



# Vaune's December Newsletter

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**T**hanksgiving is almost here - hard to believe!!! It had been a very busy fall for me! The SAGA Convention was in September in Orlando - what a wonderful time! I even saw rain one of the days (a rare occurrence for this So-Cal girl!). After I returned home, I drove up to the Bay Area the next weekend to see the Smocking Exhibit at Lacis. What a wonderful display of all things smocking! Catherine and her crew did an excellent job and the dress from Les Mis was incredible. After that quick trip, the next weekend was off to Orange County to teach at the Education of the Textile Arts - California (ETAC). I met new sewists and connected with the 'regulars'! Home to rest.... (or so I thought).

**I** got called in to sub for a Transitional Kindergarten teacher who had to unexpectedly take some time off, so for the last 5 weeks, I have been in a class with 23 cute little 4 year olds. I have a whole new respect for K-teachers, and I have learned that there is a reason I had my kids when I was young!!! I will be in K for another week or so, and then have a little more time to focus on stitching and workin gon my new classes.

**C**indy Foose and I are working on the projects for our 3rd Santa Barbara School. Please note: The owners will be selling the property as of September 1, 2015, right after our school in August.. We will be looking for a new venue and will keep you informed for 2016, but this is the **LAST YEAR that we will host our school at St. Mary's**. We hope you can join us! The information flier on our Santa Barbara School will be ready after the first of the year - I hope that you all can make it!

**L**ook inside for lots of goodies for your Christmas Wish List Sale! I am excited to let you know that **3 of the A-Z titles are being reprinted**, but buyer beware! They all have different covers, but one has a different title as well! More info inside, but be informed so you are not buying a duplicate (unless of course that is what you want!).

**Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, and a Blessed 2015**

*Happy Stitching!*

*Vaune*

## Christmas Wish List A Sale for YOU!

Spend up to \$50 - get 10% off  
Spend \$50.01-\$100 - get 15% off  
Spend more than \$100, get  
20% off your order.

This includes most things that I carry, even if they are not on my website.

## Stock up now!

There are a few exceptions:  
Pleaters  
Reliable Irons  
**Tantalizing Tucks** by Lyn Weeks  
Thread of the Month Clubs

*Where I'll Be.....*

**February 26- March 1,  
2014**

*Puyallup, WA*

*Sewing and Stitchery Expo*

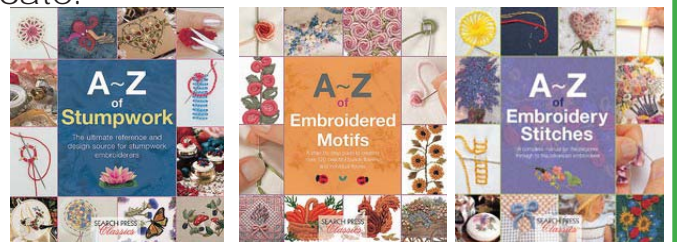
# The Library Shelf

**Some GREAT news!!!!**  
**But Buyer Beware.....**

3 of the OOP A-Z books are being reprinted! **A-Z of Embroidery Stitches**, **A-Z of Stumpwork**, and **A-Z of Embroidered Motifs** are available NOW, just in time for Christmas!

When I saw the **Embroidered Motifs** book, I thought, "Yeah! A new A-Z book!" Alas, it is not true (and here is the buyer beware) - the A-Z of Embroidered Motifs is **THE SAME AS A-Z OF BULLIONS**, just a different cover. If you do not have the **A-Z of Bullions**, then you are in luck, as you will now be able to have your very own copy. If you already have the Bullion, book, then this will be a duplicate!

Each book is \$20  
 Save, depending on your total!!!  
 These make great gifts!



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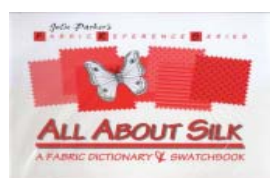
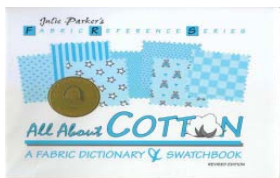
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#84 Next!



Inspirations Magazine's current Issue is #83, 'inspiring' as ever! A beautiful embroidered hanger and a monogrammed lid are 2 of the projects. The US distributor is out of #82 and 83, but I have a few copies left. Once they are gone.....

I am taking pre-orders for #84 each issue is **\$23**



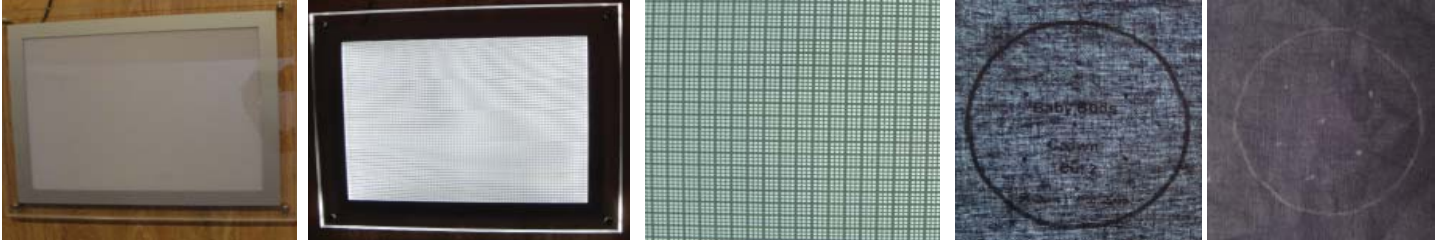
Soon to be gone.....

If you do not have these resource books for your library, now is your chance! They were OOP for the last year (AACotton is \$185, used on Amazon), but they have just finished one more small print run, so I have ordered a few copies. Each book comes with an envelope of swatches that are taped on each fabric page to give you an actual sample of the type of fabric that is being discussed. Back ground info (history, where it is produced, etc.) is given, as well as a 'How to' page (sew, clean, wear) for each type of fabric. Not only is it an excellent resource book, it is a FUN book to read through and an excellent way to teach children about fabric, while letting them have the fun of feeling it!

The prices for the books have gone up, but I am keeping them at the old prices.

All About Cotton \$60 All About Wool \$65 All About Silk \$55  
 Newsletter Special, spend over \$100 and save **20%!**

# What's New.....



My new favorite toy!!! This is an LED light box that is amazing! The light itself is approximately 11" x 16". It is about 1.5" off the table, and the light board itself is about a quarter inch thick. The pictures above show (1) the light box (off), (2) the light box (on), (3) a close up of the LEDs (they look like a grid pattern when they are off, but when turned on, all you see is the light), (4) a picture of a navy linen over a circle pattern, and (5) the navy linen with the circle pattern and placement dots. I have always used a window but not anymore! A bit of a splurge, but worth every penny! ☐

**\$175.00 which qualifies for the 20% discount!**

## **Trio of finger cutters!**

I have happened upon a trip of tools that I love, Love, LOVE!!! They are 'finger' tools - there is a 'hole' for the handle and a groove that your finger lays on to guide the tool. I will say that my finger does not fit through the hole (finger is too short), but I lay my finger over the hole and on the groove and they work just fine! With your finger to guide, it gives you perfect control for tight curves and corners. There is a finger Rotary Cutter (\$10), a finger Retractable Knife (\$12) (like an Exacto knife) and also a finger Swivel Blade (\$10), which has a tiny blade that swivels (the Retractable Knife Blade does not move).

My husband keeps a Retractable Knife on his workbench and one in his car! Once you use them, you will love them!

Finger  
Rotary Cutter  
**\$10**



Finger  
Retractable Knife  
**\$12**



Finger  
Swivel Cutter  
**\$10**



# *I See the Light!*

## **Stella Lights**

Stella lights bring you the best light in which to stitch (or read!). The LEDs produce very little heat, which make it comfortable to use. The lamp lasts 50,000 hours (oh to have that much stitching time)! Tri-Color Technology gives 3 color spectrums - warm, natural, and cool color spectrums, which enables you to see the true colors of your fabric and threads. With a simple touch, you can turn the light on/off, dim up or down, or change color spectrum. They have a flexible arm, so it is easy to focus the light on your project, your sewing machine, or your fabric. They come in 3 different models - a table top, a clamp on, and a floor lamp. Each model is available in both white and black. NEW!!! The Table Top model is available for a short time in PINK (my favorite color!). All models are 20% off the Regular price.



### **Table Top Stella**

Pink, White or Black are available. **\$220**

### **Clamp-On Stella** with Remote

Neck is 3" longer than Table Top model.

White or Black are available. **\$220**



### **Stella Floor Model**

Adjustable from 4-6 feet, and also comes with a Magnetic Infrared Remote!  
Available in white or black.  
**\$389**  
less 20% after Christmas Sale!

**Gift Certificates**

**available!**

Perfect for Christmas!

Perfect for you!

Available in any amount!

Make a Wish List along with my phone number

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# D is for DOVO

## New Color! DOVO 3 piece Set

When DOVO makes a 'special' scissor or case, they make so many and then retire production on that particular item and replace it with a new treat! 2013 has seen several of their embroidery scissor styles become obsolete, but they have introduced a few new goodies. The picture on the right is one of these - the new 3 piece scissor set that has a beautiful black leather case along with 3 pair of scissors - 6 inch shear, a 5 inch shear, and a 3.5 inch embroidery scissor. Gold handles make these look stunning, but they are functional as well, not just to look pretty!

Reg. \$320 **This Qualifies for 20% off!**

New Color!



If you order by **December 10**, even if I don't have these in stock, I **should** be able to get them to you in time for Christmas (depending on DOVO's factory schedule).

Two new cases from DOVO that hold a pair of embroidery scissors! Each case is embellished with Swarovski crystals and closes with a snap - perfect for carrying a pair in your purse! The black case has 4 clear crystals on the cover, and the pink case has a pink crystal flower on the cover.



Choose your scissor!  
 Black crystal case with:  
 Mini Scissor: \$105  
 Black Teflon: \$92  
 1 Nub: \$84  
 Mini Shear: \$107  
 Gold Embroidery: \$96



Pink Crystal Case  
 Mini Scissor: \$127  
 Black Teflon: \$113  
 1 Nub: \$105  
 Mini Shear: \$128  
 Gold Embroidery: \$117

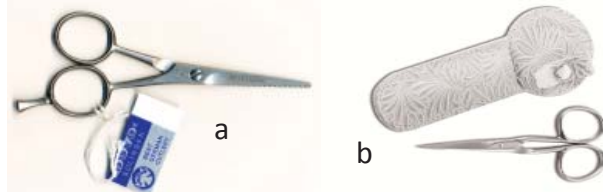
**All DOVO  
 scissors  
 are  
 included  
 in the  
 sale!**

**Make  
 your  
 Christmas  
 Wish  
 List  
 Now!**



More favorites!

One of my favorite (and most used) scissors is my serrated scissors. I use these for trimming, as the serrated blade gives a clean cut with few if any whiskers (wonderful for French seams and trimming piping). The pair that is available now is 4.5" with a silver satin finish. **\$72 (a)**



Another great choice is the 4" silver satin scissor with an Ice Silver sheath. The bows are larger for easier access! **\$57 (b)**



A beautiful 3 piece set with a gray/black embossed leather zippered case. Includes 6", 5", and 4" scissors with silver satin finish. The case is big enough to carry an extra pair or 2 of scissors - I keep my serrated scissors in here as well. **\$270**

# Odds and Ends

## German Interfacing

German interfacing is 36" wide and usually available in optic white, soft white, ecru, and black (although currently I only have optic white in stock). It's 100% cotton making it compatible for pressing cotton & linen heirloom fabrics (unlike Touch of Gold, a rayon which melts when subjected to the linen heat setting separating it from the glue sheet, so it bubbles and free floats in the collar with the risk of being reattached in the wrong place with future pressing).

This fine fusible is real light weight batiste fabric and remains bonded after washing when steam set. It can be used anywhere traditional interfacing is (and is a favorite of the garment industry), plus it makes a great substitute for an under collar or lining (to give single layer Madeira, heirloom, cutwork, and appliquéd edge stitched tea towels, cuffs, or collars body); applied directly to uncut fabric to prevent shape distortion of peter pan collars and reduce piping color show through; as a garment interlining to add structure in haute couture and reduce wrinkling of linen sheath dresses and inexpensive cotton piques: applied under the smocked design area to produce more substantial pleats in netting & light. wt. fabrics and prevent color discrepancies between the pleated and non pleated areas in sheer fabrics like Nelona; and to eliminate the visibility of securing stitches and trailed threads in beading and hand embroidery projects. Truly the uses are endless!

Currently I have white and (finally!) black in stock. I will be getting more Soft White in. If you pre-order, it will count toward your Christmas Wish List total!

German Interfacing is \$15/yd. I usually package it in 1 yard pieces, but if you want more than 1 yard and want it in a continuous piece, let me know and I will cut it that way.

*All Fabrics on my website are included in the Christmas Wish List Sale, including Swiss fabrics and Ulster linen.*

## Sit-Upon Hoops are back again!



You sit on the frame to allow 'hands free' stitching! comes with an 8.5" hoop-on-a-stick and the frame stand.

**\$65**

Other sizes also available: (only hoop-on-a-stick, fits into frame stand)

6.5" **\$32**

7.5" **\$34**

10" **\$36**

## A Gaggle of Gingham

As most of you know, I love piping - I think it adds sooo much to a garment! One of my favorite piping fabrics is 1/16" gingham - the checks are large enough to see, but small enough to act as a neutral instead of a print! I carry gingham in 14 colors, and it is 100% cotton and 60" wide. Fat quarters are perfect for piping - at 18" by 30", it is wide enough to make long bias strips for your piping without a lot of seams. \$4.00 ea

I have put together a collection of **14** different colors of gingham fat quarters - a color for everything you sew! **Only \$48** (a savings of \$8)



Add a '**Duckling**' to your collection! Only 4.5" long (vs. 6" for regular applique' scissors) this small duck-bill scissors is perfect for trimming applique'. **Only \$14!**

# Child's Display Form



Size	Bust	Waist	Cost
6 month	19"	18"	\$85
1T	20"	20"	\$90
2T	21"	21"	\$90
3-4T	22"	21"	\$95

These are NOT listed on my website. Please send me an email for the size(s) that you want.

## Stitch in Color!



Complete Set  
Coton a Broder #25  
182 colors  
**\$280**  
less 20%!



Complete Set  
Floche  
94 colors  
**\$595**  
less 20%!

Coton a Broder #25 is 4 ply, round embroidery thread that is NOT stranded (1 piece is 1 piece) - wonderful for all types of embroidery. Floche is a 5 ply, soft twist embroidery thread that is beautiful for bullions, cut-work and shadow work. This is the thread used on the island of Madeira in their embroidery. Treat yourself to one or both collections. Special savings - order both sets, Reg. \$875,

**with Christmas Wish List Discount, only \$700 (save \$180!)**

### *The Fine Print*

Some things never make it to my website, as they are one time buys and you all get first crack! Send me an email (vaune@vaune.com) with what you want and your phone number and I will get right back to you! If you need to call, my number is 805-529-5005 . If you order online, I will take off the sale discount before I charge your cc.

Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving and a Fantastic Christmas Holiday - spend time with your family and friends and loved ones! Give lots of hugs and bite your tongue when you don't necessarily want to - life is too short!

Happy Stitching,

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