

# Beginner's Guide To Tool Selection

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## Set Up Your Work Station

A comfortable, well-lit environment always helps the quilting experience be more enjoyable. A space that is well-lit, including natural light from a bright window, is recommended. Choose a comfortable sewing chair that is adjustable, an appropriate height surface for cutting and an ironing surface that is near by.

## Choosing the Right Tools

Having the right tool for the job is always the best practice and quilting is no exception. Here is a list of quilting essentials needed to easily and successfully complete a 3-yard quilt. Visit our "Notions and Tools" page at [fabriccafe.com](http://fabriccafe.com) to see the products we offer.

- 24" self-healing cutting mat
- Rotary cutter (Olfa Ergonomic Rotary Cutter, Order #022124)
- 24" long, clear quilting ruler
- 12" square, clear quilting ruler
- Seam ripper
- Fabric scissors
- Zip-close bags
- Ink pen or Sharpie®
- Iron
- Ironing surface
- Spray sizing (Mary Ellen's Best Press, Order #022074)
- Sewing Edge Purple Strip (Sewing Edge by Qtools, Order #021370)
- Straight pins (Magic Pins, Order #022026)
- Binding clips (Quilters Perfect Klip, Order #022070)
- Binding needles (Binding Needles, Order #022020)