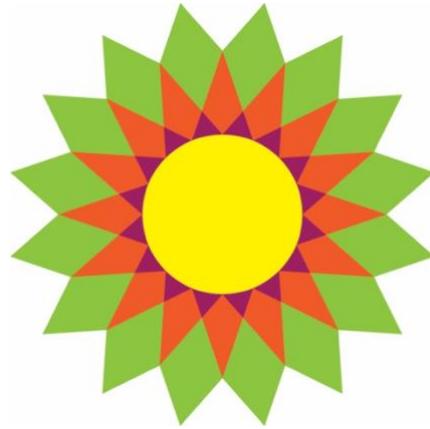


**Class: 4**  
**Skill Level: Intermediate**  
**Class Title: Sunflowers**  
**Cost: \$75**  
**Instructor: Robin Long**  
**Room: North 3A**  
**Maximum Students: 18**  
**Date: Monday, June 9**  
**Time: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm**  
**Email: [robinruth@rocketmail.com](mailto:robinruth@rocketmail.com)**



### **Class Description**

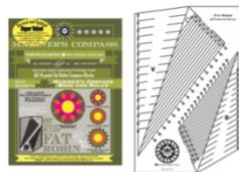
Create your very own stunning sunflower garden using Robin Ruth Design's innovative STRIP-PIECING method and rulers for making this variation on the mariner's compass block. In this technique class, we'll spend the day creating Fat Robin Sunflowers for your own fabulous garden. Students will learn this raw edge appliqué method for finishing their blocks and I will also give ideas for shaping these flowers into other shapes and embellishing these gardens with other appliqué shapes (including bias stems and shaped leaves).

**We will make a 14" Sunflower block in class and then move on to making a 12" Sunflower block. There are supplemental video tutorials and projects for this block that students can also access before and after class.**



Colorful Sunflower Garden Quilt

**For class you will need the**  
Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler Combo



Fat Robin 16-Point  
Mariner's Compass  
Book/Ruler Combo  
\$49.95

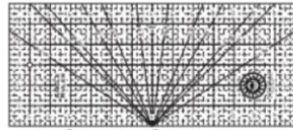
*You can wait until the day of class to purchase  
your Fat Robin 16-Point  
Book & Ruler Combo*

All the instructions you need to prepare for class are contained in this Supply List.

Please do not purchase my products on Amazon as I do not sell on Amazon. Even though it may say Robin Ruth Design, these are third party sellers and I cannot guarantee what you will receive.

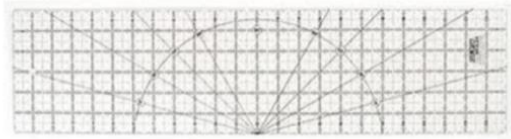
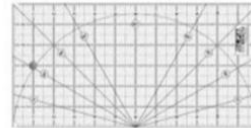
## Supplies Needed for Class

- Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass Book/Ruler
- Regular sewing supplies (sewing machine, cutting mat and rotary cutter, thread, scissors, pins, ironing station - if allowed)
- Straight edge ruler with 45° angle for Skinny Robin and 60° angle for Fat Robin. Most straight edge rulers come with these angles located on the ends of the ruler. These rulers will work but it will be a little easier if you have a ruler with the angles in the middle. Try my Angle Ruler of Olfa makes one that you might already have. Rulers with the angles on the end will still work, but sometimes a little more difficult to use.

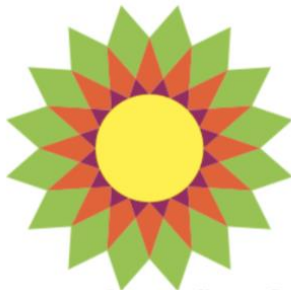


Robin Ruth Design  
Angle Ruler  
6"x14"

Olfa Rulers  
6"x12"  
6"x24"

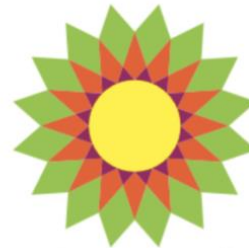


- Please have the following cut for class. **Full width** fabric strips (42") in high contrast fabrics - **your choice of fabric (see below)**. This is a good way to use up some leftover strips from another project. The colors listed in parantheses are so you can see where they will appear in your blocks.



**Fat Robin - 14" Sunflower**

- Background fabric (lime green) 2 strips x 3¼"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) 2 strips x 2½"
- Inside Point 2 fabric (purple) 1 strip x 2"
- Two 8" squares for center (yellow)



**Fat Robin - 12" Sunflower**

- Background fabric (lime green) 2 strips x 3"
- Point 1 fabric (orange) 2 strips x 2¼"
- Inside Point 2 fabric (purple) 1 strip x 1¾"
- Two 7" squares for center (yellow)

## Homework

Please sew your Background and Point 1 strips together following the instructions on Page 3 of this supply list (from the **Mariner's Compass Chapter**- the first chapter - of your Fat Robin 16-Point Mariner's Compass ) as shown in **Step 3 only**. You will offset your strips and then sew the strips together using a true (not scant) quarter inch seam. Please **DO NOT PRESS** the strip sets as shown in Step 4 as I would like to go over that in class. Cut the two freezer paper circle templates (used for the centers of your blocks) on the last page of these instructions.



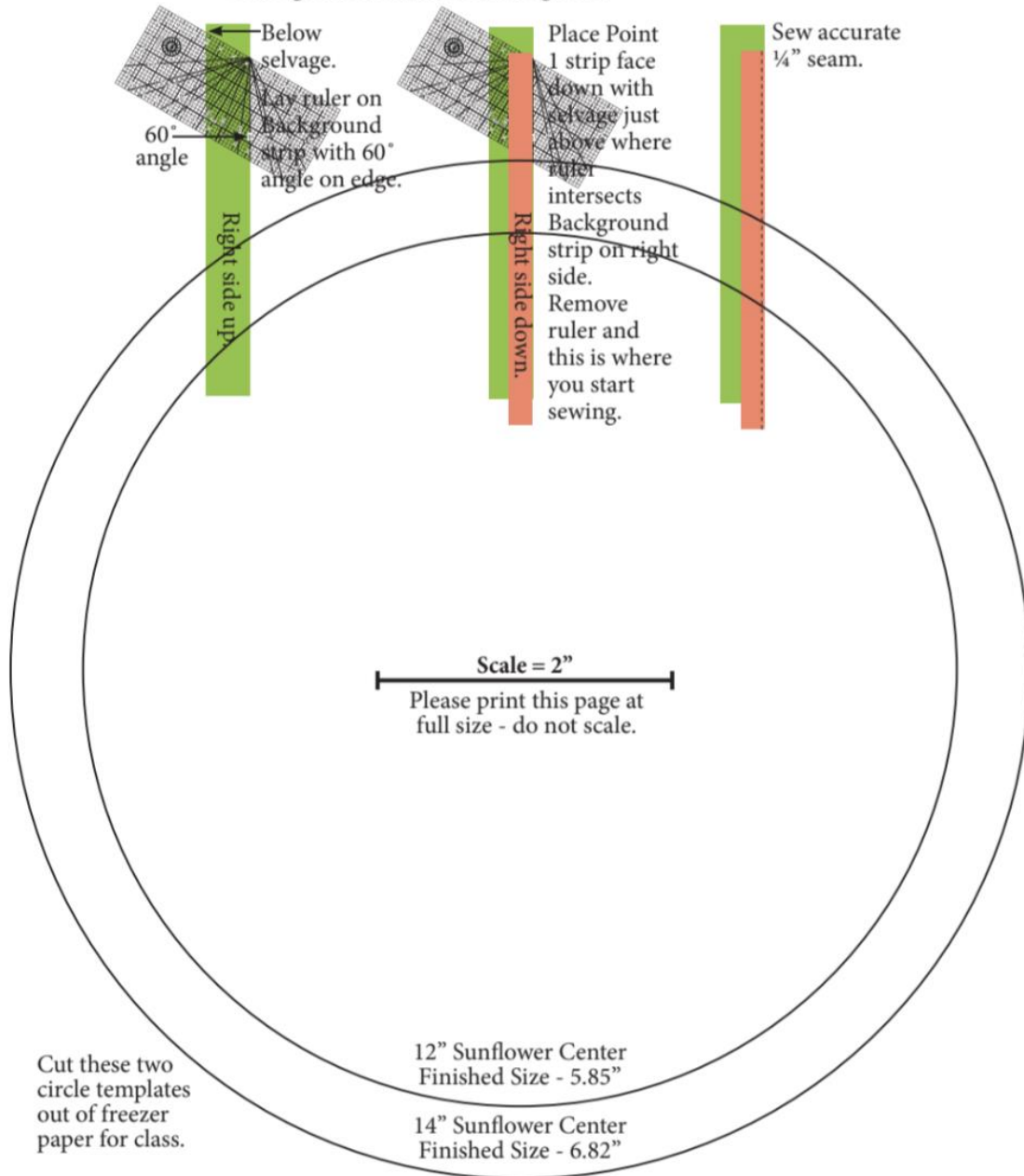
**Sunflower Love**  
42"x54"

Example of another project you can make using these strip-pieced sunflower blocks.  
Free Download on my website!

Instructions below found in the Fat Robin book on Page 4 of the Mariner's Compass (1st) chapter.  
 The instructions below are shown so you won't need to have your book/ ruler combo until class.

### Homework Instructions for Fat Robin

- Sew **Point 1** strip(s) onto the **Background** strip(s), right sides together, offsetting by 60°, and using a ¼" seam allowance. Offsetting the strips allows you to get more units out of a strip set, and the amount that has been figured in the above cutting table.



Cut these two circle templates out of freezer paper for class.

## A few tips for a successful class!

This class is jampacked with information and moves along at a quick pace. You should have several piecing projects under your belt before taking this class. This technique is not difficult, but different than traditional square and triangle projects, so having a little more experience is helpful. If you have good rotary cutting skills and can sew an accurate  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, you will have a great time!

Please **be ready to sew** at the advertised time.

Have all of your strips, squares, and freezer paper templates cut **before** class, and do the **Homework** listed on the Supply List.

Make sure your machine is in **good working order**. Sew a couple of seams and make sure everything is working properly before class. Don't forget to make sure you have a **full bobbin**.

Please take some time before class to make sure you have the proper machine set up to make **accurate  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams - I recommend a true  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam rather than a scant**. To get accurate sized blocks, it is imperative that you sew with an accurate  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance and it will save you much time and energy if you already have this figured out. I will also work with you during class to make sure your seams will help you achieve accurate finished blocks.

I **encourage** you to go to my website at [www.robinruthdesign.com](http://www.robinruthdesign.com) and watch some of the video tutorials to get yourself more familiar with the techniques. You can see some video shorts (animated overviews of the process) at my Intro Video tab, and real time video tutorials (sit with me and we make a block together in real time) at my Video Tutorials tab.

All of my videos are accessible on my **FREE Web App** - type *app.robinruthdesign.com* into any computer or mobile device browser for access to all my blocks, videos, a block design feature, and a strips calculator.

Come ready to learn lots and have some fun doing it!

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