

# Mastering the Mariner's Compass III : Supply List

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Learn the secrets of drafting a mariner's compass in a circle, oval and off-center designs with plenty of time to develop variations on your design. Become versed in a variety of hand and machine piecing techniques. Convert your compass into a paper foundation pattern. Accurate piecing and the proper placement of value will have you setting sail with confidence!

Mechanical pencil and eraser  
Tracing paper  
"C-Thru" ruler: 18"  
Drawing paper: 11" x 14"  
Compass  
Graph paper: 1 sheet  
Pencils: red, blue and green  
Sense of adventure

Basic sewing kit  
Rotary cutter, ruler and mat (small size)  
Thread: 100% cotton SEWING, to match fabric  
Scotch tape

Fabric: Contrast is the most important aspect of choosing fabric for a Mariner's Compass block. Choose the background fabric first and make sure the fabrics chosen for the points can be seen against it. Remember that as images approach the horizon, the colors become lighter and more gray in the distance. In this case, the horizon is our background fabric.

Background: 1/4 yard  
Small points: 1/4 yard light  
NW, NE, SW and SE points: 1/4 yard light medium  
N, S, E, W, split points: 1/4 yard medium  
1/4 yard dark medium

**\*Bring extra fabrics to play with.** Remember Border prints give beautiful effects.

Sewing machine: in good working order, guide book  
Extension cord and multiple socket outlet strip  
Iron and Board  
Spray starch to share

