

Fabric Tree Bowl Supply List

Instructor: Patti Dance

- Canvas for the base of the bowl will be provided.
- Iron on, double sided fusible such as: Steam a Seam lite, Wonder under, or Heat 'n Bond lite. Give yourself plenty. I suggest 2-2.5 meters. It won't all be used. (Bring misty fuse if you want organza or lace details) I like Heat n Bond lite. Personal preference.
- Fabric for back of bowl- I prefer batiks because of the tight weave which minimizes fraying. A fat quarter is ample. Stripes or directional patterns should be avoided. Batiks are a preference of mine, NOT a necessity. If using batiks, I recommend a prewash as sometimes the residual wax content in the fabric prevents the fusible from adhering properly.
- Fabric selection for the front of your bowl. Again, I like batiks. Choose a colour scheme of your liking: sunset, daylight, evening light and perhaps choose a seasonal preference too. Think about how your (birch) trees will look against your chosen colour palette. You will need strips of various widths. Many should have at least 16 inches in length. I suggest 8-15 fabrics to give you options as you work through your design. But more fabrics give you options.
- Specialty fabrics are optional but can really enhance your design. Think organza, lamé, or lace.
- Fabric for trees. White-ish if you are making birch trees as in the example. At least 16 inches in length. I will have some tree styles, cut out from my Brother Scan 'n Cut, available for purchase.
- Co-ordinating and decorative threads. Invisible thread may be helpful for your project. Please bring some white thread for your bowl construction.
- Sewing machine with straight stitch and zigzag stitches.
- Needles for your sewing machine. I recommend non-stick topstitch needles in size 12 or 14.
- Rotary cutter, cutting mat, scissors.
- Ruler-preferable one of 24 inches with 45° marking (can be shared)
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- A compass if you want to cut perfect circles. (Or circles that you can draw around like jar lids)
 - There will be lots of ironing to do, so please be patient. Personal mini-irons are not recommended because they can overload fuse boxes.
- A positive attitude and a smile will smooth things along.

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