



December 2021

On the Road

Tis the season ... Where am I? It depends on the day. I'm somewhere between Chicago, the great plains of Nebraska, and Denver. It's sunny, over 70 degrees, and Christmas music is playing on the local radio.

While in Nebraska, I dropped by my cousin's house to say hi. Debra is an enthusiastic, avid, addictive, and obsessive quilter. All these adjectives are fitting. Her workmanship is beyond skillful, let's say expert level. I asked her to select three favorite quilts to share with you. I love the one above. Pics of the other two quilts with close-ups are posted on my personal blog at www.SewMoreStitches.com.

So, this is your reminder if you are quilting or sewing for the upcoming holidays, better scoot along. The days are flying by.

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Rhonda showing Debra Bauerle's quilt, *Bringing Home the Tree* designed by Buttermilk Basin. Quilted by Jennifer Grove, 2019.

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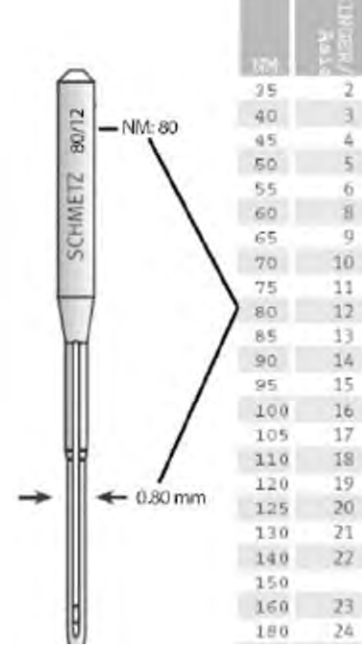


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Needle Fact: The 80/40 Rule, What Needle Size Do I Use?



The most popular thread used for all types of sewing, quilting, and crafting is a 40 weight thread. **When using a 40 weight thread, use a size 80/12 needle.**

If using a thread finer than a 40 weight, such as a 50 weight, use a smaller needle size such as 70/10.

Micro threads use needle size 65/9 or 60/8.

Again, using a 40 weight thread with a 80/12 needle as a benchmark, if using a heavier thread, move up at least one needle size.

If using a 30 weight thread, use a needle size larger than 80/12. Use size 90/14 or larger.



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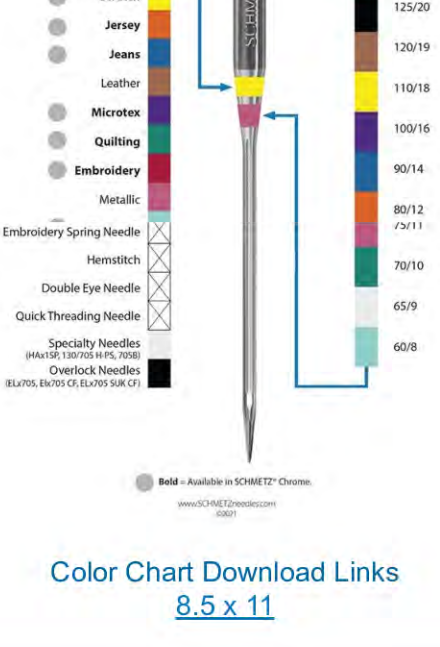
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