

Fabric and other Items Needed for your Feathered Wreath Quilt Stencil Version

This project will focus on the quilting. It is recommended that you choose solid color fabric or fabric with small texture that “reads” like a solid fabric. AVOID highly printed fabric.

We WANT the quilting to show!

Approximate finished size 68 x 68 inches	
Fabric #1—Background Light fabric is suggested	2 yards
Fabric #2 - Block Fabric Darker fabric is suggested	1 yard
Fabric #3 - Border Medium dark fabric is suggested	1 3/4 yard
Batting	2 1/4 yards x 90 inches
Backing Fabric	4 1/2 yards x 40 inches
Binding	3/4 yard
<p>You will need the following Longarm University Feather Stencils which are available for purchase on the Longarm University website www.LongarmUniversity.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12 inch Feathered Wreath Stencil 6 inch Feathered Wreath Stencil 6 inch Swirled Corner & Border Stencil</p>	

Piecing: You will need basic sewing supplies and basic sewing/quilting skills to piece the quilt top.

Quilting Thread: I highly recommend using contrasting threads when quilting this project. The contrast doesn’t need to be extreme—unless you want it to be. We want to be able to see our quilting and we also want our quilting to be seen by others when we are finished. Use what every type of thread you and your machine are comfortable working with. Use as many colors of threads you want on this quilt.

Quilting: We will be using stencils to mark the quilting designs onto the pieced quilt top. The quilting is going to be a combination of stencils and free hand quilting. It is necessary that we draw the

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quilting designs onto the fabric of the quilt top. There are several different ways of marking a quilt with stencils including powdered chalk, pounce pads and such. These products are all good, but for this project I recommend using Crayola Fine Line Washable Markers which are available at all office supply stores and many grocery stores. The assumption is that this class project is going to be for your own use and that you will have complete control over the quilt once the quilting is finished. To remove the Crayola Washable Marker lines you need to wash the completed quilt with detergent and warm water.

***I use the Crayola markers only on my own quilts,
NEVER, EVER on a customer quilt!***

Most of the quilting designs are going to be stitched with stencils, but there is some free hand quilting in this project. I **highly recommend** purchasing a piece of clear, 1/8 inch Plexiglas (plastic). You can find this Plexiglas at your local hardware store and it usually comes in a piece that is 18 x 24 inches. You may want to measure the width of your workspace (the space between your machines rollers, where the actual quilting is done) and then get the Plexiglas cut to that width, or slightly smaller. This can be done at most hardware stores for little or no cost. Before using the Plexiglas, take either masking or duct tape (which now comes in many different colors) and place it over the cut edges of your piece of the Plexiglas. The tape serves two purposes. 1) it protects the edges of the Plexiglas. Sometimes the edges can be a little sharp and could scratch you or the tear the quilt. 2) The tape will also make a boundary or edge around the Plexiglas. This will prevent you from drawing off the edge of the Plexiglas.

We are going to place this piece of Plexiglas directly on top of the quilt top and draw your quilting designs directly on to the Plexiglas. I like to use a **Vis-à-Vis transparency marker** to draw on the Plexiglas. You will be able to see the quilt through the Plexiglas and see exactly how your quilting will look when finished. NOTE: The Vis-à-Vis transparency marker wipes off of the Plexiglas but it is **PERMANENT WHEN DRAWN ONTO FABRIC!** Ask me how I know this! Erase the marker using a damp paper towels.

There is a brief video tutorial on how to use the Plexiglas to draw your quilting designs on the Longarm University Tutorial Page.

Other items you may want to have on hand to make the quilting easier— **6 x 24 inch quilting ruler to make straight registration lines, or any other straight edge ruler that fits the workspace of your machine.**

REMEMBER this is a FUN project! This project does not need to be perfect. World peace does not depend on perfect piecing or quilting!! This is a project “just for you” and to learn how to use your machine and quilt some new patterns and how to use them in different ways.