



**Robin Ruth Design
Strip-Pieced 16- to 32-Point
Mariner's Compass Medallion Class
2-Day Class
Skill Level - Intermediate to Expert**



Skinny Medallion
36"x36"



Fat Medallion
36"x36"

The above samples include optional embellishment suggestions (appliqué and quarter compass blocks) for application around the medallions. I will provide instructions for these embellishments in class.

Class Description

Want to create a stunning medallion for your next quilt project and learn a new strip-piecing method for making 16- and 32-point mariner's compass blocks? Robin Ruth Design has created a NO PAPER PIECING method using her innovative rulers. You'll learn the method for making these compass blocks and the skills necessary to create mariner's compass projects at home. These rulers will enable you to make many different style compass blocks in 16 different sizes from 6"-36".

Choose either the Skinny or Fat version medallion as shown above. Day 1 we will learn the technique used to make the 16-Point Compass middle block using your Original Skinny Robin 45° or Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Ruler/ Book. Day 2 we will learn additional techniques used to make a 32-Point Compass Sunflower (Version 2) outside block. You will also learn other techniques for finishing the centers of your blocks and for finishing these blocks into your project.

If students own both rulers (Skinny and Fat), they may mix and match their medallions as I have done in the samples shown on the last page.

Required for purchase

Skinny Robin 45° Mariner's Compass Ruler/Book
OR
the Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Ruler/Book

For loan during class

Companion Booklets and 32-Point Mariner's Compass Ruler - Template and instructions to be provided to take home if project is not finished in class

Supply List

Students get to choose which kind of medallion they will make - Skinny Robin (pictured left) or Fat Robin (pictured right). We will make the middle Compass blocks on the first day

- a 10" Skinny Compass or a 14" Fat Compass -

and then make the 30" Skinny or Fat Compass Sunflower Blocks (Version 2) on the second day.

(You may mix and match your blocks, Skinny and Fat, if you own both of these rulers.)

You will learn different techniques for finishing the centers of your compass block and also different techniques for finishing your block into your background.

Skinny Robin 45° Ruler or Fat Robin 60° Ruler required for class.

Companion Booklets and 32-Point Rulers will be loaned out to try on Day 2. Templates and instructions will be provided to take home if project is not finished in class.



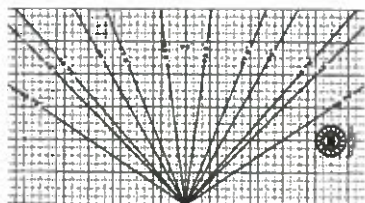
Skinny Medallion
36"x36"



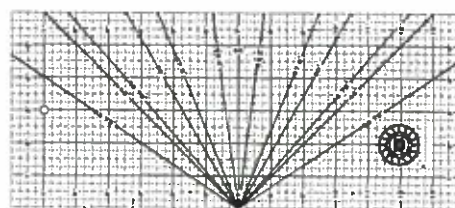
Fat Medallion
36"x36"

Checklist

- Skinny Robin 45° Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler OR Fat Robin 60° Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler. Companion Booklets and 32-Point Mariners Compass Rulers to be loaned to try out on Day 2 of the class.
- Regular sewing supplies (sewing machine, cutting mat and rotary cutter, thread, scissors)
- Straight edge ruler. The first day you will need one with a 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 unwieldy. A transparency comes in your 32-Point Mariner's Compass Book that you will affix to your ruler for the second day (you could use this for the first day as well). My Angle Ruler comes with all the angles needed for every Robin Ruth Design Compass block, Skinny or Fat. (Please note that purchase of the Angle Ruler is not required.)



Angle Transparency - Comes with 32-Point
Mariner's Compass Book



Robin Ruth Design Angle Ruler
6"x14"
(optional)

- Pins
- About 1½ yards of 18" freezer paper
- Please have the following cut for class - Day 1 and Day 2. *Full width* fabric strips (approx. 42") in high contrast fabrics - your choice. The colors listed in parantheses are so you can see where they will appear in your blocks.

Day 1



Skinny Robin - 10" Compass

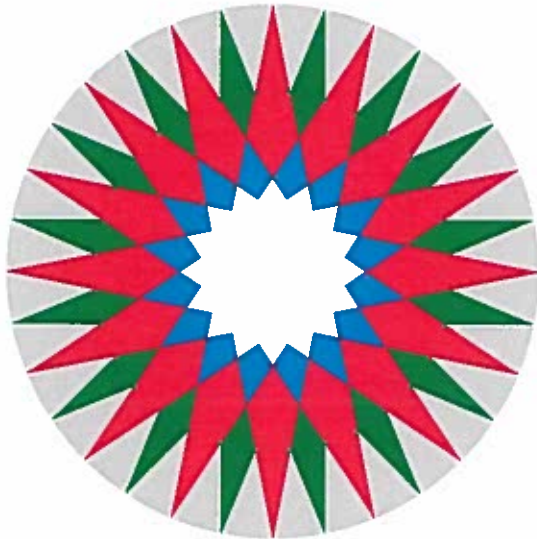
- Background fabric (gray) $3\frac{1}{4}$ "
- Point 1 fabric (red) $1\frac{3}{4}$ "
- Point 2 fabric (light blue) 2"
- Point 3 fabric (dark blue) $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
- Two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares for center (yellow)



Fat Robin - 14" Compass

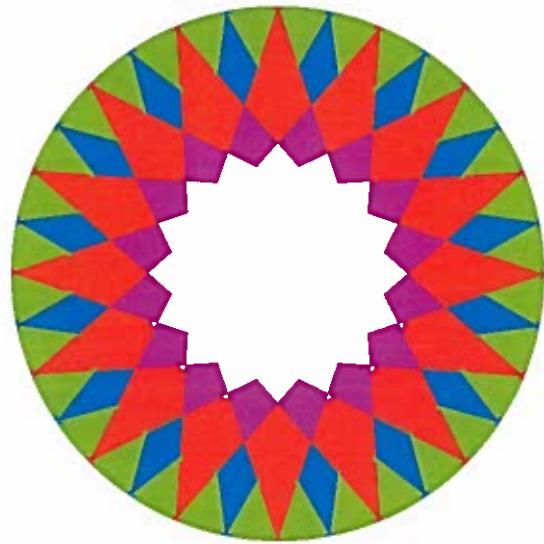
- Background fabric (lime green) $3\frac{3}{4}$ "
- Point 1 fabric (orange) $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
- Point 2 fabric (dark purple) $3\frac{1}{4}$ "
- Point 3 fabric (pink) $4\frac{1}{2}$ "
- Two 6" squares for center (yellow)

Day 2



Skinny Robin - 30" Compass Sunflower (Version 2)

- Background fabric (gray) - 4 strips x $3\frac{3}{4}$ " = 15"
- Point 1 (32) fabric (green) - 4 strips x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " = 11"
- Point 1 fabric (red) - 4 strips (if your fabric is 42"+) or 6 strips (if your fabric is less than 42") x $3\frac{3}{4}$ " = 15" or 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
- Inside Point 2 fabric (blue) 2 strips x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " = 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 36" square for finishing medallion (you may make this square larger or smaller, depending on what you want to do with it after your medallion is finished.



Fat Robin - 30" Compass Sunflower (Version 2)

- Background fabric (green) - 3 strips x 4" = 12"
- Point 1 (32) fabric (blue) - 3 strips x 3" = 9"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) - 4 strips x $4\frac{1}{4}$ " = 17"
- Inside Point 2 fabric (purple) 2 strips x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " = 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 36" square for finishing medallion (you may make this square larger or smaller, depending on what you want to do with it after your medallion is finished.

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 $\frac{1}{4}$ " 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 $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams. To get accurate sized blocks, it is imperative that you sew with an accurate $\frac{1}{4}$ " 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 my videos are accessible on my **FREE app** - search **Robin Ruth Design** at the App Store or Google Play. There is also a **block design feature** on my app where you can preview color combinations for your block.

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

If you own both the Skinny Robin 45° Ruler/Book and the Fat Robin 60° Ruler/Book you may mix and match your two compass blocks as shown in the example below.

Just make sure you cut strips for a 10" Fat Robin Compass block to go inside the Skinny Robin 30" Compass Sunflower (Vs. 2),

and a 14" Skinny Robin Compass block to go inside the Fat Robin 30" Compass Sunflower (Vs. 2).

Tables for cutting strips for these blocks can be found in your Skinny or Fat Robin Book.



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