

FABRIC TREASURE BOXES

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These charming fabric boxes are easy to make in any size you desire and can fit a novelty print for the lid. In the class you will receive a pattern for three sizes but also the measurement formula to allow you to design future boxes to specific dimensions; you can even make sets of nesting boxes. Though you will make a basic fabric box in class, the instructor will cover ideas and tips on embellishing boxes. These make elegant gift boxes to present a gift, fill with chocolates or a special keepsake, or make the box itself a gift. They are remarkably durable too, I have been using one for my quilting safety pins for almost 20 years. Please note this project needs a sewing machine with a zipper foot. The case is stitched together by machine, but the final assembly will be done by hand.



Please be courteous to others by arriving for class with the correct supplies. Contact me at 503-888-9784 or helene.m.knott@gmail.com if you have any questions.

A Note to Students: Many students do not realize that once the teacher is paid, the shop offering a class makes little if any income on the class itself. The shop is relying on product sales to continue offering quality classes to you. Therefore, I urge you to patronize this shop when buying your supplies for this class as much as possible and remind you that big chain stores do not offer the variety of classes that the smaller shops do. Keep quilt classes alive by supporting this shop.
Thank you, Helene

TOOLS & MATERIALS:

- **2 Fat Quarters of cotton fabric:** One will be for the outside of the box and the other for the lining.
- **Motif print for lid:** There is a choice of three box sizes. Choose a motif that will fit on a 3"x 3", 4"x 4", or 3"x 5" lid. *Do not precut the motif fabric.*
- **Matching sewing thread**
- **8"x 12" (approximate) piece of plain mat board:** Available at some craft supply shops and framing shops. This will be enough for 1-2 boxes depending upon box size. Many frame shops sell this smaller inexpensive size for do-it-yourself framing or you can ask if they have leftover pieces from their framing job. NOTE: make sure you get mat board; ordinary cardboard will not work! If you cannot find mat board you can use foam core board (1/8" thick) but the box will not be as strong or durable as a box made with mat board.
- **12"x 18" piece batting:** Choose something thin and even such as Warm & Natural or Pellon Thermolite.
- **Glue stick**
- **1 decorative 1/2" button with a shank**
- **Cloth wrapped elastic hair tie (optional):** Available in packages in hair care department of stores. Buy the thinner type with a bead on one end (this will be for an elastic closure). **OR** 1 skein of Perle Cotton in Size 5-8 (for a braided closure).
- **Gallon-sized Zip-loc bag**
- **Several sheets of scrap paper:** To protect work surface from glue.
- **Freezer paper**
- **Sewing machine with a regular foot AND a zipper foot attachment:** YOU ABSOLUTELY MUST HAVE A ZIPPER FOOT FOR THIS PROJECT.
- **Sewing awl**
- **Scissors:** You will need good fabric shears, embroidery scissors and everyday utility scissors (see note*)
- **Cutting mat, rotary cutter and quilters' cutting ruler:** an 11"x 17" mat and a 4"x 12" ruler should be fine.
- **Mat or box knife with a sharp blade (absolutely necessary)**

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- **Hand sewing needles and pins**
- **Skewer, knitting needle:** or some other similar tool for poking out the corners of fabric case after it's been turned.
- **Seam ripper**
- **A bead, small tassel, or charm (optional):** If you opt for a braided closure, you can add a dangle on the tie.



Cat boxes



Nesting boxes



Jeweled Box