

Beautiful Birds in Fabric and Thread
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This is a fun class because you will learn how to easily create beautiful birds for your fabric pictures. You will learn to create a cardinal, a shorebird, egret, and a hummingbird by shape, value, color and stitching. All birds will be created in raw edge applique and simple thread sketching, and each technique will be slightly different. You will know how to adapt these skills to create other birds in other poses and on any background you choose. The kit will provide you with examples, patterns, and specially chosen fabrics.

Please bring these supplies to class:

sewing machine-Please do this before you come to class

Make sure you know how, and your machine is capable of, dropping the feed dogs, and stitching with both straight and zig zag stitches in that mode. Have your machine manual handy and be sure you have a free motion or darning foot on.

machine needle size 90/14, Universal, Microtex, or Embroidery (one with a big eye)

general sewing supplies

pencil and paper

cheap acid free glue sticks (not purple) (Cheap ones don't gum up the needle as much.)

thread:

-white bobbin thread (optional) size 70 to 100 wt thread, using this avoids having to change bobbin thread colors -or- have extra bobbins on hand

-40 or 50wt in light, medium and dark shades, of greens, blues, browns, reds
black, white, grey,

4 sheets of tracing paper

A kit is required and includes:

The kit cost is \$25 payable to Bonnie at class.

-stabilizer

-fabrics

-patterns

-transfer paper

-fusible-

-specialty thread

-one large and three small color images of each bird