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Tools & Supplies



A list of all of the tools and
materials that I use in my studio

fabric & notions

Fabric
400 Bleached Desized Mercerized Cotton Print Cloth from Testfabrics Inc. http://testfabrics.com/

Wool felt
National Non-wovens wool felt. 65/35 rayon/wool blend. You can find this (or the 80/20 blend) at Joannes Fabric Stores or online at http://nationalnonwovens.com/products.htm or ask your local quilt shop to carry it for you.

Thread
I prefer to work with 100% cotton thread and my favorites are Aurifil and Superior Threads. I use Superior Threads monofilament in my bobbins.

Mistyfuse
The only fusible I use and recommend! Find it at most local quilt and fabric shops or online at http://mistyfuse.com/

Parchment paper
I use Reynolds brand parchment paper when working with Mistyfuse. Find it at most grocery stores and Target stores.

Goddess Sheets
Teflon® coated non stick fiberglass pressing sheet for using with Mistyfuse. Find it at most local quilt and fabric shops or online at http://mistyfuse.com/

Transdoodle
A non-waxy, non-staining, reusable, chalky-color transfer paper for clear guidelines that never set. Find it at most local quilt and fabric shops or online at http://mistyfuse.com/

Iron off Chalk
I fill my chalk wheel with this iron off chalk to make it easy to mark quilting lines. http://suepellanddesigns.com/

Procion Dye & Soda Ash
Procion dyes are a cold-water, fiber reactive dye. They bond to the fibers of plant based fabrics such as cotton, linen, silk and rayon and are lightfast and washable. Soda ash is the chemical that permanently fixes the dye to the fiber.

Dharma Trading: http://www.dharmatrading.com/
ProChemical and Dye: http://prochemicalanddye.com

Color Magnet
Jacquard Color Magnet is a dye attractant that attracts more dye where it is applied, creating two-toned effect. Get it at Dharma Trading: http://www.dharmatrading.com/

Silkscreens
My favorite sources for pre-made screens.

Lyric Kinard
http://lyrickinard.com/ready-made-thermofax-screens/

Terri Stegmiller
http://stegart.blogspot.com/p/thermofax-screens.html

Paint
My go to paints are Golden brand Fluid Acrylics and Jacquard brand paints. You can find both at most major craft retailers or online at Dharma Trading or Dick Blick.

Dharma Trading: http://www.dharmatrading.com/
Dick Blick: http://www.dickblick.com/
Jacquard: http://jacquardproducts.com/

Textile foil
I use both textile foil and metal leaf in my surface design projects. You can find it in most craft stores or from these sources:
Textile foil: http://lauramurraydesigns.com/foil/
Metal leaf: http://www.dickblick.com/categories/goldleaf/

Books by Sue Bleiweiss
Easy Fabric Dyeing: solids & tone on tone
Color it! buildings, neighborhoods & skylines
Color it! nature & animals
Colorful Fabric Collage: sketch, fuse, quilt
The Sketchbook Challenge: Techniques, Prompts and Inspiration for Achieving your Creative Goals

Television & Web show appearances
The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims - ep 1608
Quilting Arts TV 2 episodes in series 1200

DVDs
Quilting Arts Workshop DVD: Coloring Book Fabric Collage

Sizzix die cutter
I have a Big Shot, Big Shot Pro and an eclips2 machine http://www.sizzix.com/

Iron
My current favorite iron is the Panasonic NI-E200T Steam/Dry Iron with U-Shape Titanium Coated Soleplate that I bought from amazon.com I like it because it has a non stick soleplate which makes it super easy to clean. I never use it with water in it.

Scissors
My favorite scissors are the Kai 10" professional shears
http://kaiscissors.com/kai-7250-10-inch-professional-shears/