

Beach Please: Introduction to Landscape Quilts

Supply List

Accidental Landscapes by Karen Eckmeier

Your own beach-themed photo for inspiration (Lisa will have several available, too)

Wool Felt – 12 x 18 – a light neutral, or light blue (these are available at Ann Arbor Sewing Center)

Steam a seam II – 18” wide, ½ yard

Rotary cutter with very sharp blade

Cutting mat and quilting ruler (12” or 24”)

Fabrics:

10 - 12 Beige, tan, gray, brown, warm color (peach, orange, yellow) fabrics for sand

10 - 12 Cool color scraps ranging from very light to very dark for water (blues, purples, greens)

3 - 6 Light scraps for the sky (blue sky colors or sunset colors)

2 – 5 “Wildcard” fabrics (optional) – a pattern with purples, lilac, peach, pinks, a mottled mix of colors, or it could be leaves, grass, rock, shell, or sea life fabric. Just bring a couple of fun fabrics and we will talk about them in class. Here is a photo of some sample wildcard fabrics.



***Your fabrics can be scraps, at least roughly 2-4 inches wide, 12 inches long, batiks work best, but also can include upholstery fabrics, linens, knits, laces, burlap, netting, organza, etc. for texture.**

Thread: Beiges, blues, browns, whites, variegated is great. Just bring several from home.

*You can bring invisible thread if you like to use it.

Embellishments: Scraps of lace, yarn, sari silk, old doilies, trims, other fibers for more texture.

*See next page.

Scissors, straight pins, seam ripper

Sharpie marker

Sewing machine in good working order, cord, foot pedal

Regular foot and Free motion foot, a walking foot may be helpful, if you have one.

Schmetz **Super** Universal sewing needles, size 80 or 90 (they have a special coating, and are available at Ann Arbor Sewing Center)

Iron and ironing mat, store will have one available to share, too

Glue stick or Roxanne Glue-baste it

Hand needle

Beads, shells, driftwood, buttons, etc. (we may not get this far in class)

Scrap paper and a pencil

Embellishments to consider:

Lace ribbon, lace yardage, sari silk yarn waste, other yarns, rickrack, netting, torn fabrics, burlap, cheesecloth, upholstery fabrics, osnaburg fabric, silk, canvas, denim, organza, tulle netting, chiffon, beads, sparkly fabrics, shells, buttons, rocks, driftwood, sea glass, charms

Resources:

Old clothes- pretty fabric, laces, trims
Scarves – can be cut or torn for a sheer layer
Vintage linens, doilies, things that may be stained or worn.
Upholstery samples
Broken jewelry
Small shells (especially ones with holes in them)

My favorite places to shop:

Nu2U resale shop on Michigan Avenue in Saline

You can find all kinds of craft supplies and fabrics, some cheap jewelry, picture frames, clothes, some vintage linens.

PTSO thrift shop on South Industrial in Ann Arbor

You can get fabrics, scarves, clothes, vintage linens, doilies, trims, laces, yarns. Be sure to look in the drawers in the craft and household sections. This is my favorite place to get laces and trims and linens. Pay attention to the sign at the front of the store to see what color tags are 50% off for the week. Be aware that they are only open Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Scrap Box on Washtenaw in Ypsilanti

Wow! I get upholstery fabrics, regular fabrics, buttons, bags of laces, fabulous yarns, beads and charms, ribbons, seam binding, threads and trims for dirt cheap. It takes a little digging but I always come out with a bagful for under \$15.

The Lace Museum in Northville

Beautiful laces from all around the world, some cheap, some very expensive. Well worth a visit.

Etsy Great place to get sari silk ribbon and yarns, vintage laces, etc.

Fiber Expo (held twice a year at the Washtenaw Farm Council grounds, Saline)

Sari silk ribbon and yarns, sometimes for cheap

*There will be an optional “Embellishment Kit” available at class for \$20.00, paid directly to Lisa (cash or check, please). It will include yarns and fibers, laces, sari silk, tulle, and fabric swatches for added texture.