Small Quilts and Miniature Quilts

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Do you have a wall that begs for a small wall quilt, or a dollhouse bedroom that needs a homey touch? Maybe a sleepy baby doll needs an extra comfy quilt. Small and miniature quilts can be quick and easy to make using various methods. They are great for beginning quilters, and offer enough challenge for more experienced quilters. It is an ideal project for using up fat quarters and leftover fabric scraps.

The quilt designs are based on traditional patterns. Participants will be introduced to these patterns and methods of piecing the blocks. Small quilts vary in size; the finished block size ranges from 2" to 5". Miniature quilt block size is based on the 1:12 dollhouse scale. Participants will learn to paper piece in making a miniature quilt. Paper piecing enables you to put together those small blocks of fabric with precision. Printed paper foundation sheets will be provided for all.

Participants will be able to sew at least one small quilt and one miniature quilt from start to finish, as well as complete other quilt tops.

Supply List:

- Sewing machine and cables
- Sewing machine manual
- ¹/₄ inch sewing machine foot
- Open toe sewing machine foot
- Cutting mat
- Rotary cutter
- Fabric scissors
- Scissors for cutting paper (do not use your fabric scissors!)
- Pair of small trimming scissors
- Seam ripper
- Hand sewing needle
- Extra machine needles
- Straight pins
- Extra bobbins
- Implement such as a chopstick for pushing out corners
- Small bag for discarded fabric pieces and thread
- Iron or mini-iron and ironing mat
- Extension cord and/or electrical power strip
- Optional: walking foot, second rotary cutter for cutting paper, pen, pencil or marker for marking fabric, wooden fabric "iron" for finger pressing seams in between ironing
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- For the first project you will need:
 - o ¹/₄ yard each of 3 coordinating fabrics: light, medium and dark
 - \circ $\frac{1}{2}$ yard of the dark fabric for the borders and binding
 - a fat quarter of your choice for the backing
 - a piece of batting approximately 18"x22"
- For the second project you will need:
 - ³/₄ yard of white or light colored fabric for borders, star blocks and backing
 - 1/3 yard of dark colored fabric for star blocks and binding
 - a piece of batting approximately 15"x19"

For the above and all other projects:

- Neutral cotton piecing thread in light gray or beige
- White or ecru thread for machine and/or hand quilting
- Thin low-loft batting (* if you intend to use the quilt in a dollhouse or as a doll blanket, you can use a white or neutral cotton flannel as the batting this will allow the quilt to drape nicely)
- Cotton fabric scraps and fat quarters
- Backing fabric

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- Choose fabrics that are solid or have small prints (lights, mediums and darks)
 - Thirties fabrics
 - scrappy fabrics
 - plaids and stripes
 - light background designs
- Also bring printed fabrics that contain a motif that can be fussy cut to use as a center motif in a miniature medallion quilt.

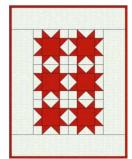








Finished Size: 16"x19"



Finished Size: 13"x17"



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