

THE PERFECT FINISH – MACHINE QUILTING AND EDGE FINISHING  
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Explore everything related to completing your beautiful quilt tops starting with Sue's machine quilting techniques. Work on a small practice sampler of quilting ideas as Sue takes you step by step through the finished edge which will include traditional bindings, piped bindings, scalloped edge bindings and a wonderful loopy edge binding. Each of these will be added to the machine quilted practice piece. Then fill the last two days with your project. Consider a small feather wall quilt, table runner, purse or sewing kit—all incorporating the machine quilting and edge finishes.

### Supplies:

Sewing machine (don't forget your power cord and foot pedal)

Darning foot (I use an open toe version)

Appliqué foot – open toe

Piecing foot – ¼"

Walking foot –optional, bring if you have one

Straight stitch throat plate – optional, bring if you have one

Machine needles – Microtex Sharp – size 70/10 and 80/12

Pinking Scissors – optional, bring if you have

Small embroidery scissors – accurate cutting

Rotary mat, cutter and ruler

Optional, but a good idea – cushion for height at the machine, extension cord, multi-plug strip, extra light

Four 10" squares - muslin

Two 10" squares -cotton or cotton blend batting

50-75 safety pins (size 0 or 1)

Masking tape

Fabric marking pencil – I use **Quilter's Choice** brand – silver

Rubber gloves – kitchen dishwashing gloves, one size smaller than you wear for dishwashing

### SAMPLER and EDGE TREATMENT Supplies:

15" square solid or solid like cotton fabric for sampler top

19" square small matching cotton print for backing

19" square cotton or cotton-blend batting

¾ yard of two different fabrics for edge treatments (total 1 ½ yards)

### Thread:

Sue uses 50/3 ply cotton, 50/2 ply cotton and 40/3 ply cotton.

These include Mettler brand, Aurifil, Superior Masterpiece and Superior King Tut Tone on Tones. Sue will have King Tut Tone on Tones for sale in class.

### \*\*Machine Quilting: A Primer of Techniques

**Stitched Raw Edge Appliqué** –companion books written by Sue (optional, not required)

### Supplies for Projects:

Sue suggests the following projects for the finishing of class techniques. Refer to her website [www.sue.nickels.com](http://www.sue.nickels.com) for complete project supply list, then use her project or bring yardage and similar pattern of your own that meets Sue's requirements.

Small Feather Wall Quilt

Table Runner

Purse/Sewing Kit