

Fraternal Twins Supply List

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We will be making two quilt tops using the same set of fabrics, but they'll look very different. This is a technique class which requires consistent seams throughout. It is a technique that works well for two people to work on as long as their quarter inch seams are alike.

Finished size of each top will be 54" x 77"

Fabric Requirements:

½ yard each of 14 different fabrics (*variations of two color families work nicely*)

Border 1: **additional ¼ yard each of two of the above fabrics** (*I usually choose fabrics 2 and 13 for the inner borders*)*

Border 2: **additional 1¼ yard each of two of original fabrics** (*I usually choose fabrics 1 and 14 for outer borders, or choose a print that includes all of the colors used in the strata*)*

Binding: ½ yard for each quilt

**This leaves very little margin for error.*

Class Supplies:

Sewing Machine plus usual quilting supplies, **including a sharp seam ripper.**

Bring remaining fabrics to class, too.

Homework REQUIRED Before Class:

Make a chart showing placement of each of your fabrics, numbering them from 1 to 14, showing the order in which you'll be sewing them. This chart will be referred to throughout class.

1. Cut (5) 2-1/2" x WOF strips of each fabric.
2. Sew five identical strata, keeping fabrics in order 1 through 14.
3. Press two strata towards color 1 and two strata towards color 14. On fifth strata press half way across width of fabric (from selvage towards center) towards color 1 and the other half of width towards color 14.
4. Cut strata into 2-1/2" segments. Place these segments into two stacks matching seam directions. Be careful to keep like sets together (seams pressed towards #1 in one stack and #14 in the other)

I find that it takes me about 8 hours to prepare the fabrics, cut and sew the strata. If you cannot get all five strata sewn and cut before class, do as many as possible. You will need at least half of them done so you can proceed with the next step at beginning of the class. With proper prep before class you should be able to complete at least the center of one top or half of both tops so you can see how each will look.

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