



Free-Motion 
 *Fillers*

Week 2 Quilting Diagrams & Tip Sheet

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Free-motion Challenge Quilting Along

Week 2: Swirls

In this week's Fillers Free-motion Challenge, we are going to explore swirl designs. This video tutorial is packed with several different designs, but don't let that overwhelm you! They all start with the same basic shape and can really add a dramatic impact on your quilts. As you practice the designs, try to come up with your own design variations!



Scan the QR code to rewatch the Week 2 video tutorial.

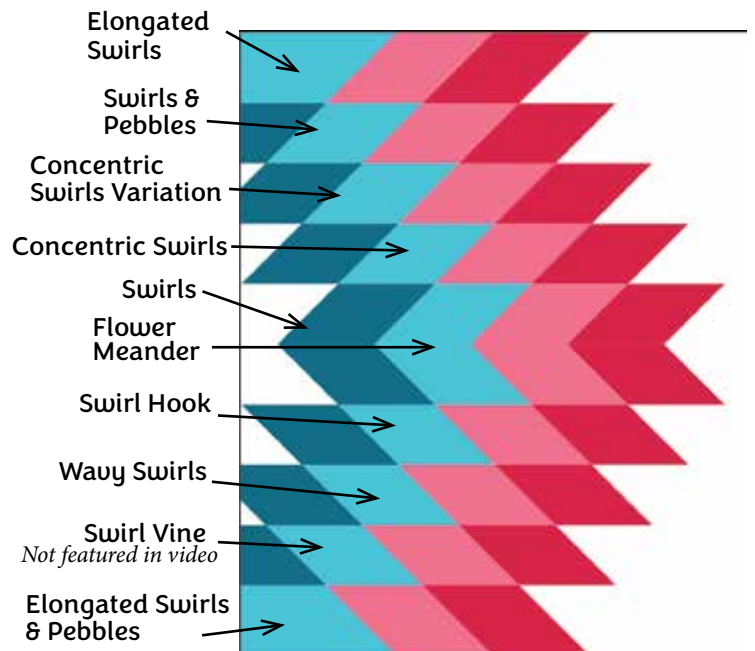


Your Challenge

If you're quilting along with me on the custom challenge panel, fill in the sections highlighted in yellow with the swirl fillers of your choice. You can use the design placement suggestions to the right or come up with your own placement ideas!



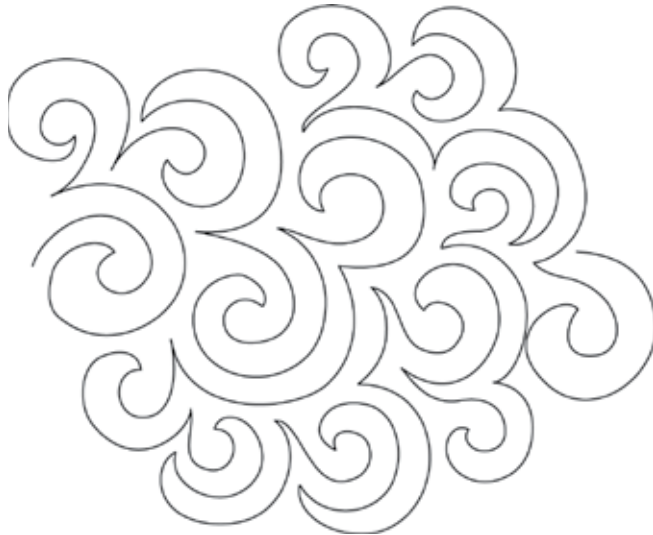
Design Placement Suggestions



Swirls

Swirl Filler #1

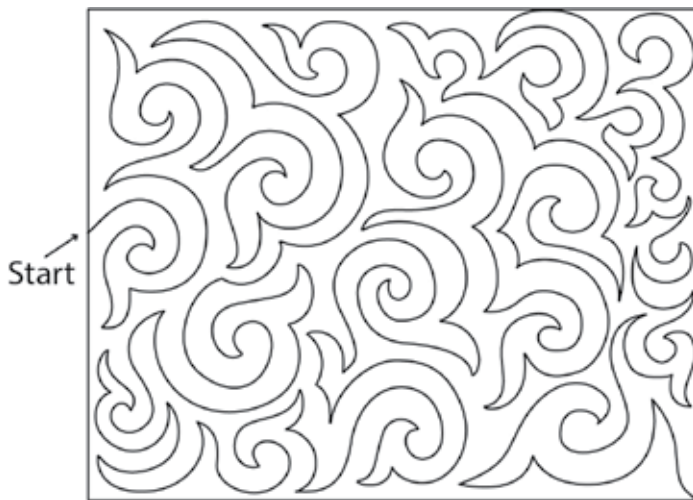
The most versatile of quilting designs, the swirl meander looks great on any quilt. If you only learn one quilting design, this would be the one to master!



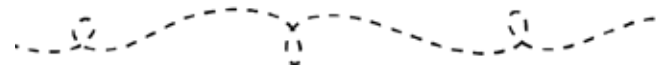
Swirl Hook

Swirl Filler #2

Once you have got the hang of the swirl meander, try throwing in a little hook for a design that can fit into tight spots.

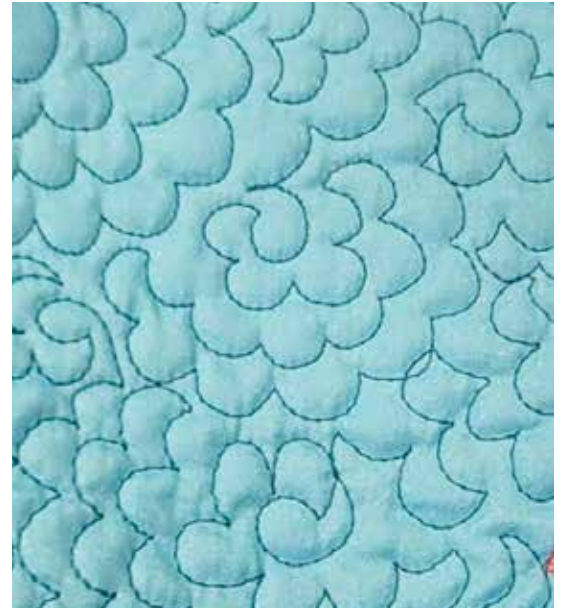
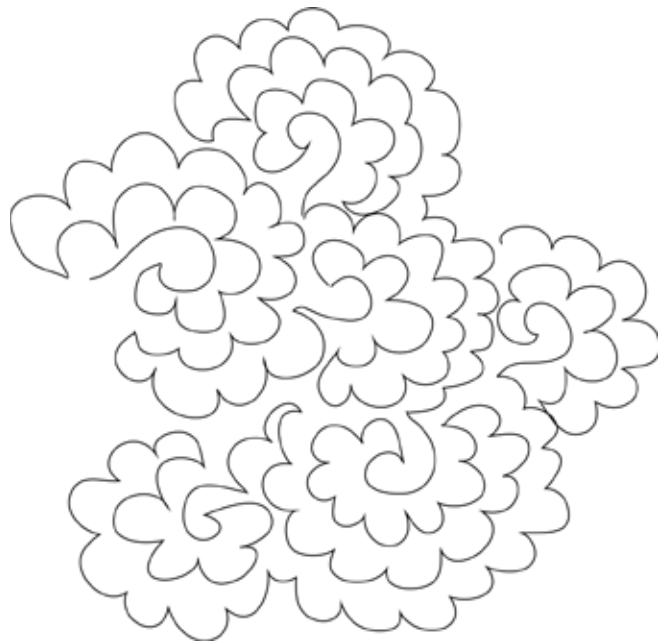


Flower Meander

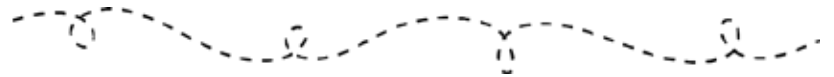


Swirl Filler #3

For a softer, more “feminine” looking design, try the Flower Meander. It may not look like a swirl, but it starts out the same way as the swirl meander.



Wavy Swirls



Swirl Filler #4

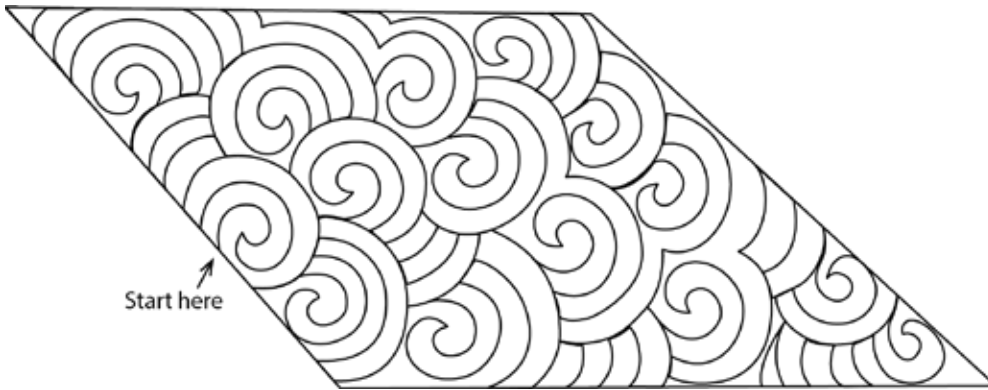
Sometimes you just might want to let loose with a design that’s puts a wavy spin on the classic swirl design.



Concentric Swirls

Swirl Filler #5

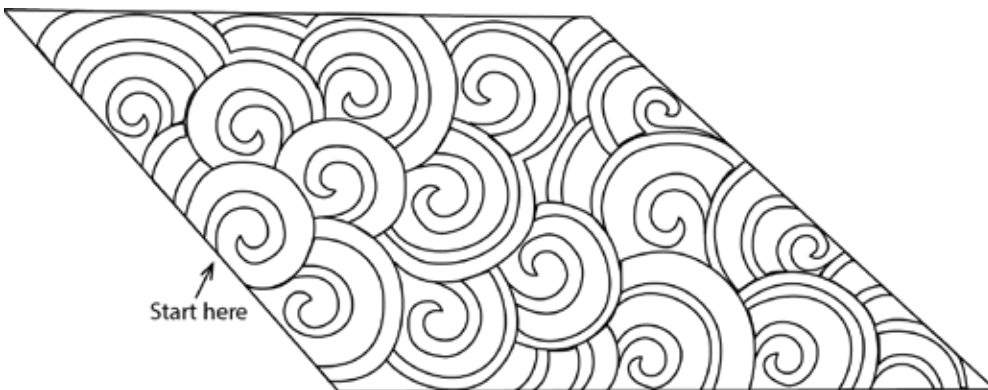
Add a little bit of traveling to the swirl meander to create a design that can add depth to areas of your quilts.



Concentric Swirl Variation

Swirl Filler #6

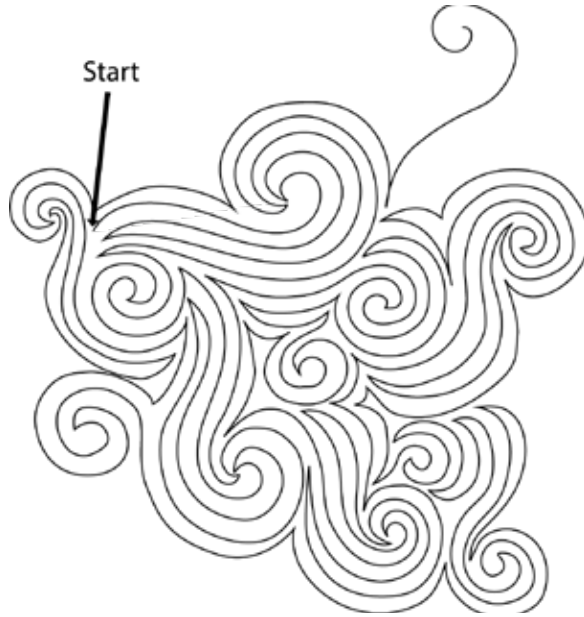
Changing up the spacing of the echo lines is an easy way to create a softer variation of the concentric swirl.



Elongated Swirls

Swirl Filler #7

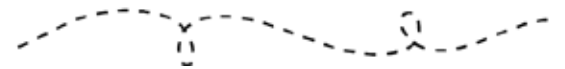
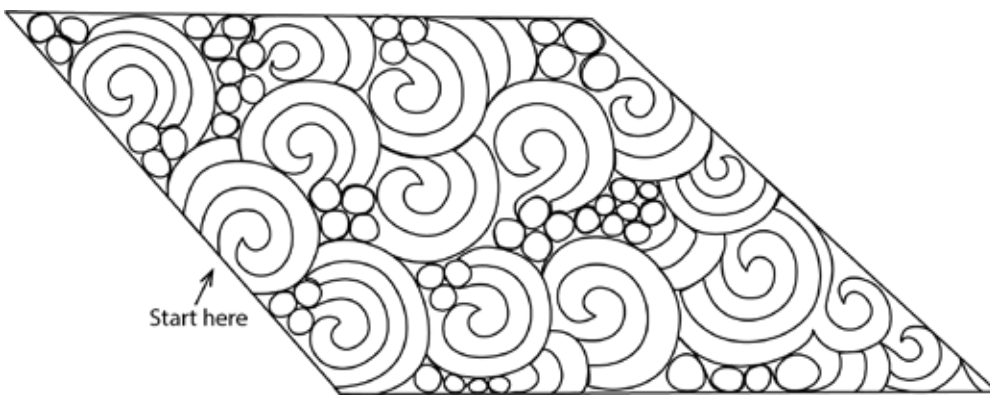
For this variation, we are stretching out the swirl to create a design that can add movement or texture to your quilt.



Pebbles and Swirls

Swirl Filler #8

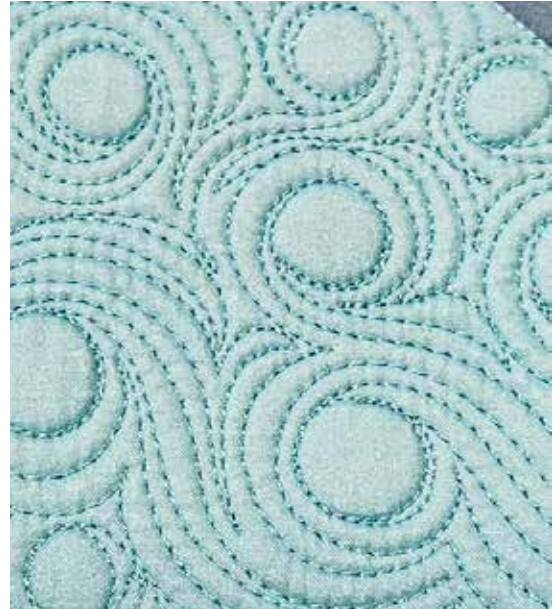
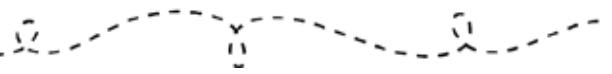
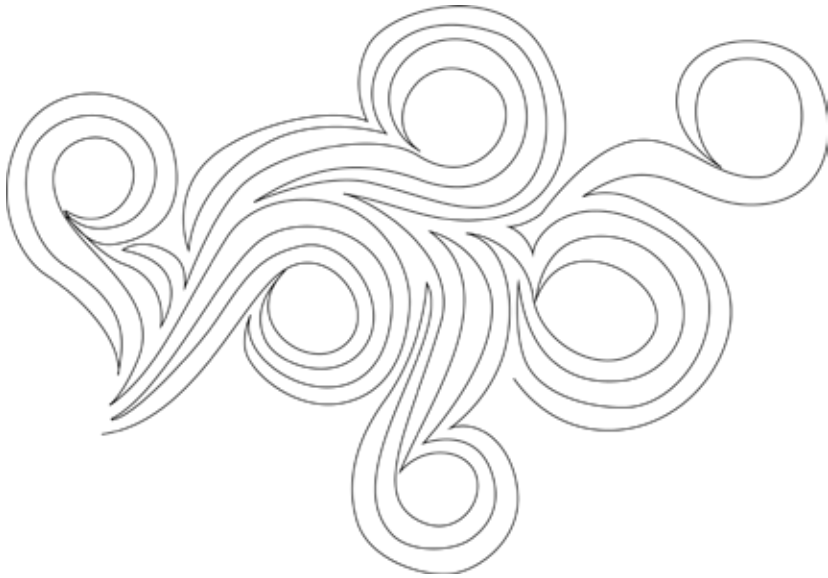
Combining two different designs can result a completely new look. Since swirls and pebbles are the same basic shape, they work really well together.



Elongated Swirls & Pebbles

Swirl Filler #9

Combining elongated swirls and pebbles is a fun way to create a design that draws attention to areas of your quilt.



Swirl Vine

Swirl Filler #10

This swirl variation replaces the echoing with traveling to create a less dense option for your quilts.

