

Robin Ruth Design Mariner's Compass Class

Information and Supply List

19" Finished Pillow (uses 16" Pillow Form)

Knife Edge/Overlap Back*



Students get to choose which kind of compass they will make - Skinny Robin (pictured left) or Fat Robin (pictured right). We will make a 12" compass block and then finish the center and into a 17" square.

You will learn different techniques for finishing the centers of your compass block and also different techniques for finishing your block into your background. I will share tons of tips for learning this revolutionary new strip-piecing method for making mariner's compass blocks!

This is a technique class and an introduction to my strip-piecing method. *Finishing your compass block into a pillow is optional as I find that many times people have their own project in mind for their block, and we likely won't have time to get to this during class.

A few tips for a successful class!

This class is jampacked with information and moves along at a quick pace. You should have several piecing projects under your belt before taking this class. This technique is not difficult, but different than traditional square and triangle projects, so having a little more experience is helpful. If you have good rotary cutting skills and can sew an accurate 1/4" seam, you will have a great time!

-Please get to class in time to set up and **be ready to sew** at the advertised time.

-Have all of your strips and squares cut **before** class.

-Make sure your machine is in **good working order**. Sew a couple of seams and make sure everything is working properly before you pack it up for class. Then sew a little again after you unpack at class to make sure all of your settings are correct. Don't forget to make sure you have a **full bobbin**.

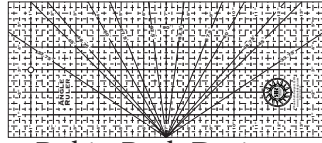
-Please take some time before you get to class to make sure you have the proper machine set up to make **accurate 1/4" seams**. To get accurate sized blocks, it is imperative that you sew with an accurate 1/4" seam allowance and it will save you much time and energy if you already have this figured out. I will also work with you during class to make sure your seams will help you achieve accurate finished blocks.

-I **encourage** you to go to my website at www.robinruthdesign.com and watch some of the video tutorials to get yourself more familiar with the techniques. You can see some video shorts (animated overviews of the process) at my Intro Video tab, and real time video tutorials (sit with me and we make a block together in real time) at my Video Tutorials tab. All of these videos are also accessible on my FREE app - search **Robin Ruth Design** at the App Store or Google Play.

-Come ready to learn lots and have some fun doing it!

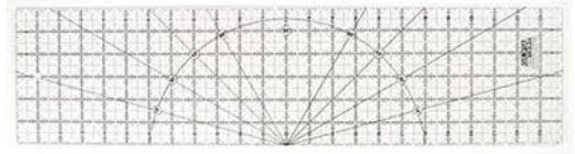
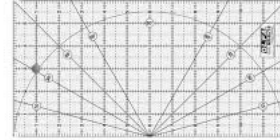
Supplies Needed for Class

- ☐ Skinny Robin 45° Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler OR Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler (can purchase the day of class **before** class)
- ☐ Regular sewing supplies (sewing machine, cutting mat and rotary cutter, thread, scissors)
- ☐ Straight edge ruler with 45° angle for Skinny Robin and 60° angle for Fat Robin. It is best if the angle is towards the middle of the ruler. Try my new Angle Ruler or Olfa makes one that you might already have. Rulers with the angles on the end will still work, but sometimes are a little more difficult to use - can be unweildly.



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Angle Ruler
6"x14"

Olfa Rulers
6"x12"
6"x24"

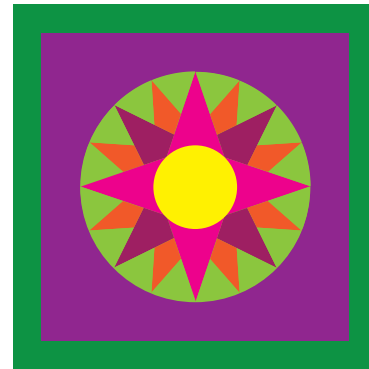


- ☐ Pins
- ☐ 18"x 22" Freezer paper rectangle (doesn't need to be perfect).
- ☐ Please have the following cut for class. Full width fabric strips (42") in high contrast fabrics - your choice. Bring a couple of each size, either for Skinny Robin or Fat Robin (**see below**). This is a good way to use up some leftover strips from another project. The colors listed in parantheses are so you can see where they will appear in your blocks.



Skinny Robin

- Background fabric (white) 3 1/4"
- Point 1 fabric (red) 2"
- Point 2 fabric (light blue) 2 1/4"
- Point 3 fabric (dark blue) 2 3/4"
- Two 4" squares for center (yellow)
- 17" square (lime green) for finishing compass into a block
- (optional) 1/2 yd. of fabric for pillow cover borders and back (orange)



Fat Robin

- Background fabric (lime green) 3 1/4"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) 2 1/4"
- Point 2 fabric (dark purple) 3"
- Point 3 fabric (pink) 4"
- Two 6" squares for center (yellow)
- 17" square (purple) for finishing compass into a block
- (optional) 1/2 yd. of fabric for pillow cover borders and back (dark green)



Pillow finishing instructions will be provided seaparately.