

CLASS DESCRIPTION

Design and create your own village...learn improvisational piecing techniques to create huts, houses and curved landscapes. Learn to put it all together into a free form landscape quilt.

You will exercise strip and curved piecing techniques to create individual quilt units; design your own quilt diagram and put it all together through improvisational piecing techniques. Size of finished work varies, I recommend 36" x 36" or 40" x 20" or 20" x 40" approximately.

LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE: Intermediate (good piecing skills)

CLASS DURATION: 3 full days

SUPPLY LIST:

- **Tool/Supply List:**

- Rotary cutter, mat and quilter's ruler
- Sewing machine and accessories for straight sewing
- Seam ripper, pins and scissors
- Notebook and pencil.

- **Fabrics:**

Approximately 20 different cotton fabrics in two groupings: Huts/Houses and Background. You need only a small amount of each, ¼ yard or less. Fat quarters are perfect! Make sure your fabric groupings include a range of values from lighter to darker. Contrast between both groupings is important to make sure your huts/houses stand out on the background.

1/2 yard of "people" fabric or "animal" fabric - chicken, dog, cow, etc (optional)

Scraps of brown/grey fabrics for landscape details (optional.)

- **Batting:** A large piece of batting (approximately 50" x 50") to transport your design.

- **Fabric Preparation:**

Some people pre-wash fabrics before using in a quilt and some don't. I typically pre-wash if the quilt will be used as a cover and I don't if I work on a wall hanging.

- **Threads:** Neutral thread for piecing

- **Digital Camera:** optional.

- **Examples and fabric groupings**

#1: Tents on sand dunes: 10 different fabrics in various bright colors for tents and 10 different beige/gold/taupe fabrics for sand dunes

#2: White houses on a cliff: 10 different white/beige fabrics for houses and 10 different brown/taupe/grey fabrics for rocks background. Perhaps a few blues for sky.

#3: Houses on a Caribbean island: 10 different fabrics in primary colors and 10 different green/blue fabrics for trees and water

#4: African Huts: 10 different fabrics with African colors/prints and 10 different gold/green/ fabrics for background. Some fabric scraps with animals.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at hildemorin@gmail.com