



# **WORKSHOP BROCHURE Spring/ Summer 2024**

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## Dear Quilters, Crafters and Sewists,

Welcome to the new Workshop Brochure, we hope you are as excited as we are to start a new block of classes! Most of our courses that started in February will continue through to the summer, if not next year, but you'll see that you can join some of them in May as well! In this brochure we have some brand-new classes, we'll be revisiting popular classes from last year and earlier this year and trying out some very exciting new classes.

Sew Sisters continues to be popular particularly on Wednesdays and Thursdays (you all love Diane, we get it!) so if you fancy popping in for a bit of sew-cialising, give us a ring or send us an email to book in.

In June we will be the lucky recipients of the new Tilda range 'Creating Memories'. A beautiful range of small florals, checks, wovens and Liberty-esque prints. To accompany this range, we have ordered a boutique range of Liberty 'Heirloom 4' which will coordinate beautifully. Get your thinking caps on as to what to make with it. From Laundry Basket Quilts we'll be getting a few red, green and cream floral/leafy fabrics in from the range 'Joy' and of course, July is CHRISTMAS!!!! If you're ready to get a head start on your festive sewing, make sure you pop in in July.

If you're on Facebook or Instagram, make sure to give us a follow because this is where you'll see all the new deliveries first, news on Workshop Brochures and classes and any important information.

We hope you enjoy reading through this new Workshop Brochure and feel free to pop in anytime to have a look at the samples in real life.

*We hope to see you in the shop soon!*  
*Myriam, Sunny and Diane*

# Courses

*Please note: for any classes/courses that mention 'machine sewing', you will need to bring your own sewing machine to the class. Do make sure that the machine is clean (all fluff removed from the inside etc.) and in good working order and bring all leads, accessories and the manual.*



## EPP Heart Cushion

**Myriam**

**Hand and a bit of machine sewing**

**3 Wednesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**May 1 / May 29 / July 31**

**£60**

This wonderful 20" floor cushion is so very pretty and fun to make. The front and sides are English Paper Pieced and you will put a zip in the back. You will be shown how to make bias binding from a Fat Quarter to bind the edges for a neat finish to the cushion.



## Simple Days BOM (Block of the month)

**Myriam**

**Hand and machine sewing**

**4 Tuesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**May 7 / June 18 / July 30 / Sept 3**

**£80**

When making this wallhanging it was never intended to be a course but by popular demand we have done just that. Small appliqued and embroidered blocks surrounded by some very simple borders makes this a wonderful project to have on the go. Perfect for using up your scraps and bits from your stash.





**EPP Table Centre**

**Sunny**

**Handsewing**

**2 Thursday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**May 9 and June 20**

**£40**

Enjoy 2 mornings of handsewing making this beautiful table centre. It measures approx. 30” in diameter which means nice, big pieces to sew together. If you’re new to English Paper Piecing (EPP), this is a great project to start with. We’ll take you through the whole process, step-by-step from making your templates to sewing it all together.



**Sewing Accessories Folder**

**Diane**

**Hand and machine sewing**

**3 Wednesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**May 15 / June 19 / July 17**

**£60**

A beautiful folder to keep all your bits and bobs together. There are numerous pockets and a large zipped pouch in the back.

A useful folder to store an ongoing Work-In-Progress. A nice project to combine embroidery with patchwork and show off your sewing skills.



**Kimono Dressing Gown - Beginners Dressmaking**

**Myriam and Sunny**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Saturdays 10-3pm**

**May 18 and June 1**

**£85**

Learn to make this simple, yet elegant kimono dressing gown in just 2 days. No previous dressmaking experience required, this is a great project for beginners and those wanting to return to dressmaking after a long time. Basic sewing machine skills is all that’s needed.

## **Free Motion Quilting**

**Erica**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Tuesdays 10-3pm**

**May 21 and June 4**

**£80**

Learn how to use your sewing machine to quilt freehand patterns. You will start off with squiggles and then learn how easy it is to turn those squiggles to numerous different patterns. Once you know how; it's just a matter of practice to finesse those patterns. A great skill to have in your arsenal and something that looks difficult but is actually very simple.



## **From Basics To Beyond - Beginners Patchwork and Quilting and Beyond...**

**Ruth**

**Hand sewing**

**3 afternoons from 1pm – 3.30pm**

**Saturday: May 25 / June 22 / July 27**

**£60**

This course is aimed at complete beginners who want to make a beautiful patchwork quilt. From start to finish, Ruth with her years and years of experience, will guide you through each month's block (of your choice) followed by sashing, quilting, borders and binding. Everything is sewn by hand making it portable and mindful. You won't finish a quilt in these 3 sessions but you can make a good start. We run this course each term meaning you can sign up again in September and continue your sewing.

*Pictured is one of Ruth's recent students finished first quilt.*



## **Dressmaking**

**Helen**

**Machine sewing**

**3 Thursday Mornings 10am - 12.30pm**

**May 30 / June 13 / June 27**

**£60**

Do you want to make a simple but unique garment in a small, supportive, and friendly class? This course will guide you through the reading and understanding of a commercial pattern, cutting your fabric pieces, and constructing your garment. The aim of the course is for you to gain confidence in your sewing abilities. To make a simple garment that fits you well and has a professional

finish. We want your garment to be one you love and are proud to wear. More importantly, we hope you will gain skills you can put to use in future dressmaking projects.

We have a maximum of 6 in this class so please book early!





### Jelly Stars Quilt

**Myriam**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Wednesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**June 5 and June 12**

**£40**

If you want make a beautiful quilt that looks much more complicated than it really is, this is the one for you. The stars will appear as by magic and the whole quilt comes together nice and quickly. Rotary cutting and basic machine sewing skills are a must for this short course.



### Zadie Jumpsuit

**Myriam and Sunny**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Saturdays 10-3pm**

**June 8 and June 15**

**£80**

If you're one of the many people who have complimented us on our jumpsuits over the years, it will have been a Zadie (We both have five at least and they all look different). Not difficult to make as it hasn't got a zip nor buttons or buttonholes. It suits all shapes and sizes and is very comfortable to wear (yes, you can get out of it quickly to go to the toilet...), so why not have a go at dressmaking with this one? Please note: You will need to purchase this pattern from the makers before the class which will be an additional £20.



### Pumpkin Tablerunner

**Myriam**

**Machine sewing**

**3 Tuesday mornings 10-12.30**

**June 11 / June 25 / July 9**

**£60**

It is a bit early to think about Autumn and pumpkins but if you want to have this finished when the leaves are turning, let's get started! You will need strips of fabric in lovely warm autumn colours and I will show you how to make them into this lovely table runner or a pile of comfy cushions.

Rotary cutting and basic sewing skills are a must.



### **Block Binder**

**Erica**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Fridays mornings from 10am – 12.30pm**

**June 21 and July 5**

**£40**

Back by VERY popular demand!  
 Make a handy 'book binder' to store your ready-made blocks nice and flat. Useful if making blocks in a class setting, block of the month, or before you assemble a quilt. Easy to make using odd blocks that you may have hanging around and you can add as many pages as you like.



### **Painterly Petals Quilt**

**Myriam**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Saturday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**June 29 and July 13**

**£40**

If you have always liked to make a quilt but haven't got the skills, then this is your chance to make a start. Some pretty squares combined with plainer ones and a simple but effective border finishes this lovely bright quilt. Will look just as nice in more muted colours.



### **Cord making**

**Louisa**

**2 Tuesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**July 2 and July 23**

**£45 (includes foam disc)**

Come and try something completely new but just as much fun, mindful and addictive as sewing.

Learn the Japanese art of Kumihimo braiding to make intricate patterned cords for fastening and embellishing anything from garments to bags or even shoes. They make ideal drawstrings for your handmade bags. The course will run over two mornings and starts with making a basic 16 strand braid using Japanese foam discs, then moves on to other patterns and finishing the ends. No previous experience is needed, this course is ideal for beginners.

*This photo doesn't do them justice so please pop in and see the samples for yourself.*





**The “Oh how cute!” Calendar Month-of-the-month (like a block of the month but because it’s a calendar....)**

**Myriam and Diane**

**Hand and machine sewing**

**3 Wednesday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**July 3 / July 10 / October 2**

**£60**

A perpetual calendar with mini quilts for the dates and days of the week and a pretty box to store them all in. A bit of applique, a bit of embroidery and a bit of embellishment. This is one of those projects that will give you so much joy to make and once it is finished the joy of seeing it change every day of the week.

Applique can be done with fusible web or needleturn.

Every crafter needs one of these!!



**3 Zip Pouch**

**Diane**

**Machine sewing**

**2 Thursday mornings 10-12.30pm**

**July 11 and July 25**

**£40**

A much-admired and very useful pouch with 3 zipped compartments.

Perfect for your sewing bits and pieces or make up and they make wonderfully thoughtful gifts.

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# DAY WORKSHOPS



## Simple Tunic Top - Beginners Dressmaking

**Sunny**

**Machine Sewing**

**Saturday May 4**

**10 - 3pm**

**£45**

Learn to make this easy floaty top in just 1 day! Made up of just 3 pattern pieces, no sleeves to set in, no zips, darts or buttonholes and one of those tops you can throw on with everything. Perfect for the summer and people interested in beginning their garment-making journey. Only basic sewing machine skills needed.

## Rotary Cutting

**Myriam**

**Saturday May 11**

**10am – 12.30pm**

**£20**

Is it a case of ‘all the gear and no idea’ with your rotary equipment or have you been wondering what all the fuss is about? This will be a good class for you! Rotary cutting is an important part of modern patchwork and you will have seen all the contestants use theirs on the Sewing Bee. In this class we will teach you about the rotary cutter itself and how to use it safely and accurately, we will cover how to use and maintain your cutting board and the use of different rulers. Most of our classes require the ability to rotary cut.



## Kinomichi - Beginners Patchwork

**Myriam and Sunny**

**Machine sewing**

**Friday May 24**

**10am - 3pm**

**£40**

If you want to learn to make a quilt very quickly or are new to patchwork, this popular class is for you! You will learn rotary cutting and machine piecing. This quilt comes together very quickly so makes a wonderful last-minute gift.



### **Learn To Use Your Sewing Machine**

**Myriam and Sunny**

**Tuesday May 28**

**10am - 1pm**

**£25**

If you're new to sewing or have just acquired a sewing machine and you're not sure how to use it, come to our class and by 1pm you'll be best of friends. We cover the anatomy and workings of the machine, maintenance, stitch patterns, button holes, zips and a whole lot more.



### **Pyjama Shorts / Lounge Shorts - Beginners**

**Dressmaking**

**Sunny**

**Machine sewing**

**Saturday July 6**

**10-3pm**

**£45 (includes pattern)**

The easiest way to get into dressmaking if you're a beginner and fantastic shorts to just throw on whether for bed or casually around the house when it's warm. These pyjama bottom shorts feature in-seam pockets and an elasticated waist making them both comfy and practical. Easy to wash, sew and wear. Sizes XXS – 4XL.



### **"Twinchies" 2 Inch Embroidery Patches**

**Barbara**

**Handsewing**

**Tuesday July 16**

**10-12.30**

**£25**

These are embroidery miniatures that will end up as 2" squares. They can be tiny landscapes, flowers, trees etc or a design of choice. You will use stranded cottons and various stitches on a coloured background. They can be used in a multi felt frame or as individual pieces, even a necklace with suitable backing. Only one can be made in the workshop but you'll have the knowledge to make many more at home.



## **Fabric Box Making**

**Viv**

**Hand sewing**

**Saturday July 20 10-12.30pm**

**£25 (includes pre-cut card for the box and wadding)**

A basic box-making technique to make a box approximately 4" square and 3" deep, but the method can be adapted to your own size specifications in your own time. Some stitching and glueing involved using your choice of material.

Pre-cut card and full instruction sheet will be supplied by Viv. Make a special gift box, or keep it yourself to stash those bits and pieces!

Maximum of 6 in this class so please book early!



## Terms and Conditions

**Workshop policies: Please, read carefully before completing the booking form!**

**The number of students we can comfortably accommodate is 7 but we can fit more in if needed.**

**Full payment is required at time of booking your workshop and/or course. Cash or card payments are accepted. Card payments can be taken over the phone.**

**For a full refund, cancellations must be at least 14 days prior to the day of the workshop or course.**

**We reserve the right to cancel workshops and courses if the need arises. In that case you will receive a full refund.**

**Please note: for any classes/ courses that mention ‘machine sewing’, you will need to bring your own sewing machine to the class.**

**Other requirements will be emailed out approx. 2 weeks before the start date.**

**If you haven’t heard from us within this timeframe, please contact us, but please do check your Junk/ Spam Box on your computer.**

**For workshops finishing after 12.30, please bring a packed lunch or buy your lunch from Sally and Steve at 64 Café and Kitchen, very highly recommended (closed Saturdays!) or Wildmoor Deli, Tesco or Spar.**

**You can park your car in the Public Car Park at the back of the shop in Mary Street. There is an alleyway that comes out in Fore Street just up from our shop. Cash and card payment is taken in the carpark. Directions can be found on our website.**

**Regularly tools are left behind in our workroom after classes. Please, mark your tools with your name so that we can return them to their rightful owner.**

## Bookingform

Please, PRINT your details!

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