Too Cool T-shirt Quilt Supply List

Book: *Too Cool Style T-shirt Quilt* by Andrea T. Funk & Millie H. Funk (available at The Old Country Sore)

Cutting and Measuring Supplies:

- Rotary mat 18 x 24" or larger is ideal.
- Rotary cutter with sharp blade
- Fabric shears that cut knit T-shirt fabric easily
- Flexible tape measure
- Fabric marking pen, pencils or chalk a Clover Chaco Liner works nicely.
- Straight pins I like Flat Flower pins.
- Acrylic rulers feel free to wait to purchase your rulers until we discuss the recommended rulers at class. If you already have rulers, or wish to purchase rulers ahead of time, the following sizes are recommended:
 - o 12-1/2 x 12-1/2"
 - o 2" x 18" (Note: ruler needs to be 2" wide, <u>not</u> the popular 2-1/2" width!) In addition to the above rulers, these sizes are also very helpful:
 - o 4-1/2 x 4-1/2"
 - o 8-1/2 x 8-1/2"
 - o 16-1/2 x 16-1/2"

Pressing Supplies:

- Pressing cloth
- Spray bottle for water

Fusible interfacing - Although the *Too-Cool Style T-shirt Quilt* book recommends **not** using interfacing, I've found that it is much easier to work with T-shirts that have been stabilized with a light-weight fusible interfacing. So, please select a very light-weight, non-stretchy, non-woven fusible interfacing. Interfacing will be cut into squares/rectangles 2" larger than the finished block size. Both Pellon P44F-JAS and Pellon 906F work well. If you have shirts that are very sheer and very, very stretchy, Pellon 911FF is ideal, but it is a bit too heavy and stiff for regular T-shirts. I will have a samples of each type of interfacing as well as samples of fused T-shirts if you wish to see and touch first before purchasing your interfacing.

Office supplies:

- 1/4" graph paper
- Ruler
- Pencil and pen/marker
- Scotch tape, removable tape, or repositionable glue runner or dots
- Paper scissors
- Post-it notes or scrap paper

- Calculator you will need a calculator that has a square root function key.
- Lap top (optional) if you have a lap top and are familiar with Excel, feel free to load the Excel "Layout Counting Chart" spreadsheet (you'll find the Excel document attached to the e-mail from the store) and bring it along for use in calculations. Otherwise, you can use a calculator in class, or work on the spreadsheet on your computer at home after taking the class.

T-shirts for your quilt - Be sure all shirts have been washed or prewashed - there is nothing worse than smelly T-shirt fumes wafting up when you are fusing the interfacing! Do not use fabric softener or dryer sheets when washing and drying as these products may leave a coating on the shirts that can interfere with fusing. A number of students have found that Norwex's laundry detergent does a good job of removing odor and stains. Norwex's Stain Remover and Odour Elimator work well for tough stains and super smelly shirts.

How many T-shirts do I need to make a quilt?

Below is a chart to give you an idea of *approximately* how many shirts you may need:

	Size	Number of T-shirts
Lap	48x48"	15-20
Large Lap	52x64"	18-25
Multi Use	60x72"	20-30
Twin	60x84"	30-40
Full	84x92"	40-50
Queen	92x100"	50-60
King	100x112"	60-80

I would encourage you to at least skim through the *Make a Too Cool Style T-shirt Quilt* book before class. Keep in mind that although this class is based on the "Too Cool" method, we will not be following all the recommendations outlined in the book. We will be using traditional acrylic rotary cutting rulers, not plexiglass rulers as the book directs.

*Note - Class time will be spent on preparing your quilt blocks and figuring out the layout. It is very unlikely that we would get to the sewing stage of the quilt, so there is no need to bring a sewing machine or basic sewing kit along unless you wish to do so.

Any questions??!! Feel free to text, e-mail or call me. Looking forward to introducing this "Too Cool" method to you!

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