

## Rose of Sharon—Machine Applique

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Saturday, March 9, 2019

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

1-day workshop—all levels

### Description:

Learn stitched raw edge machine appliqué in this informative class. Sue has used this great technique on her award winning appliqué quilts. A small amount of fusible is used to seal the edge yet leaves the block soft. The machine blanket stitching makes this project secure for washing. Students will work on the “Rose of Sharon” block to learn the details of the technique. Explore inside and outside points, curves, circles and a great bias stem option. This block is from Sue’s quilt “Floral Bouquet” and all details that Sue used to create this quilt will be covered. As a bonus- “cute little bird” pattern will be included! Feel confident to work on any appliqué pattern after taking this class!

### Kit fee—\$4 (for 4 sheets of paper backed fusible web)

“Floral Bouquet” pattern will be available for purchase  
(Students will receive pattern for the block used in class at no charge)

### Supply List:

blanket stitch used

Sewing Machine- Single

### Don't forget foot pedal and power cord!

Open Toe Appliqué Foot- a **MUST** for machine appliqué (sometimes called an open-toe embroidery foot #20 for Bernina)

Scissors- small embroidery type for precise cutting of appliqué pieces.

Sewing Machine Needles- 80/12 sharp (Schmetz brand called Microtex sharp)

Basic Sewing Supplies- straight pins, hand sewing needle, extra bobbins, pencil, pencil sharpener, fabric marking pencil, small tweezers. Optional: circle templates.

Spray Starch (I use Best Press)

Fabric: 100% cotton (I like to pre-wash and press my fabric)

Background- Two 12” squares (starched)

Applique Fabrics- 5-6 small pieces (apprx. 12” squares) for appliqué flowers and leaves.

Cut 1” x 18” bias strip for stem.

Thread: 50/3 cotton in colors to match appliqué fabric. (Mettler or Superior Masterpiece are good choices)

Sue’s book “Stitched Raw Edge Appliqué” book is a companion for the workshop, not required.