

# Workshop Programme

Winter/Spring 2026



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## Beginners/Refreshers

*Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January 10am to 1pm (£30)*

This workshop covers using paper patterns and sewing seams and hems. You'll make samples to take away and refer to so you can make lots more at home. Once you know the basics, you'll have the confidence to develop your skills at your own pace.



## Artspira Demonstration

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 10.30am to 11.30am (free)*

Find out what you can do with the Artspira app and your Brother embroidery machine.



## How to Use Brother ScanNCut for Applique

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 12noon to 1pm (free)*

A chance to see how to combine design files to cut shapes and finish with applique.

## Getting the Most from your Sewing Machine

*Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 10am to 12noon (£30)*

This workshop will help you to understand how to adjust setting to achieve the stitches you need and offer solutions to some common problems. Bring your machine along and find out more.

## Cover Stitch Demonstration

*Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 10.30am (free)*

Come along for an hour and pick up some tips on using a cover stitch machine.



## Difficult Fabrics Demonstration

*Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February (10.30am to 11.30am (£10)*

Enjoy refreshments while learning about working with difficult fabrics. Pick up some vital tips before embarking on sewing with stretchy, silky, slippery and sheer fabrics.

## Zip Tips

*Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2pm to 4pm (£25)*

You'll find all the tips you need to insert zips neatly and easily in this workshop. We'll cover standard and concealed/invisible zips and you'll take home samples to refer to when you need them. Watch a demonstration of inserting a fly front zip too.



## Children's Class – Make a Chef's Apron

*Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 10.30am to 12 noon (£25)*

Bring your young person along to make an apron (8+) and inspire them to do lots more sewing through the remainder of half term.

## Creative Sewing Weekend

*Friday 27<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March (£445 to £625)*

Join me at New Place Hotel in Hampshire for a fun weekend of overlocking with good company, entertainment and delicious food.

## Chanel-style Jacket

*Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 10am to 4pm (£85)*

A Chanel jacket is not made with the usual interfacings and canvases found in a tailored jacket - it is a fascinating method of construction. Make half a jacket to learn the techniques then use it as a sample to help when making your very own chic Chanel-style jacket at home.



*If you can't wait until April, take a look at  
my online Craftsby class*

*<https://www.craftsy.com/class/the-iconic-tweed-jacket>*

## The British Quilt and Stitch Village

*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April*

We always love the Uttoxeter Quilt Show. Come and see us with our Brother and Baby Lock machines, watch the demonstrations and take advantage of the special offers.

## Get to Know your Overlocker

*Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 10am to 1pm (£50)*

Whether you are thinking of buying one or you've had one for years and just never got to grips with it, this overlocking workshop is for you. We will look at maintenance, threading, tension adjustments and achieving balanced stitches plus rolled hems, lettuce edges and corners.

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## **Trouser Tricks**

*Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10am to 4pm (£85)*

The first part of the day is spent learning how to adjust a basic trouser pattern to make it more like your personal shape. The remainder of the day is all about the techniques including pockets, fly zip insertion, a two-piece waistband, belt loops and hems. You'll make a standard sized pair of trousers to learn the techniques and use as a working sample for when you get home to make your own.



## **Brother Special Event**

*Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May*

Come and see the latest machines and find out which one would suit you best. Whether you want a starter sewing machine or one for embroidery, overlocking or cover stitching our Brother expert, Tricia, will be here to demonstrate them and answer your questions. Don't forget the new fabric and sublimation printers and ScanNCut too – perfect for expressing your creativity!

Tea, cake and special offers too.

*To book a place on any of our sewing sessions, or for more information, please contact us:  
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*As well as sewing workshops you'll find haberdashery items and a growing range of fabrics in the studio.*

*We are also authorised dealers for 'Brother' and 'Baby Lock' sewing machines, embroidery machines and overlockers so come and visit and we can help you to find the perfect model to suit you.*

*We also repair and service sewing/embroidery machines and overlockers*

## **Opening Hours**

*We are open most days between 10am and 4pm but please ring ahead if you are coming specially, in case we are away collecting new supplies or running a workshop. However, if you are passing and the lights are on, we're open and you are welcome to call in. We hope to see you soon.*

To Leek (23-16)



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