



# BARGELLO TWISTS & TURNS QUILT

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## Class Description:

If you've already mastered simple bargello then why not move on to twists and turns in your bargello quilts? Emma will have a selection of designs and will also show you how to draw your own charts to make your own unique designs. To get the most from this class you should already have an understanding of simple Bargello or have already made a simple Bargello quilt or cushion.

## Fabric Requirements

Please see following page/s for requirements and preparation needed before the class.

## Equipment:

- Rotary cutter, cutting mat & acrylic ruler
- Sewing machine (don't forget foot pedal, power lead and accessories e.g. feet, bobbins, needles plus your manual).
- ¼" foot for your sewing machine.
- Thread for piecing (neutral colours are best)
- Basic sewing kit (scissors, hand needles, thread snips, unpicker, pins, etc.)
- Notepad and pen

## Please remember:

- We have 6 sewing machines (Janome M100 QDC) for hire; if you would like to hire one for this class, please do book one in advance – they are available on a first come, first served basis.
- The windows may be opened periodically during the class to allow for adequate ventilation.
- To bring your own equipment where possible.
- Please read the terms and conditions (under "Classes and Demonstrations" on our website).

## **Bargello Twists and Turns Quilt (approx. 45” by 54”)**

**To get the most from this class you should already have an understanding of simple Bargello or have already made a simple Bargello quilt.** Emma will also show you how to draw your own charts to make your own unique designs.



### **For the quilt top you will need**

30cm of 20 different fabrics split 12 (greens/aqua/blue in photo) and 8 (oranges in photo)  
1.2m border fabric

### **General Class Requirements**

Sewing Machine (including manual and any feet you have – the ¼” option is important)

Power cord and foot pedal for the machine (yes, they have been forgotten!)

Thread for piecing (neutral colours are best)

Rotary Cutter and 24” Ruler

Cutting Mat

General Sewing Kit (pins, scissors, notepad, pen etc.)

## **Preparation needed before class:**

Lay out your fabrics in order from 1 to 20 – I had the oranges as 1 to 8 and the aqua/green/blues as 9 to 20. If you have yours the other way (1 to 12 and 13 to 20) you will get a different pattern to the one above. From each of your 20 fabrics cut 6 strips 1½” by the width of fabric.

Make a ‘fabric map’ as you cut your fabrics – snip a small piece off one end of one of each colour strip and attach to the fabric map at the bottom of these notes.

### **Sewing strip sets – avoiding Bananas!**

It is important that you sew alternate rows in opposite directions otherwise your rows will start to curve one way and resemble a banana. There is no cure for this other than to unpick and re sew – I find putting a pin in one end helps me remember which way to sew the rows.

Sew 6 identical strip sets with fabric 1 at the top and 20 at the bottom. The quickest and easiest way to do this is to sew your strips together in pairs in the order of the fabric chart. Sew row 1 and 2 together, 3 and 4 together, 5 and 6 together and so on until you have 10 sets.

Now sew 1/2 to 3/4 starting at the opposite end of the strips (see comment above about bananas!). You will need to pin the strips from the level end as not all your strips will be the same size.

Repeat with 5/6 and 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12, 13/14 and 15/16, 17/18 and 19/20

Continue sewing strips together until you have a set of all 20 sewn together. Repeat with the remaining five sets.

Press the seams towards fabric 1 on three of the sets and towards fabric 20 on the other three sets.

You will now be ready to get started straight away at class. If you are unable to do this preparation before class, don't worry, you will just need to spend some time making some of your strip sets at the beginning of class.

## Fabric Map

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