

# Quilting in Amish Country



May 5-6,  
2022

(Thursday-Friday)



~ Shipshewana, IN ~

## ***Brief Itinerary:***

### ***Day 1, Thursday, May 5, 2022 (BTG, L, & D)***

As we depart from Grand Rapids this morning, we will enjoy breakfast snacks and coffee en route to Shipshewana, Indiana. We will arrive at Davis Mercantile, which features 4 floors of shops, eateries PLUS a working carousel. Lunch will be served inside Millie's Market Cafe' located on the top floor. Then you "shop 'til you drop" inside Lolly's Fabrics & Quilts and the shops at Davis Mercantile. We then head over to Yoder's Department Store, the largest quilting store in the region. You can walk across the hallway to The Cotton Corner to continue your fabric shopping. We will depart Yoder's for a Amish Quilt Trunk Show and Haystack Dinner inside an Amish home. 'Haystack' is like an "upside down taco salad" served family style to the table. Following the meal, Rebecca Haarer will tell us the history of Amish quilting before heading to Essenhaus Inn to check in for the night.

### ***Day 2, Friday, May 6, 2022 (B, & L)***

After breakfast at the hotel, we will check out and depart for Goshen, Indiana to visit a rural country quilt fabric shop called Calico Point. Then off to Topeka for Emmatown Fabric & Gifts. Next, Alaine Jones invites us to join her and family and friends in an Amish quilting bee. The ladies will demonstrate how to piece, mark and get the quilt ready to sew. Then you get a chance to participate, watch, learn or just chat as these Amish ladies lead the novice and experienced quilter in an old-fashioned quilting bee. Our dinner will be an Amish Wedding Feast. We will feast on a traditional Amish wedding dinner as Elaine and her son Seth explain what an Amish wedding day is like. We then depart Topeka for one more stop in Shipshewana at the E&S Bulk Food Store, the Amish version of Wal-Mart. We will arrive home around 7:00 pm (no dinner stop).

*Meals Included Key: MBS = Morning Breakfast Snacks  
CB = Continental Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner*