Creative Free Machine Sewing Day with Moira Neal



This will be a fun day for complete beginners to those of you who really enjoy free machining. We will work loose and free and I will bring plenty of samples along to inspire you and teach you how to achieve this lively look. I suggest that you might like to make a 20" cushion front but you are welcome to make several smaller pieces. We will start on paper for those of you who are new to free machining, or feel the need to loosen up, but you will be able to work at your own pace and skip this step if you prefer!

Please bring:

Sewing machine cleaned and oiled before you come. Please remove the needle plate and give it a good dusting out!! The machine must be capable of having the feed dogs dropped and you will need a darning/free motion foot.

Remember! Foot pedal, lead and instruction book and an extension table if you have one.

- Plain cotton fabric approximately 20" square (or your preferred size)
- I use white cotton sheeting, but you can use anything that suits your colour scheme
- Lightweight wadding and lining the same size
- A little spare fabric and wadding to practise on.
- Thread. I use black but whatever colour you use you will need a full reel
- Spare machine needles. If you have any old needles bring them along as we will be working on paper to start with.
- Spare bobbin and a pair of scissors
- If you have free machine stitched before and have already got a favourite aid like quilting gloves, bring them along, if not I will provide you with rubber grippy-bits that I use!
- A4 paper (several sheets) and a pencil.
- Water soluble pen, friction pen or fabric marker.
- Quilters ruler if you have one

Finally....

• 505 spray or quilters pins to sandwich the fabrics and wadding together.

I recommend that you do this before you come to save time!