



Learn Your Serger Level 1 – The Very Beginning

Be sure your serger is in good working order. Yep, you gotta plug her in and make sure she runs! If your machine has been sitting for a long time, the gear lube can solidify and freeze up the machine. Don't worry about threading it, just make sure it runs well with no thread. If we can't make it do its job during class, I will loan you one of mine in order to complete the samples and make sure you get the most from the lessons.

BRING:

1. Your serger, power cord, foot control, all accessories and the manual. **If you don't have the manual, please download and print one from the internet.** It is a great resource. Be sure to bring the tool that allows you to change the needle. It is either a tiny flathead screwdriver or a tiny Allen wrench. If you don't have it, try to replace it before class.
2. 4 spools of thread in 4 different colors. You can use regular spool thread if you don't have cones. If you want to follow the samples just as I will demo, bring green, blue, yellow, red. As long as the colors are contrasting, so you can really differentiate between them, it's fine. NOTE: if you have a new Brother serger that came with sample thread spools, these generally are NOT enough thread to do the entire class.
3. Standard sewing supplies (scissors, seam gauge, pins etc.).
4. Long tweezers (these come with every new serger, but if yours has wandered off, please be sure you bring one!) They are your best friend when threading a serger!
5. Double-sided tape for securing samples in your notebook. Pins work, too.
6. Sack lunch. We will break for about 20 minutes.