

## The 19<sup>th</sup> Century Pineapple Block



Make a quilt just like your great-grandmother did! Utilizing narrow strips of fabric, this classic block is sewn by hand in class just as the first Pineapple patterns were made in the 1800's. Looks complicated but is so easy! All kinds of scrap fabric can be used in this project. It is a gentle introduction to hand sewing and harks back to the old-fashioned quilting bee. Great for first-time quilters or experienced hands who'd appreciate a portable project.

### **Materials List**

Students please bring:

- Basic hand sewing kit (thimble, needles like an assortment of Sharps and Straws, straight pins, charcoal gray sewing thread of good quality, small scissors, seam ripper)
- An Ott light (or other portable sewing light) if you need extra light for hand-sewing plus an extension cord.
- Pre-cut one 14½” square of light-weight white fabric (cotton lawn or poly-cotton batiste). No sheeting or heavy muslin.
- Two pre-cut 6” squares of solid color fabrics—one representing each of the two color groups you chose for your Pineapple block. If you choose red and blue strips for your Pineapple, then bring a solid red and a solid blue for these squares.
- Two groups of pre-cut strips, cut 1½” wide, in colors coordinating with your squares (see above). Bring at least 10 (ten) different strips in each color group. Do not use light background fabrics since these will “shadow through” when used next to dark fabrics. Bring some extra scraps for more color choices if you like.
- Pencil and 18” ruler.

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