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**Experience Level**

Intermediate

**Sewing Machine  
Required**

Yes

**Course Overview**

Create your very own stunning sunflower garden using Robin Ruth Design's innovative STRIP-PIECING method and rulers for making this variation on the Mariner's Compass block. We'll spend the day creating Fat Robin Sunflowers for your own fabulous garden. You will learn this raw edge appliqué method for finishing your blocks and I will also give ideas for shaping these flowers into other shapes and embellishing these gardens with other appliqué shapes (including bias stems and shaped leaves).

**Required Book or Pattern**

Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass Book and Ruler Combo (or the previous Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler Plus the Fat Robin Companion Booklet)

**Fabric Selection**

See attached page for more information



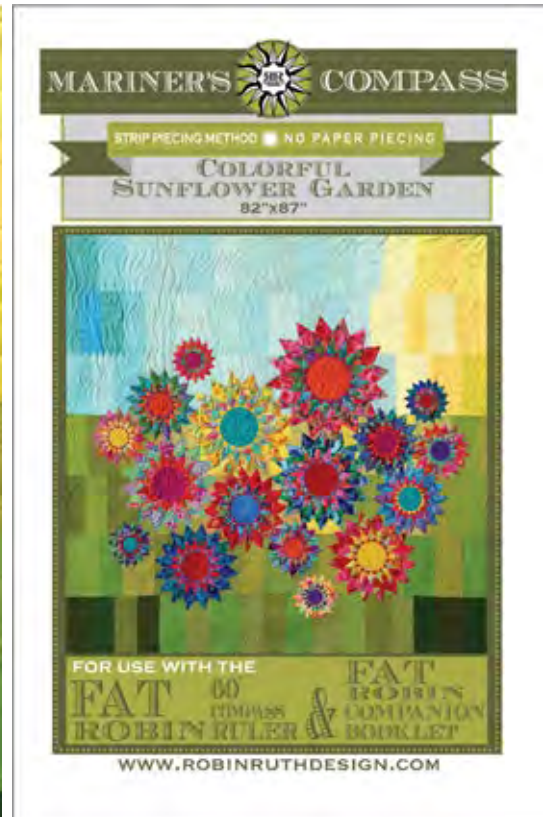
# Robin Ruth Design Strip-Pieced Sunflowers Supply List

## Skill Level - Intermediate

(Students should have completed a couple of previous quilt projects. Good rotary cutting skills and accurate sewing are a plus for this class.)

### Class Description

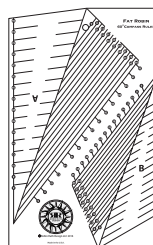
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Colorful Sunflower Garden Pattern - \$10  
(pattern purchase optional)

### Required for purchase

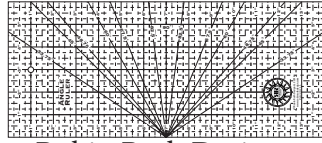
Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass Ruler and Book Combo  
(or the previous Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Ruler/Book AND Fat Robin Companion Booklet)



Fat Robin 16-Point  
Mariner's Compass Ruler  
and Book Combo

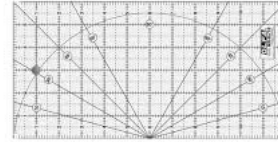
## Supplies Needed for Class

- Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass Ruler and Book Combo (or the previous Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Book-and-Ruler kit AND corresponding Fat Robin Companion Booklet).
- Regular sewing supplies (sewing machine, cutting mat and rotary cutter, thread, scissors)
- Straight edge ruler with 60° angle. 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 unwieldy.

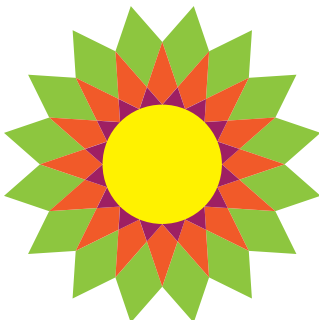


Robin Ruth Design  
Angle Ruler  
6"x14"

Olfa Rulers  
6"x12"  
6"x24"

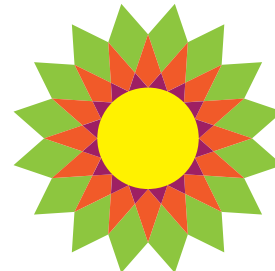


- Pins
- Full width fabric strips (approx. 42") in high contrast fabrics - your choice. We will start with a 14" block and, time permitting, also make a 12" block - strip widths listed below. Please have the following FULL-WIDTH strips (at least 42") cut for class. **Feel free to choose your own colors** - the colors listed in parantheses are so you can see where they will appear in your blocks.



**Fat Robin - 14" Sunflower**

- Background fabric (lime green) 2 strips x 3 1/4"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) 2 strips x 2 1/2"
- Inside Point 2 fabric (purple) 1 strip x 2"
- 8" square for center (yellow)



**Fat Robin - 12" Compass**

- Background fabric (lime green) 2 strips x 3"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) 2 strips x 2 1/4"
- Inside Point 2 fabric (purple) 1 strip x 1 3/4"
- 7" square for center (yellow)



**Sunflower Love**

42"x54"

Example of another project you can make using these strip-pieced sunflower blocks.

Free Download on my website!

## 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](http://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.