

# Bra-making Classes 2009-2010

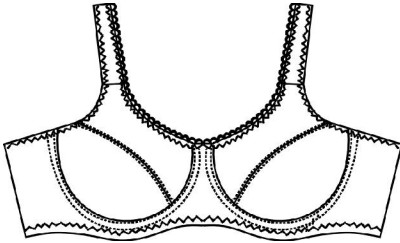
Why not take classes with the experts in the field? We offer classes in bra-making, panty making and corsetry at all levels - beginner, intermediate, advanced or professional.

Bra-makers Supply, #219-1104 Fennell Avenue, Hamilton, ON 905-538-1396

## Personal Bra-making Classes

### **BEGINNER BRA-MAKING (FULL BAND)**

**\$220 includes pattern & kit**



Sew a bra for yourself and have it professional fitted to your unique body! Our two day class is often enough time to sew two bras. The first bra will be a test bra, so the fitting challenges can be worked out by our very patient instructor. The second bra can be jazzed up in many ways!

*Saturday November 21 & Sunday November 22, 2009*

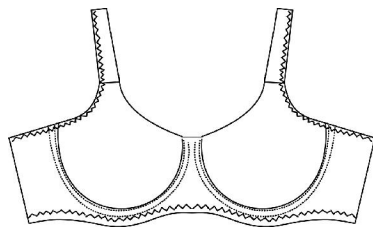
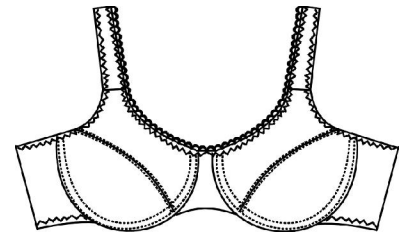
*Tuesday November 24 & Wednesday November 25, 2009*

### **PARTIAL BAND BRA (WIRED BRA)**

**\$120 inc. pattern**

Hungry for more bra-making classes? Why not stay an extra day and make another style of bra? This **underwired** bra has no band under the cups, so it's the minimum amount of bra. The construction is different from that of a full band, so there's more learning. This is a great second bra for beginners.

*Monday November 23, 2009*



### **FULL BAND T-SHIRT BRA (1 day)**

**\$125 inc. foam cups**

Everyone wants a T-shirt bra! A seamless foam cup bra that is practically invisible under clothing is easy to make once you know the tricks of the trade. Learn to alter a band to fit foam cups, and see how rotation can greatly affect fit and shape. Finish the top edge with industry quality roll-over edges if you wish. Fee includes the foam cups and the pattern.

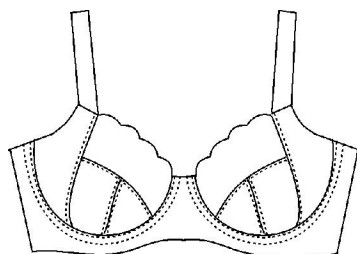
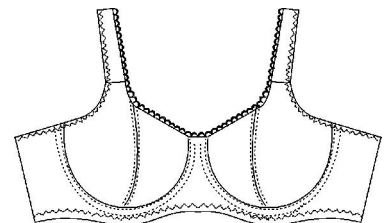
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### **VERTICAL SEAMED BRA**

**\$100 inc. pattern**

Vertical seams are big fashion news. Not only are the seams flattering to any size bustline, but the bra itself is not difficult to make. The design possibilities are endless. You'll be drafting your new pattern **using your pattern from the beginner bra class** and learn how to make the most flattering design lines for your body type. Then you will make the bra you designed. Advanced level.

*Thursday November 12, 2009*



### **SHELLEY DESIGNER BRA (1 day)**

**\$120 inc. pattern**

We use your bra pattern from any of the beginner classes to draft the pattern for this bra, inspired by a \$200 designer bra from Europe. We made it better and you can make it to fit you. It has several features to make the bra supportive and just drop-dead gorgeous, including the four-piece cup, a lace upper cup and a power bra innovation that urges the girls forward. We've made this bra many times and it looks good on everybody. You **need to have taken a beginner bra class and bring your pattern** with you.

*Monday November 30, 2009*

## **CLONE YOUR BEST BRA (1.5 DAYS)**

**\$100<sup>2</sup>**

Do you have a favourite bra that fits well and you wish you could have many more just like it? Did you know that you can "clone" the bra without taking it apart. Beverly's exclusive method guarantees the best copy possible with the least amount of work. We spend Friday evening drafting the pattern, and the Saturday making the bra.

*Friday November 27 & Saturday November 28*

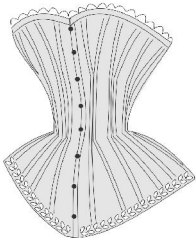
## Other Intimate Apparel Classes

### **TANKINI (1.5 days)**

**\$150 includes pattern**

This swimsuit is drafted directly from your bra pattern, guaranteeing the same great fit for your swimwear as you have in your bra. We make our own foam swim cups from foam padding, then cover them to make them fashion-forward. The rest of the suit is custom drafted for your unique body. Beverly will share secrets of disguising figure challenges with clever fabric colour and placement in this two-day class.

*Saturday January 16 & Sunday January 1, 2010*



### **CORSET MAKING (2 days)**

**\$250 including pattern & kit**

Build a real Victorian corset for theater, re-enactments and special occasions or under that retro cocktail dress! Corsets are a fun and popular inner OR outer garment that are a must-have for today's fashionable woman.

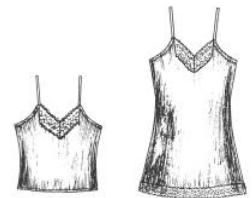
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### **CAMISOLE CLASS (1 day)**

**\$85 including pattern**

Make a lovely camisole with lace trim in this one day class. You will have the pattern fitted to your body and sew it up in one day. If you take both cami and the panty class (described below), the price is reduced by \$20!

*Sunday November 15, 2009*



### **PANTIES (1 day)**

**\$85 including pattern**

Make matching panties for all your bras and corsets! Class includes a pattern for basic panties. Remember, if you take both the cami and the panty class, the price is reduced!

*Saturday November 14, 2009*

### **BODY SHAPER (1 day)**

**\$100 including pattern**

Eliminate the look of back fat and visible bra lines with a body shaper. Smooth your profile under your clothes and make it to fit your unique body. Beverly has taken the best of the ready-to-wear bodyshaper features and combined them into one garment pattern that really works. You can make it out of any compression type fabric such as power net for the most control.

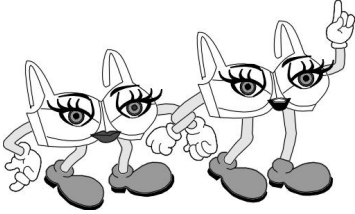
*Thursday November 26, 2009*



# Boot Camp and Other Fun Events!

## **BASIC TRAINING (5 days)**

**\$500 includes patterns**



Imagine 5 whole days making bras, bras, and more bras! In Boot Camp, you will make many different styles of bras. You'll get a personalized pattern, then expand your knowledge to working with other fabrics and styles. Imagine - sewing for yourself without interruption all week!

*Monday through Friday November 16-20, 2009*

## **BRA-MAKERS AHOY! (8 days)**

**ALMOST SOLD OUT**

Our very first convention on the high seas! Join the colleagues you haven't met yet for 8 days of island hopping, cruising and sewing bras with Royal Caribbean cruise lines. We'll be sailing from Ft. Lauderdale to four different islands and sewing bras while at sea. At each island we'll experience the flavour of Europe mixed with the unique Caribbean flair. Islands include the Netherlands Antilles, the British Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. There just "happens" to be fabric shops on every island! Plans for the sew days include a swimsuit, a bra-in-a-tank top plus one day doing "titbits", short lecture/demos on new techniques, new ways to use product and new innovations in design. Final payment December 5. Book your trip NOW! See the website for details and pricing.

*Saturday February 20-Sunday February 28, 2010*

# Professional Level Courses

## **CERTIFIED TEACHER TRAINING**

**\$1500 materials included**

Have you thought about teaching bra-making in your area? Do you know that by teaching bra-making, you can introduce sewing enthusiasts to the wonderful world of making bras for themselves, and earn money while doing it? Our certified Teacher Training uses a proven set of patterns by Pin-up Girls, and specialized measuring and fitting techniques developed over 12 years by Beverly Johnson. Each Certified Teacher is taught to fit the myriad of body types that walk through the door and how to earn money even after the class is over. The course is suitable for anyone who sews well, has a knack for teaching and a desire to help other women.

*Monday April 12- Friday April 16*

## **SUMMERTIME PRO FITTING COURSE**

**\$2500 inc. patterns, text and materials used in the course**

If you really, really want to take the professional bra-making course below, but can't take the eight weeks off, we may have a solution for you. We are offering the fitting section only of the professional bra-making course in a condensed version. This is 4 weeks of fitting on real women and the pattern alterations that make them work. You MUST already be sewing bras in order to take this condensed course, as there will not be construction taught in the course. It is fitting only! This includes those who are trying to make bra-making their career without the benefit of having had an instructor by their side. You will get a set of patterns, the text and all materials used in class. Any former professional bra-making students who would like to get more fitting experience can come to the 4 week course for a reduced rate.

*Monday to Fridays from July 12-August 6, 2010*

## **PROFESSIONAL BRA-MAKING**

**\$3500 inc. all patterns, text and materials used in the course**

Ready-to-wear bras can't fit everyone. Studies show that 7 out of 10 women aren't happy with the fit of their bras. Learn to make custom bras and start a rewarding sewing business that can easily build into a full-time career. The professional course is eight weeks long and is geared to the construction and fitting of custom bras. When you complete this course, you can start your own custom bra-making business. The course has both classroom training, sewing lessons specific to bra-making and client work, under close personal supervision. Industry construction methods are taught but we encourage you to bring your own machine. All classes are held M-F and are limited to 6 students. Applicants must have excellent sewing skills and an understanding of pattern drafting. All materials used during the course are included. Machines are available to rent for out-of-town students.

*September 13 - November 5, 2010*

# Our Year in a Nutshell

September 2009	14 -30	Professional Bra-makers Course	March 2010	22-26	Plus Sizes (one week pro training)
October 2009	1-31	Professional Bra-makers Course	April 2010	12-16	Teacher Training (one week)
November 2009	1-5 12 14 15 21-22 23 24-25 26 27-28	Professional Bra-makers Course Vertical seamed bra Panties Camisole Beginner Bra Partial Band Wired Bra Beginner Bra Body Shaper Clone your Favourite Bra	May 2010	Last week of May	Saskatchewan Stitches Conference in Muenster, SK. Join Beverly for the last week of May and the first week of June two weeks of sewing bras, corsets and swimwear. She always offers something new at this conference!
December 2009		We are taking a break! See you in 2010	June 2010	First week	Saskatchewan Stitches Conference
January 2010	16-17	Bra cupped swimsuit	July 2010	12-Aug 6	Pro fitting Class
February 2010	20-28	Bra-makers Ahoy! The first ever cruise for bra-making enthusiasts!	August 2010		Stay tuned!

## Interested in taking a class?

Call our Bra-makers Hotline at 905-538-1396 and hold your spot with a deposit on the class and dates of your choice. Please add taxes of 5% (GST only) to the prices shown here. Upon registration, you will be emailed a supply list. Some classes have a kit included - others will have a supply list so you can bring your own fabrics and supplies. All classes start at 10 a.m. and end at 4 pm. All classes will require a basic sewing kit - scissors, tape measure, snips, bobbins, machine needles, wash-out marker, seam ripper (just in case), pins and thread. Any presser feet other than the regular ones will be noted on the supply list.

Don't want to lug your heavy machine? You can rent one of our class machines for a very reasonable price. You won't have to bring anything but your basic sewing supplies and a smile!

To get to the Bra-makers School from the U.S border or Niagara Falls, take the Red Hill Creek Parkway all the way up the mountain to the exit ramp to Upper Gage. Drive on Upper Gage until you see Fennell Avenue, turn RIGHT on Fennell until you see Bra-makers pink sign on the second floor of the Sunshine Plaza. If you go past Upper Ottawa, you've gone too far!

To get to the Bra-makers School from either direction from Hwy. 403, take the exit for the Lincoln Alexander Pkwy (the Linc) and get off and turn LEFT on Upper Gage. Drive on Upper Gage until you see Fennell Avenue, turn RIGHT on Fennell until you see Bra-makers pink sign on the second floor of the Sunshine Plaza. If you go past Upper Ottawa, you've gone too far!