

Judy Niemeyer Paper Piecing

Please read through the instructions below.

Tools & Class Supply List:

12" Add a Quarter Ruler
6 X 24 Ruler, & 3 X 12, or smaller Ruler
Small Scissors
Rotary Cutter, Medium Cutting Matt
Seam Ripper
1 or 2 Gallon Zip Lock Plastic Bags
Sewing Machine good working order
Size 10 or 12 Machine Needles
High Quality Fine Cotton Thread
Power Strip or Extension Cord

Glue Stick Pen - Sew Line, or
Fons & Porter
Large Plastic Covered Paper Clips
Binder Clips (Medium & Large)
Flower Pins
3 ½" X 14" Template Plastic
Purple Thang or Stiletto
Pressing Station (Small Side Table)
(Optional)
Matte Finish Removable Scotch
Tape

- 1) It will be useful to have a pressing & medium size cutting station beside your sewing machine. I use a small folding table 19 X 30 that I bought at Menards for my cutting and pressing station. I have an Omnigrid 12" X 18" Fold-Away Cutting and Pressing Station Board that I find useful for my paper piecing that just fits the top of the folding table. These are just tools that I have found useful and are not a requirement for the class. Make sure that your sewing machine is in good working order.
- 2) **Go to the Quiltworx.com website and check for corrections** on your pattern. On the right side of the pattern page there will be correction pages. Print these out for reference. Also, if you would like some ideas for fabric choices and colors you can refer to the gallery on the product pattern page. On the left hand lower side of the pattern page you will locate the gallery with pictures of quilts which other quilters have shared their completed projects.
- 3) Most important, before starting make sure to read through your pattern instructions completely. As you read through the cutting instructions highlight the size of fabric that you need to cut for your paper templates and other pattern pieces. **Always make sure to pay special attention** to the way the fabrics are laid out for the paper templates. (Example: Open and re-stack the strips facing **rightside up**. Or stack **wrong-side together**. When stacking fabric wrong sides

together this creates a right and left element for the paper foundations.) I would also highlight this on your pattern instructions to alert you in the change of fabric position for cutting it out with the paper templates.

- 4) **Paper Templates** – Have cut lines & sew side. ***DO NOT cut these papers apart.*** Cut around outside line only. Leave 1/8 inch beyond the outside line. Only when the paper templates are positioned on top of fabric cut to size for them are they cut apart on cutting lines. Paper Templates are laid on top of right side of fabric.
- 5) **Paper Foundations** – Have sew lines. When cutting out the paper foundations leave 1/8 inch beyond the outside line. These are the papers that are used to piece the units to assemble your quilt. Section 1 fabric is always wrong side up, 2nd fabric and on are positioned right side up.
- 6) I find it easier to leave the 1/8 inch beyond the outside line of the papers than cutting exactly on the line.
- 7) Check out Judy's U Tube video on preparing your papers, Search – [Quiltworx.com The Basics of Foundation Papers](#).
- 8) **Please Have All Of Your PAPER PATTERNS & Fabric Cut Out Before Class.** This will allow us to utilize the class time we have together. I use a 3" X 18" ruler and my small rotary cutter (which I save specifically for paper) to cut out and trim the paper foundations and paper templates. I use the large rotary cutter when cutting on the cut line on the Paper Templates, through the many layers of fabric. **Cut on the paper templates cut line in numerical order.**
- 9) Trace the **dash seam allowance lines** on the back of all of your paper foundation piecing patterns. Use a light box or place your patterns on a window and trace. If you have a glass top table you can also put a light source under the table and use it as a light box, or a plastic container with a flat bottom which you can put a light underneath. The traced lines on the back are used to help you locate the actual shape and size of each section of fabric as you paper piece. Lines can be traced as solid lines.

Quiltworx has great patterns to enable you to begin to learn Judy Niemeyer's paper piecing techniques. We will take this step by step and create amazing quilts. I am looking forward to sharing these techniques with you and seeing the beautiful quilts that you create.

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