

Intro to Hand Quilting

Instructor: *Tammy Hutchings*

Beginner

Saturday, November 15, 2025

10:00 am – 4:00 pm



Have you been intrigued with handquilting, but intimidated by the idea of a large project? Now is your chance to tip your toes into the world of handquilting with this mini wholecloth quilt depicting iconic desert scenery. Join us as we learn the basics of handquilting including: basting a small quilt, rocking the needle, quilter's knots, supplies, and tips for adding your own special touches.

Supplies:

- A hand-drawn, prewashed quilt top will be provided during class.
- ✚ Between/Quilting needles - I prefer Foxglove size 9 or 10
Note: if you wish to do big stitch quilting you will also need a chenille needle size 22 or 20.
- ✚ Large Basting needles - these are typically 3 to 4" long and very sturdy
- ✚ Scissors or thread snips
- ✚ Thimble
- ✚ 10" to 12" quilting hoop (NOT an embroidery/cross stitch hoop), quilting hoops are often wooden and can seem a bit flimsy.
- ◇ Quilting Thread - colors are your choice but I prefer a 50wt 100% cotton for standard quilting and an 8 or 12 weight perle cotton.
- ◇ Basting threads - I use inexpensive threads, things that are leftovers from other projects, often Coats and Clark.
- ◇ Roll of masking or painter's tape
- ◇ Pattern weights (I use tiles or coasters, or an unopened tuna can in a pinch)
- ✚ Optional but helpful: thread conditioner or beeswax, needle threader, light and readers if used when binding quilts.

Fabric:

- ✚ Backing - 28" x 22" (Recommended: Light colored with with an overall pattern)
- ✚ Batting - 28" x 22" (Recommended: Hobbs Tuscan Wool, or a bamboo batting) Please note that cotton battings are easily obtained but most beginners find it challenging to needle.
- ✚ Binding - ½ yard (Not needed at class, but to finish the quilt)

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Important! Cactus Quilt Shop will make every effort to stock the items listed with a ✚ icon. Once registered, you may receive 10% off those supplies, if used for your class, up to and including the day of class. *We cannot guarantee that we will have every item on-hand at any given time.* Items listed with a diamond (◇) will generally NOT be stocked at the shop.

Equipment:

- ❖ NO sewing machine needed, this is a hand sewing project.

Pre-Class Preparation:

- ❖ Please prewash and iron your backing fabric prior to class.

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Looking forward to meeting you!

Tammy

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