

Embroidery Machine (Baby Lock Pathfinder BLS3)

What to bring:

- Fabric for your project
- Stabilizer for your project
 - See “Floriani Stabilizer Quick Reference Guide”:
<https://www.rnkistributing.com/resources/workbooks-guides/floriani-stabilizer-guide.pdf>
 - See The Embroidery Store “The Ultimate Guide to Embroidery Stabilizers”
<https://www.embstore.com/ultimate-guide-embroidery-stabilizers/>
- Embroidery Thread
 - 40 weight (thinner than regular thread)
 - Polyester or Rayon
 - Suggested brands: Floriani, Madiera, Robinson-Anton, Sulky
(Note: Coats and Clark is not recommended.)
- Embroidery Design (optional)
 - Must be a PES file type
 - Embroidery Designs <https://www.embroiderydesigns.com/>
 - Embroidery Library <https://www.emblibrary.com/>
 - Etsy <https://www.etsy.com/>

What is provided:

- Machine, Needles
- Bottom Bobbin Thread in white or black
- Stock Embroidery Designs and Fonts
- Hoops: 8"x12" or 5"x7"
- Wonder Clips, Scissors, Rotary Cutters, Rulers, and Cutting Mats

Instructions for use:

- **Call (330-725-0588 x5017) or email (makerspace@mccl.info) to schedule your initial training appointment.**
 - Training includes viewing the “Love of Knowledge: Getting to Know Your Baby Lock Pathfinder Embroidery Machine - Part 1” (skip video between 5:20 – 24:15) (40 minutes) onsite while at the Family History & Learning Center.
- Optional: Review information at <https://www.babylock.com/machines/single-needle-embroidery/pathfinder>, under “Manuals, Updates, & Brochures”



- Interested in embroidering on apparel? Check out these helpful YouTube videos:
 - Embroidering on T-Shirts - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V_fUz_g7d4 (4 minutes)
 - Embroidering on Pique Polo Shirts - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ttZPJxzN4kA> (3 minutes)
 - How to Hoop & Embroider On a Onesie - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5kjSv11-dRQ> (3 minutes)

- Optional Training Videos:
 - “Love of Knowledge: Getting to Know Your Baby Lock Pathfinder Embroidery Machine - Part 2” (1 hour)
 - “Love of Knowledge: Hoop and Stabilize”
 - “Love of Knowledge: Embroidery – Get Started”
 - “Love of Knowledge: Embroidery Recipe for Success”
 - “Love of Knowledge: A Stabilizer Conversation”

Additional Tips:

- When starting the embroidery machine, the computer screen displays “commercials.” Touch anywhere on the screen to get to the home screen. From there, select the “Embroidery Edit” option.
- Full bottom bobbins are in a small, white box on the first shelf of the sewing supplies cupboard. They are available in white or black thread.
- Scissors, rotary cutter, and wonder clips are also on the first shelf of the sewing supplies cupboard.
- Various embroidery machine tools (including extra needles) and the quick-start guide are in the “Embroidery Machine Tools” bag.
- The complete manual is in the sewing supplies cupboard.
- Coats and Clarks embroidery thread does NOT work well with this machine. It is NOT recommended to use this brand, as it jams frequently.
- When removing your thread from the machine, it is the best practice to snip your thread at the spool, then pull the thread out through the needle. (That is, do not pull the thread up through the machine.)
- When putting materials into the embroidery machine hoop, don’t overtighten as it can warp (and permanently damage) the hoop.

