

Sewing Machine Intermediate Techniques

Course Code	Venue & Contact Details	
MM599BDA	Venue	Adult and Community Centre Meadowbank
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Day	Times	Start date	End date	No of Weeks	Fee
Friday	12.30-3pm	19.11.2021	10.12.2021	4	£64 /*Free

**If you are unemployed, looking for work, and are in receipt of a means tested benefit, you do not have to pay the course fees. You will need to sign a self-declaration form stating that you are looking for a job and provide supporting evidence.*

**If you are in low paid employment and you earn less than £10.85p/h or £21,157.59 annual gross salary, you do not have to pay the course fees. You will need to provide proof of income, for example, this could be a wage slip within 3 months of the course start date, or a current employment contract, which states gross monthly/annual wages.*

About the course

This course is part of our creative specialist programme designed to enable learners to build sewing machine skills so to develop their practice in textiles and applied arts. Once you have completed this course you might wish to continue your sewing practice on other fashion or sewing courses, or through a Level 2 qualification in Creative Arts to gain professional skills.

On this course you will add to your functional sewing machine skills with specialist techniques that will truly enable you to undertake versatile sewing projects, such as garments (trousers, skirts, dresses) and decorative textile pieces. You will learn more about different types of fabrics and how to adjust the machine accordingly. This course is technical and you will mainly be doing exercises and complete sewing samples, and will apply your learning in one simple practical project. All samples will be made using either plain cotton fabric or jersey.

What will I learn?

After this course you will be able to:

- Insert and stitch a *lapped zipper*
- Measure and stitch a buttonhole with button
- Make and use bias tape to cover straight and curved edges
- Stitch a patch pocket with flap
- Stitch a hidden pocket, within a seam
- Use an overlocker machine
- Use the sewing machine to stitch straight and curved seams in elastic fabrics
- Use and care for the sewing machine and other tools and equipment in a healthy and safe manner. Tools include scissors, measuring tape, pins, needles, unpicker, iron and pressing tools, tailors chalk.

What are the entry requirements?

- To enrol on this course, you should have completed the course Sewing Machine Advanced
 - We use Google Suite for Education to record your learning journey. If you are a new learner with us, we will create an account for you. Details will be sent to your personal email so please check your inbox and spam regularly prior to course start.
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What do I need to bring with me?

- Resources will be provided
 - You may wish to bring a piece of paper and a pen to take notes
 - *Please note that you cannot bring your own sewing machine to class, since this is not PAT tested with us.*
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How will my learning be assessed?

This is a non-accredited course with the intent to benefit lifelong learning. Your tutor will give you regular verbal and written feedback to support your progression. You will submit your course work and track your learning in Google Classroom. You will participate in group discussions and receive guidance.

To successfully complete the course your attendance should be a minimum of 85% and course work should be completed by the end of the course. **Please note that the first session is an induction to the course and the centre, so it is therefore essential that you attend.** If you for any reason are unable to attend, please let us know and ensure that you read through the induction slides located in your Google Classroom and complete any related tasks.

What can I do after completing this course?

- After this course, we recommend that you continue learning on Sewing Machine Intermediate, to develop functional skills for using a sewing machine
- At the end of the course your tutor will advise you on your possible next steps.

- You can call us to find out about upcoming courses on 020 8583 6000

Information, advice and guidance for employment

- Call 020 8583 6174 to speak to an advisor
 - Email work@hounslow.gov.uk
 - Visit <http://www.hace.ac.uk/employment-support>
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