



The Fat Quarterly

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The cozy quilting store at the Jersey shore.

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Sew, What's New at the Shop?



Ah, Summer! Those lazy, hazy, crazy days have arrived! Whether you're enjoying the warmth working in the garden, relaxing at the beach, lounging at the pool, or enjoying vacation time with the family, be sure to put aside some time for our lovely projects during this season. We'll not only celebrate the beautifully bright colors of summer, but we'll get a head start on the arrival of autumn's glory, too.

It's time for our annual ANNIVERSARY SALE ! Join us as we celebrate our 8th year! Shop Tues., August 3rd to Sat., August 7th for 20% off all fabric, books & patterns. This is a great opportunity to fill your library with ideas for future projects and to fill your stash with the fabrics to sew them!



As backyard gardens bask in the bright sunshine and flourish during the warm weather, blossoms continue to grow in quilt projects at the store,

too! *Scattered Flowers* from Debbie Mumm's Home Happenings and *Hollyhocks* from the "U Can 2" pattern will keep those beautiful colors blooming indoors as well as out! Cheerful daisy appliqués are tossed among patchwork squares in the Debbie Mumm project. The "U Can 2" pattern offers you a choice of methods for sewing as well as a variety of layouts and quilt sizes with only two easy blocks. Our Jersey Suedes offer you endless possibilities for the flowers of your dreams. Come and create a lovely lap quilt to keep you cozy and remind you of the summer blooms when the weather gets chilly.

Delightful, inviting, enchanting, tempting, and *charming*: all words to describe the charm quilts we have on our schedule! Create a sunburst for your walls with *August Sun*, or prepare for the lovely colors of autumn with *September Leaves*, both easy piecing projects from Simply Charming Seasons. The well-dressed table in your kitchen or dining room could always use a new runner to adorn it. Combine charm squares with a bit of whimsy to create the perfect accessory! Add some daisy or sunflower petals to a bright selec-





tion of triangles in a *Party Time Runner*, or use a variety of patterns and colors to create a *Patchwork Mosaic*. Either or both of these would be perfect for transitioning from summer into the early days of autumn. Both runners come from the book [On the Run](#).

When the days start getting shorter and the temperature begins to cool, thoughts turn to pumpkins, and the beautiful colors of autumn. We have projects to whet your appetite for this bountiful time of year. The *Cascading Stars* pattern creates an amazing illusion of colors, perfect for the oranges, yellows, reds, greens, and browns of the upcoming season, and it is a perfect project for quilters of all skills levels. Debbie Mumm offers a small wall hanging of *Pumpkins In a Row*, a grouping of four different-sized pumpkins surrounded by a patchwork border. Traditional fall colors are highlighted with a simple nine-patch in her *Black & Patch* lap quilt that will take you from early fall right through to Halloween and Thanksgiving. Pumpkins also are featured in *Pumpkin Patch Visitors*, a combination of pieced blocks and appliquéd pumpkins surrounded by curious crows. And when you're ready to change your previous table runners for a new one, try *Autumn Stars*, worked in either autumn colors or your own favorite combinations. Both of these projects are from the book: [Lots of Scraps It's Time To Quilt](#).



are beautiful and easy to sew. Several of the ladies are adding the next blocks to their bed quilts while others are working on various seasonal wall hangings (samples are on display). Come spend a Saturday or two with us and become inspired to sew your own beautiful quilt.

We are continuing to sew and collect pillowcases for the **American Patchwork & Quilting** "Make a Pillowcase, Make a Difference" quilting challenge. Please join us in this worthwhile project as we march towards the goal of 1,000,000 pillowcases for children in Monmouth and Ocean counties' hospitals. Sew some cases with us or drop off those you make at home.

Our popular **QUILTERS' FEST** continues every Friday evening with four hours of uninterrupted sewing time for only \$10! Stop in to sew, chat, browse, and purchase. Hours are 6:00-10:00 p.m.



GOT QUESTIONS OR IDEAS? There is always someone at the store to help you with your sewing and quilting projects. We welcome your suggestions and ideas for anything special you would like to do as a future project or class.



Our *Thimleberries* Block of the Month (BLOCK BY BLOCK TO BEAUTIFUL QUILTS, book available in the shop) continues on the second Saturday of each month. Lynette Jensen's blocks

Our next issue of *The Fat Quarterly* will be ready for October, along with a new set of Saturday classes and projects. Till then, we look forward to seeing you at the store. Happy sewing!

