

SECRET GARDEN with Robyn Alexander

Code: RA 101M **DATE:** 9 – 11 May

Duration: 3 days **Skill level:** some hand stitchery knowledge desirable.

Sewing Machine: Basic ZIG ZAG

This is the time to let the little girl out to play, wonder and let the colour do the work. Allow your imagination to run wild as you create a magical secret garden. You will explore a range of techniques and colour including:

- Hand needle felting
- Paint & play with tyvek paper
- Lace fabrics all create different surface and form
- Appliqué beautiful hand dyed laces
- Embroider delightful garden with different threads, ribbons and a few surprises
- Dabble with simple machine embroidery
- Finish with beading.
- Approximate size: 25 x 30 cm

Essential Kit: \$140 (not including charms, \$154 including charms).

WORKSHOP REQUIREMENTS

Preparation

- Must have prepared before class – a piece of calico stretched tight in a stretcher frame leaving a working area in the centre of minimum 37 x 28 cm
- Block of foam 20x20x5 – high density upholstery foam. Provided by tutor \$6.00 – **can be ordered when registering – please pay tutor.**
- A multiple hand-needle felter – **can be ordered \$33.00 when registering.**
- Beading tray or cloth – something to stop beads rolling away as you pick them up with your needle.
- Fine needle nose pliers
- Sharp embroidery scissors, dress making scissors, strong parer scissors, pins
- Personal embroidery items eg thimble, special light. Magnifier, needle threader
- Bobbin of dark green Nymoo beading thread.
- Needles Chenille needles size 20 x 22 Milliner/straw size3. Short beading needle
- Crewel size 8 (general sewing needle.
- Low voltage table Lamp (optional)

Please note: Colour Streams will have most of these goods for sale in the Be Creative Supply Shop at the retreat. www.colourstreams.com.au

