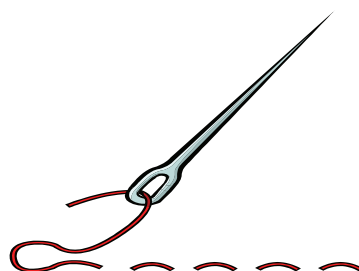


# TOP STITCH

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## Make a Pillowcase, Make a Difference



It's a simple idea; make a pillowcase and donate it to local charities. Whether it goes to a foster child needing love, an abused woman needing a home, an ill person needing hope, or a homeless teen needing just about everything, a small gift can be one step towards that difference. That's why **Top Stitch** is participating in the 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge organized by *American Patchwork & Quilting*.

Throughout 2010 we will be collecting hand-made pillowcases and donating them to the local non-profit **Community Works** which operates many programs for people in need. They are the umbrella organization for the **Dunn House** (for battered woman) the **Boys & Girls House** for foster children and a shelter for homeless runaways. They also provide training and assistance programs for at-risk families and those trying to transition from life on the streets to a life of security. We will periodically be reporting the donation numbers to the 1MP Challenge organizers so that they can update their on-line counter.

To facilitate your help with this mission we are first introducing two programs that will run from January 4 thru October 30, 2010:

- We will have kits made up with coordinated fabrics pre-cut to size; all you have to do is sew up a few seams. You will pay \$10 for each kit, then when you bring your finished pillowcase back you will receive a \$5. in-store credit.
- The perfect excuse to use your stash! For every completed pillowcase you donate using your own fabrics you will receive a \$2 in-store credit.
- You can keep collecting credits on account up to \$100 for merchandise only; they will not be refundable for cash, nor can they be used for service/repairs.

You can start immediately by downloading free pillowcase patterns from [www.allpeoplequilt.com/pillowcases](http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/pillowcases). They will be posting additional new designs in March and also in September. If you'd like to learn more about **Community Works** go to [www.community-works.org](http://www.community-works.org). As the project progresses we will also be looking for other local organizations that provide services for the ill (such as children with cancer) and the elderly. We welcome your help and suggestions.

It's a New Year and a New Decade; make 2010 the year you resolve to sew for fun - and sew for a difference too. It's a simple and wonderful challenge.

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### Top Thanks

- Jonathan and I both want to thank you all for the hundreds of cards & e-mails you sent while he was recovering from his (nearly fatal) car accident. Your thoughts and prayers reminded us both of how grateful we are to live and work in this community. His miraculous recovery combined with your encouraging support is truly like a scene from "It's a Wonderful Life". Thank you all many times over!

## Quilting with Bernina

Develop your skills and confidence with straight line and free-motion quilting. Work with the walking foot and quilting feet, including the famous BSR (not required). Learn how to decide on threads and needles for different effects. Karen instructing.

**Fee: \$15.** (plus basic supplies)  
(*Top Stitch Purchasers of BSR machines special price \$7.50*)

Sat., January 23, 10:00 - 1:00

Fri., February 12, 10:00 - 1:00

Sat., March 13, 10:00 - 1:00

Wed., April 7, 1:00 - 4:00

## Redwork & Blackwork with BSR

In this lecture format, Karen will demonstrate her technique for using the BSR to create redwork and blackwork quilts. We'll cover everything from preparing the fabric to tracing the pattern as well as the special tricks for stitching fine details and lettering.

**Fee: \$7.50**

Fri., February 26, 10:00 - 11:30

Thurs., April 8, 2:00 - 3:30

### Class Policies:

Space is limited; as a courtesy to others, please inform us immediately if you need to cancel.

We will cancel a class three days in advance if we do not have the minimum number of students.

You are expected to put a reservation on your calendar; we do not make reminder calls.

Previous purchasers are welcome to take their New Owner's Guide classes a second time at no additional charge.

## SIX WEEKS, TWELVE TECHNIQUES

In this lecture-format seminar, Karen will demonstrate her favorite embellishment techniques which can be used on everything from quilts to jackets - not to mention bags to bowls. Almost all of the techniques can be accomplished on any Bernina and Karen will discuss the various model differences when necessary. Each technique will be covered in-depth with our top tips, special tricks, and experienced insights into the typical traps to avoid. The lecture format allows us to cover more information in less time and also means you only have to buy the supplies that you really want to take home with you.

*You can choose to attend all 6 classes for a special discount rate of \$50 or individual sessions for \$10 each.*

### A IS FOR APPLIQUE & ANGELINA

Wednesday, January 27, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

### B IS FOR BOBBINWORK & BERNINA BRAIDS

Wednesday, February 3, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

### C IS FOR COUCHING & CUTWORK

Wednesday, February 10, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

### D IS FOR DECORATIVE STITCHES & DIGITIZING

Wednesday, February 17, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

### E IS FOR EMBROIDERY & EMBELLISHMENTS

Wednesday, February 24, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

### F IS FOR FELTING & FABRIC PAINTSTIKS

Wednesday, March 3, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

These classes are complimentary with purchase of a machine from TOP STITCH.  
Choose one of the options listed below for your model(s) then call or come in to reserve your space (pre-registration required.)

### Activa & Aurora Guide Classes

- Saturday, January 30, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, February 17 and Thursday, February 18, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (both days)
- Thursday, March 11 and Friday, March 12, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm (both days)
- Saturday, March 27, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

### Aurora Embroidery (additional classes for embroidery with Aurora machines)

- Thursday, January 28, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
- Saturday, February 27, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 31, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

### Artista AND NEW 8 Series Classes (for 830 / 820 machines)

#### Sewing Machine Features:

- Thursday, January 21 and Friday, January 22, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (both days)
- Saturday, February 13, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 17 and Thursday, March 18, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm (both days)
- Saturday, April 10, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### Embroidery Usage:

- Saturday, February 20, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 24, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

### Serger Guide Classes (for all new Bernina serger models)

- Thursday, February 4 and Friday, February 5, 1:00 - 4:00 pm (both days)
- Saturday, March 20, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

When you Buy a Bernina at TOP STITCH the following services are Always included:

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# 20% OFF Polysheen Embroidery Thread

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## *Annual "Out With the Old"*

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← January 15 - 30 →

← 20 - 60% Off all Fabrics\* →

(\*1/2 yard minimum cut)