

Butterfly in the Spreuer Garden ©2006

Class 12, Session D: Friday 1:30-5:00 PM

Instructor/Designer : Beth Robbins Keller

Instructor's Comments: I love working with Swiss Lace techniques. In 2006 I wasn't able to attend NAWW Convention so I just started practicing making spreuers with different colored straw. I challenged myself to design a piece with the spreuers and splits of straw. That is how "Butterfly in the Spreuer Garden" came to be.

Size of Project: 5" x 7"

Skill level : Beginner

Pre-requisites: N/A

What will be taught in class: 1 needle wantele with straw split, standard spreuer, right sided curly spreuer, veined leaf spreuer, Fleur di Leis spreuer, how to add on to a spreuer, glueing spreuers to a mat board

What needs to be done before coming to class: N/A

Suggested Wheat: Dyed rye straw and bleached rye straw. I buy my rye straw from " The Straw Shop" in CA.

Straws needed: 1/8" wide splits in the following colors and lengths: (These are the minimum lengths needed to complete the spreuers)

*1 - 12" black split for 1 needle wantele, * 2 - 6" orange, *2 -10" orange,* 9 -10" dark green, *1- 10" burgundy, *1- 12" burgundy, *4 - 8" bleached/natural,* 1- 12" bleached/natural, *3 - 22" bleached natural

Other supplies by instructor: *all straws needed, *5" x 7" mat board, *5" x 7" piece of manila folder with oval opening cut out. *Template for spreuer placement, *needle 1 ½" – 2" long to help finish spreuers

Instuctors note: I have some extra dog tooth combs students can use for class and they are for sale. PLEASE let me know if you need a dog tooth comb. Part of the reason for this class is to help beginners and others who are not familiar with making spreuers or who do not have a comb. If you have a comb but it isn't the measurements that are listed above, bring it and I can help adjust the patterns to fit you comb.

Supplies to bring: Dog tooth comb (9 tines = 1"), needle tool with 1 needle or 1 tapestry needle in a cork or wooden holder, tacky glue (I use Fast Grab), small narrow paintbrush for applying glue to spreuers. Ruler, container for soaking straw splits, tweezers for placing spreuers, Blue Painters tape

Materials Kit: Cost: \$15

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Kits are required if offered. Includes * items above.

Additional kits available—with prior notice by March 31

