HAND QUILTING SUPPLY LIST

Marked and basted quilt sandwich

 You will have the most success with a quilt sandwich made with a proper thread count for hand quilting, such as Cherrywood Fabrics. For batting, thinner is preferred, such as Quilter's Dream Cotton in its thinnest loft (Request).

Hand quilting needle

- Size 10 Betweens are ideal for proper stitch technique, with Roxanne needles being our preferred brand. A longer needle, such as a milliner's, will not work for proper hand quilting stitch formation.
- Recommended: Roxanne Size 10 Between

Hand quilting thread

- Hand quilting thread is quite different from traditional piecing thread, such as Aurifil. Typical sewing thread, even a high quality thread like Aurifil, is 30 to 50% weaker than quilting thread and does not provide the necessary durability.
- Recommended: YLI Hand Quilting Thread*

Quilting Hoop

- The Grace Company makes the best hoops for hand quilting, particularly the Grace Hoop 2 DM. Understanding this is a significant investment, square PVC plastic hoops can work.
- Recommended: <u>Dritz Quilt-N-Go Quilter's Lap Frame</u>

Thimble

A proper hand quilting thimble is critical to stitch formation.
Roxanne Thimbles, available from Colonial Needle, can be sized to your finger and will provide the best results. Detailed sizing instructions are available on the Colonial Needle website. More generic sizes of Roxanne Thimbles (S, M, L) are also available.

Books

- Quiltmaking by Hand*, Jinny Beyer
- <u>That Perfect Stitch: The Secrets of Fine Hand Quilting</u>*, (2nd Edition) Dierdra A. McElroy



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