

Rent the Simply Sixteen by Handi Quilter at Purely Patchwork  
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Renting the Simply Sixteen

Before you can rent the Simply Sixteen, you must complete a training session with a member of staff. The training session lasts 1 hour, costs £25 and includes all practice materials. At the end of the session you will be able to load your quilt sandwich on to the frame and move and reclamp it when you need to. Bring up the bobbin thread and be able to start and stop stitching and anchor threads. You will be able to use the groovy boards which have designs for you to follow and be able to use the laser stylus to quilt designs. You will have the chance to practice free motion designs and get the feel of the machine for free motion quilting.

When you rent the machine a member of staff will always be in the shop in case you have a problem but the training session is designed for you to get the best out of your rental by being confident in the basics of using the machine. You will be able to load your quilt with the easy to use clamps and get quilting without interruption. Please note that if six months passes between your lesson and renting the machine or between rentals then we will require you to take a half hour refresher lesson costing £15.



MACHINE FEATURES

- Ergonomic front handlebars with touchscreen control
- 1,800 stitches per minute
- Two modes of HQ stitch regulation: Precision and Cruise
- Consistent stitch quality from 4 to 18 stitches per inch
- Needle-stop positioning control

FRAME FEATURES

- Innovative quilt clamp management system
- Accommodates any size quilt
- 5-foot free-standing frame

For more information and to view useful how to videos of the  
Simply Sixteen visit  
[www.pinholequilting.co.uk/videos](http://www.pinholequilting.co.uk/videos)  
[www.handiquilter.com/videos](http://www.handiquilter.com/videos)

### What is included in my rental?

The Simply Sixteen costs £15 an hour or part hour to rent. At the start of your rental we will help you choose your thread from our selection of plain and variegated threads, and we will thread the machine and fill and load bobbins for you. We will then do some test stitching and establish good tension so that you are ready to quilt.

### How do I prepare my quilt?

Your quilt should be securely layered up with your wadding and backing fabric and basted together using 505 spray, tacking stitches or microstitch tacks. You cannot use pins or safety pins.

You need additional backing and wadding so that the quilt can be clamped to the frame and leave clearance for the machine to quilt right to the edge and to the top and bottom bars. In order to avoid wasting fabric and wadding, the best way to achieve this is to use fabric leaders. These are strips of fabric and wadding that can be tacked to your quilt sandwich and provide additional length and width so that you can stitch up to the edge of your quilt. We have 80 wide fabric leaders that can be attached to your quilt with microstitch tacks or you can tack on your own leaders in advance. If you wish to use leaders then you need to have approx 4 inches of spare wadding and backing on each side of the quilt. We will discuss this with you fully at your training session so that you understand how much clearance you need to leave around your quilt depending on how you want to quilt it.

### What kind of wadding can I use?

We would recommend a low loft, good quality cotton wadding such as Matilda's Own Cotton, Warm and White or good quality 80/20. If you prefer polyester wadding, Hobbs polydown is a recommended polyester wadding for the Simply Sixteen. However you are welcome to try other waddings if you prefer. We would advise you to bring a sample piece to practice on at the start of your rental (consisting of the same fabric and wadding as your quilt sandwich) as we may not be able to establish good tension and smooth stitching on higher loft or polyester wadding. If you are using thick or high loft wadding or fleece backing plus wadding we may not be able to clamp it to the frame due to the thickness.

### How to I book the Simply Sixteen?

Come in to the shop or phone us on 01506 846200 to book a session. A deposit of £15 (or £25 if you are booking a training session) is required when booking. You can book the machine for a morning or afternoon or just 1 hour ó whatever suits you.

### What if I have to cancel my booking?

If you give us 7 days or more notice we will refund your deposit in full. If you cancel with less than 7 days notice we will give you store credit for the deposit paid in the form of a gift voucher.

### What kind of thread can I quilt with?

You can only use our thread. We have a range of plain and variegated threads for you to choose from and thread is included in your rental.

### Which groovy boards can I choose from?

We have a variety of groovy boards which are all hand guided with a stylus. The groovy boards give you a pattern to follow when you quilt. (like using a pantograph) We have background patterns such as Blustery Breeze, Flutterbys, Lofty Clouds, Swirls and Field of Flowers and leaves, feathers, stripes, squares and circles. Remember that you do not have to use the groovy boards, you can also free motion quilt your own designs. Groovy boards are approx 45 inches wide and please note that it is very difficult to pattern match the groovy boards on quilts wider than this. The length of the quilt does not matter, but one dimension must be within 45 inches for the best result. It is possible to groovy board quilts wider than 45 inches, but we cannot guarantee a perfect result and we would not recommend using groovy boards on large (double/king) quilts. The quilt area of the machine is approx 13 x 45 inches. This is the area that you can quilt in one go, then you move your quilt on with the clamps to expose the next section of the quilt.