

**OPAL FEVER with Sue Dennis**  
**A project & technique workshop suitable for all skill levels- 2 days**

Australia's National gemstone the opal captures the imagination with mysterious depths of colour. Using oil sticks, Angelina fibres & appliqué you will be guided in the creation of your unique gemstones. This is your chance to make a small quilt featuring this colourful stone which has been used by Sue in a number of her quilts. "OPALS" was featured in Australian Patchwork & Quilting magazine Vol 13 No 5.

*Oil sticks & Angelina supplied- materials fee/person applies*

**REQUIREMENTS**

**Please note-** Photographs below are of the 2 workshop quilts Opal Fever #2 & Opal Necklace. While both patterns are supplied you will select 1 to stitch in class.

Both quilts finished size approximately 53cm W x 64cm L [21ins W x 25ins L]



**Fabric & Equipment**

- From 1m dark motley fabric, cut your background piece- 56cm x 67cm [22ins x 26ins] the leftover piece will be used for the binding.
- For the opals- 2 or 3 fat quarters multicoloured batik in warm colour way & 2 or 3 fat quarters multicoloured batik cool colours. Colourful fabric without a definite pattern works best
- 1m for backing & rod pocket
- Wadding [I prefer thin wadding] cut approximately the same size as background fabric
- A small 15cm [6in] square practise quilt sandwich of fabric used in your quilt
- 50 cm fusible web,
- Digital camera or spyglass [door peep hole- available hardware shops] if you have either
- Small roll of greaseproof paper [non-waxed lunch wrap], 3 sheets of A4 size computer copy paper for templates, notebook, pen & glue stick
- Appliqué mat or Glad bake [non-stick baking paper] disposable gloves for keeping hands clean when using oil sticks, wet wipes for hands, newspaper
- Cutting mat, rotary cutter & 24in quilt ruler, pins, scissors for paper & fabric
- Quilting gloves if you use them
- Quilt basting spray & mask- disposable OK. If allergic to spray- pin baste
- Chalk marker or soap sliver
- Iron & board
- Nametag & coffee mug

**SEWING MACHINE** & extension table, bobbins & machine quilting needle. Rayon or cotton thread to blend with your fabric or a shade darker. Your preferred bobbin thread for appliqué & quilting

Metafil needle- only if you are using metallic thread

**MACHINE FEET-** Zigzag foot, walking foot & darning foot for free motion work