

In the Valley

24" Applique' Block

This block, made with all cotton fabrics, is inspired by the antique Jacobean works of art along with Colonial Folk Art. The church at the base of a hill makes me think of a small, early town back in history. A schoolhouse or home could be an option instead of the church. Any of these options will be stunning as the center of a medallion or used as another block in the Early American Spirit quilt. The class will focus on perfecting Starch Basting shapes, using the original notions Missie has created to make this technique easier. We will start with the simple shapes and move towards the smaller, more intricate shapes. Even beginners are able to learn the basics of Starch Basting sharp points, tiny circles and 1/8" stems and crosses. Intricate details can add so much to a project and Missie will show you how!

Lab Kit \$24- Required - Includes the preprinted templates on Traditional Primitives brand Ultimate Freezer Paper, doubled and ready to cut and use. It also includes the pattern and a few needles to show you what great stitches can be achieved.

Large Fabric Kit \$74- 1/8 yd cuts of most of the 37 fabrics used. You will have enough of these fabrics to pick and choose as you wish for the elements of this quilt. You will have leftovers of some and use almost all of others, but it will also give you enough to use in borders, should you choose to use this block in the center of a larger quilt. It would also allow extra fabrics to continue using for more blocks from the Early American Spirit. Combining fabrics used in multiple blocks will create unison in a quilt. If you don't care for this background, Missie can show you what she has available and you are welcome to choose a different one.

Small Fabric Kit \$54- This kit contains smaller amounts of fabrics in case you just want to make this block and not have as much fabric leftover. Many fabrics will be fat 1/6ths. You will still have leftovers.

Thread Kit \$69.92 for 9 spools of 100 weight poly and silk that match the fabrics. ** Pricing may increase by next year depending on inflation. Thread kits can be pre-ordered at the cost of \$69.92 by following this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/In-the-Valley-Preorder>. If you get in the class and want to purchase the thread kit at that time, at the 2024, pricing that is fine.

Fabric Requirements- If you choose to bring your own fabrics

Large Kit amounts

- ❖ 35- 1/8 yd cuts- 6 reds, 3 purples, 4 browns, 5 teals, 3 cheddars, 1 yellow, 2 tans (windows and vase accents), 2 blues and 9 greens. Only scraps are needed for the colors besides the greens.
- ❖ ¾ yd background
- ❖ ¼ yd ivory/white for church, red for school, color of choice for house.
- ❖ ¼ yd greyish for vase

Small Kit amounts

- ❖ 26- fat 16th or 4.5" x 20" - the same number listed above for reds, purples, browns, teals, cheddars, yellow, tans and blues. These could be considered scraps for flower heads and other small details.
- ❖ 9- 1/8 yd cuts for greens
- ❖ ¾ yd background
- ❖ Fat 1/8 or 9" x 20" cuts- greyish for vase and ivory for church (Or red or color of choice for house)

Other Supplies

Notions from Traditional Primitives- Highly suggested for class

- ❖ Starch Brush
- ❖ Premium Quilting Starch

- ❖ Fingertip Stiletto
- ❖ Hexie Shaped Pressing Mat
- ❖ Round Toothpicks (Missie's come in a nice carry case)
- ❖ Missie's Favorite Thimbles- if desired

Other Notions and Supplies needed for class

- ❖ Medium sized fabric scissors and small sized for clipping threads if desired
- ❖ Small-medium sized paper scissors
- ❖ A good desktop light- magnifying light if you have one
- ❖ Threads that match your fabrics- 100 weight is suggested
- ❖ Needle Threader if desired
- ❖ Clover Mini Iron- Model MCI-900 with NO RED SLEEVE is the one Missie recommends
- ❖ Travel sized iron if you have it. This helps get the larger pieces prepped quicker. A square side to the iron base is very helpful.
- ❖ Portable Pressing Mat- Hexie Shaped Pressing Mat mentioned above is slippery for quick work and not too thick to prevent distorted shapes, lightweight. Do not use the foam Steady Betties with the mini irons mentioned above.
- ❖ Roxanne's Glue Baste-It or other applique' glue
- ❖ Light box (if you have one) or applique' pressing sheet for perfect placement. BOTP has a few light boxes to borrow if needed. Missie does not worry too much about perfect placement, but maybe you want to use these, so they are an option. Missie does have a nice large one she offers.
- ❖ Terrial Magic Starch product- Missie will bring some to share if you want to try it before purchasing. We only need a little for this project.
- ❖ Fray Block- Missie will bring some to share if you want to try it before purchasing.
- ❖ If you have room please bring a long extension cord or several that will reach away from your table. You may need multiple plugs so please bring one with several plugs.
- ❖ Small baggies or other storage for small pieces
- ❖ Any other sewing notions you need for handwork