Description: Sketching with thread is just way too much fun!! It's as simple as following a preprinted color coded design with a straight stitch – how easy is that? You, too, can let the artist within shine! So grab your thread and come join me for a bit of information and how to become the master of the straight stitch.

Sketching Thread – 40 weight rayon or polyester

- Fence – charcoal, medium brown, medium taupe
- Barbwire – dark gray
- Fence grass – Dark, medium and light green (all in the same color family)
- Flower dirt – medium brown, medium taupe, light rust **OR** variegated brown
- Flower leaves – dark blue/green
- Flowers – bright yellow, dark orchid
- Bring additional rayon or polyester threads in greens, browns, rust, orchid and yellow in your stash
- Pre-wind (1) bobbin with gray bobbin fill

Notions

- 6" wooden or plastic machine embroidery hoop (*available for sale in workshop*)
- Basic sewing supplies – scissors, 80/12 machine needles, tweezers, etc.
- Sewing machine
 - *Please know how your machine works and make sure it is in good working order before class. For thread painting you will need to know how to drop the feed dogs, how to adjust your machine for free-motion machine embroidery, how to change the upper tension and know where to change the width on the zigzag stitch. If you are unsure of these machine adjustments, please check with your machine dealer before class. A solid sewing platform is recommended. You will need a zigzag throat plate. Thanks for checking this out before class.*
- **Open** toe free motion foot such as #24 for Bernina or a stippling open toe foot for Viking. It is important to see what you are stitching and where the next stitches are going so select the best foot you can for visibility. Visibility on machines with a clear oval plastic foot is practically zero. Cutting away between the two red lines on this type foot works on most machines. Check with your machine dealer for optional free motion feet.
- Embroidery or extra bobbin case (only if you have one)

Fabric & Stabilizer Kit Supplied at Workshop for – **\$10.00** – *kit includes the following*

- One piece 15" x 11" light crème or white Kona type cotton
- One piece 15" x 11" piece of fusible interfacing OR batting
- One piece 15" x 11" piece of OESD AquaMesh water-soluble stabilizer
- One piece 15" x 11" piece of preprinted stabilizer

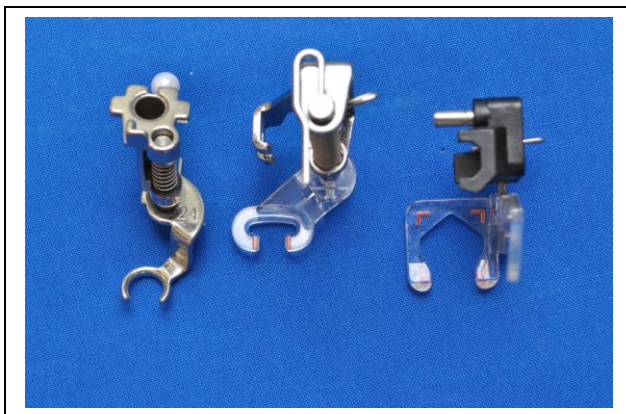
Items available for sale the day of class*:

- \$9.50 - 6" wooden machine embroidery hoop
- \$8.00 – variegated brown thread

NOTE: The project for the workshop can be seen on my website, www.nancyprince.com, under the Workshop section, Thread Sketching – Flowers Along the Way.



To view my free video demonstrating the difference between a straight and zigzag stitch go to www.nancyprince.com and at the Home page, scroll down to *Stitches with Attitude*.



Examples of free motion feet from left:

1. Bernina #24
2. Janome or Baby Lock
3. Pfaff