

On the road

SOUTH-EAST QUEENSLAND

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1. Gympie GYMPIE PATCHWORK



Where's Gympie: Close to Rainbow Beach and Tin Can Bay on the coast and the Mary Valley Hinterland, with plenty to see and do in Gympie and its surrounding area.

Where in Gympie: 2 Ray Street. Ray Street runs just off Chapple Street, and the store is really easy to find. We have lots of parks in town and beautiful buildings.

Who plays host: Margaret Sanderson

Worth visiting because: I have been a patchworker for many

years and have run the shop for a large portion of that time, so if you have any questions or need any help with your patchwork, I am always happy to help out. I have a remarkable range of quality 100 per cent cotton fabrics to browse through and inspire you, as well as batting and every sewing necessity you could possibly need! A variety of classes are held daily, ranging from beginners' classes to those for the more experienced stitcher and occasional one day workshops are also offered, so keep an eye out and join in for the next one! If your sewing machine needs a service, I have a sewing-machine mechanic who drops in fortnightly. Large groups are welcome and there is plenty

of parking, so your visit to the store is trouble free!

What we recommend: I offer plenty of variety for your patchworking.

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Phone: (07) 5483 7557



2. Cooroibah FABRIC PATCH



Where's Cooroibah: Five minutes north west of Tewantin, approximately 18 minutes from Hastings Street in Noosa.

Where in Cooroibah: 223 Lake Cooroibah Road. Make your way to Tewantin (10 minutes from the Bruce Highway) and then take McKinnon Drive heading towards Boreen Point. Take the second right turn (Lake Cooroibah Road) continue driving for 2.4 km until you see number 223 and the Fabric Patch flag on the left. Drive into the driveway and we are the first house on the left.

Who plays host: Janeene Cooke and her friendly and talented assistant Fiona.

Worth visiting because: We can offer you a great variety of the very latest quilting fabrics and products and a good friendly shopping experience, either in person or online. We have a huge range of fabrics including Moda, Riley Blake, Michael Miller, fat-quarter bundles, jelly rolls, layer cakes and charm packs, just to name a few. You'll also find patterns for different crafts including stitcheries, quilts, softies and clothes, from well-known Australian and international designers, including Gail Pan, Leanne's House, Melly & me, Claire Turpin, The Birdhouse, Thimble Blossoms, Kids' Quilts and more. We also have a great selection of books and kits to inspire you, along with quilting rulers, threads and various other patchwork and quilting supplies. Visits to the store are by appointment only, and bus trips and groups are welcome, but get in touch with us first to book in!

What we recommend: My favourite products are the lovely Moda precuts. It is like Christmas every time we open a new order from Moda. There is always something new and exciting at Fabric Patch for you.

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3. Forest Glen THE PATCHWORK ANGEL

Where's Forest Glen: On the beautiful Sunshine Coast, just one hour north of Brisbane and 30 minutes south of Noosa.

Where in Forest Glen: Old Church, 343 Mons Road. In the old church in Forest Glen opposite the shops. Take exit 200 off the Bruce Highway.

Who plays host: Penny and her team of Angels

Worth visiting because: We have an amazing range of fabrics as well as patterns, books and now also lovely yarns for knitting and crochet, which make up our store's offshoot, Yarn Angel. Our fabrics include ranges from the big names such as Kaffe Fassett, Moda and Tilda. Yarns are from popular brands Noro, Cascade and Debbie Bliss and pattern books are from Jenny King. Being in an old church means that we have high ceilings, which are wonderful to display samples of the quilts we have fabrics and patterns for. The church hall at the back is our light and airy classroom space for our classes and many friendship groups. We also have lots of fun things on our Facebook pages, The Patchwork Angel and Yarn Angel, so check them out!

What we recommend: We are very excited about this year's *Homespun* Block of the Month (published in the February 2015 – November 2015 issues inclusive), co-designed by Kaffe Fassett and the Material Obsession design team, and featuring Kaffe Fassett fabrics. We have kits and magazines available in store as well as a large range of Kaffe Fassett fabrics.



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4. *Maleny* MALENY MAGIC PATCHWORK AND QUILTS

Where's Maleny: The town of Maleny is on the hinterland above the Sunshine Coast with beautiful views of the range.

Where in Maleny: 924 Maleny Montville Road. Our store is situated 5km from the Maleny township along Balmoral Ridge on the road to Montville. We're just past the Maleny Cheese Factory, along with the Mary Cairncross Reserve and the Botanical Gardens.

Who plays host: Robyn and Barbara

Worth visiting because: As you walk in the door, you'll find a rainbow of colour. We have a bright and airy store and visitors often tell us how impressed there are with our wide range of fabrics. We do like to have fabrics for different tastes and you'll find all sorts including Japanese, modern Australian, Indigenous, Batiks, blenders, tone on tones and solids. Some of our fabrics make up into lovely dresses and tops as well as quilts. Sashiko panels and threads are available, as well as embroidery cottons and silk threads. We can also make arrangements for your quilt to be quilted by a professional quilter. You can join our workshops during the year as well as our regular classes. We're open seven days a week and coaches and large groups are welcome. We are always happy to help with anything you might need – all you have to do is ask!

What we recommend: For new Mums, Nanas and new sewers, we have a large range of panels, which are so easy to put together. We also stock Sue Daley paper-piecing papers, patterns and notions.



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5. *Morayfield* SEW THIS & THAT



Where's Morayfield: Between Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast and just off the Moreton Bay coast. It's an ideal spot to stop off at when exploring the beautiful Sunshine Coast.

Where in Morayfield: Shop 1, 207 Morayfield Road. Just a short detour off the Bruce Highway, Morayfield Road is the main road that runs through town. We're in a shopping complex with plenty of parking in front, at the side or behind the shop. We also have an easy bus-parking area on the main road directly outside the front doors.

Who plays host: Owned by Danielle Brown and Joanne Wearing and our helpful staff help run the store. We also have two qualified sewing-machine technicians that work onsite.

Worth visiting because: We're a vibrant and colourful patchwork store jam-packed with plenty of quality fabrics, lots of quilting gadgets and tools, and much, much more. The store is decorated with gorgeous quilts to inspire you and you'll often hear lots of laughter and chatter from our staff and customers. We sell Janome, Bernina, Husqvarna Viking and Brother sewing machines, sewing and embroidery machines and overlockers and also the Brother Scan N Cut. We all have lots of sewing experience, so feel free to ask for advice when choosing a new machine. We also run lots of classes and workshops, so check out our website for details. You can also keep up to date with our goings on on our Facebook page.

What we recommend: Our Sneak Peek sessions are free and held every three months. These are an opportunity to see what projects we have in store in the coming month's classes. See the projects up close, find out all the information you need and book your place. Check out website for when the next Sneak Peek is on.

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6. Shorncliffe FAERIES IN MY GARDEN



Where's Shorncliffe: Shorncliffe is a lovely bay-side suburb of Brisbane, featuring historic homes, parks and cafes. Our shop is on the headland, overlooking the bay, and is right next door to St Patrick's College

Where in Shorncliffe: 70 Park Parade, Shorncliffe, Qld 4017. Follow Sandgate Road from the city, drive past the Sandgate train station and head up Rainbow Street to the headland.

Turn into Park Parade and look for the white picket fence with the gatehouse. Or, take the Shorncliffe train from Central Station.

Who plays host: Husband and wife team (Once teenage sweethearts) Lesley and Kevin McConnell steer the good ship Faerie, while our first mate Tracey, and wonderful Miss Bubbles (Colleen) are the best crew we could ever wish for!

Worth visiting because: We are the home of love and romance in quilting. Roses and sumptuous florals are our keynote fabrics, and Lesley's designs turn these into romantic and nostalgic quilts and small projects. *An English Country Garden* and *Phoebe's Secret Garden*, are our latest block of the month quilts, and on the drawing board is a series of lovely quilts in delicate shades of aubergine and grey with an Edwardian theme (pictured left). We are now taking expressions of interest in these new projects, so just contact us for more details.

What we recommend: Our Gift of the Month Club is now in its seventh year of operation, with a mystery gift project posted out every second month to members. You too can be part of the fun, so sign up today!

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7. Cleveland BAYSIDE STITCHCRAFT

Where's Cleveland: On the coast of beautiful Moreton Bay, just one hour's drive east from downtown Brisbane.

Where in Cleveland: Shop 2, 140 Ross Court. When heading south from Cleveland town centre along Bloomfield Street, turn right at the Caltex service station into Ross Court and we're at the very end.

Who plays host: Owned by Margaret with the assistance of Selina, Joy, Brenda, Fay, Rhonda and Peter, our in-store sewing-machine Master Technician.

Worth visiting because: As soon as you walk through the door, you'll see that our store is chock full of temptations. Whether it's choosing fabric for your next treasured project, or learning to use your sewing machine, we love to help you, whatever the request! We have over 4000 bolts of the latest, delicious cotton fabrics, a full range of sewing and embroidery threads, haberdashery and gifts. We also have lots of classes, with information on our website – it's always fun to learn new techniques, especially when surrounded by like-minded people. We're also authorised dealers for Janome, Pfaff, Singer and Husqvarna Viking sewing machines.

What we recommend: We've all fallen in love with the convenience and simplicity of working with precuts. Whether it's layer cakes, jelly rolls or charm packs, we've got loads of them, and lots of patterns for using them too! Come in store and see our huge range.

Address: Shop 2, 140 Ross Court, Cleveland, Qld 4163



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8. Macgregor SEWCO SEWING AND PATCHWORK

Where's Macgregor: A southern suburb of Brisbane, not too far from the CBD.

Where in Macgregor: We have been in our new store for just over a year and we are now located 600m down the road from Garden City on Kessels Road. Our store is in the Kessels Central complex and we're easy to find - we are the blue fronted store on the left hand side past the roundabout.

Who plays host: Lesley has owned Sewco for over 20 years and she could never run the store without the wonderful team members that she has helping.

Worth visiting because: At Sewco, we offer good old-fashioned service and we are extremely proud to be Queensland's largest sewing machine retailer, with all brands and models available. In our onsite service department, we have two full-time technicians available for both repair and servicing of all makes and models. With over 7500 bolts of patchwork and dress fabric to choose from, your creativity is only limited by your imagination. We love to teach and we run classes in patchwork, sewing, embroidery and software, all in a fun-filled environment. We have many bus trips and quilting groups call in to visit with morning and afternoon tea always on offer.

What we recommend: We recommend you look at the extensive range of Creative Grid and other rulers that we import. We also search extensively for new fabrics, gadgets and products from Australia and



overseas to offer our customers some really interesting a special products and our teaching staff are continually searching for new and creative projects to keep you up to date with the latest techniques. Our Sewco Club has been getting together for over 20 years, where they enjoy special guests, new products and projects along with coffee and cake - what more could you want?

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9. Highfields THE QUILTERS ANGEL



Where's Highfields: A small town, 10 minutes' drive north of Toowoomba.

Where in Highfields: 10475 New England Highway. In 'The Village Green' complex, with views overlooking the escarpment and neighbouring gift shops including a cafe. Coming from Toowoomba, turn right directly after the second set of lights - you can't miss us!

Who plays host: Marion with the help of her daughter, Steph.

Worth visiting because: We're your one-stop boutique patchwork shop! Walk up the stairs and you can feel the excitement brewing as you survey all the goodies on display on the verandah of the re-located old school building - enter

the front door and you are transported to another time. We have dark polished timber floors and high ceilings - a modern-vintage backdrop to a treasure trove of content. Hundreds of bolts of fabric line the walls and overflow into the main body of the shop. Vintage cabinets house laces and trimmings, with racks of patterns and kits as well as an array of your haberdashery needs. Every available gap is filled with delicious giftware to delight and appeal to everyone who enters the shop. We are open six days a week, closed on Tuesdays.

What we recommend: We host the 'Stitchers' Dream Day Out' each year in September. The event focuses on stitching, friendship and food and it's hosted in our beautifully decorated venue right next door to the store. We have new designers each year creating special projects for the event, along with a wonderful gift bag, lunch and a kit to begin hand stitching on the day. The designers mingle with participants throughout the day, giving demonstrations and tutorials on their specialties. This year, we have Bronwyn Hayes from Red Brolly and Julie Lovell from Calico Designs joining us. Just contact us for more information.

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10. Redbank Creek District TWILIGHT CRAFTS



Where's Redbank Creek District: 11km from Esk along the Esk-Hampton Road in the Somerset Region, which is approximately 90 minutes' drive from Brisbane.

Where in Redbank Creek District: 39 Esk Forest Road, located in the grounds of Twilight Grove Farm Bed and Breakfast.

Who plays host: Isla Gillinder

Worth visiting because: We are a unique craft store, presenting a full range of patchwork fabrics and craft supplies, including scrapbooking products, all in the quiet setting on a farm: the cattle and horses are in the paddock near the shop. Ring before you arrive and we will have morning or afternoon tea ready. You can also book in to the B&B, so you can relax for the whole weekend or you can make a holiday of it with your crafty friends and bring your group on a retreat. We also have access to a long-arm quilting machine. Large groups and bus tours are welcome as we have ample parking.

What we recommend: We have classes in patchwork, tapestry, spinning, and crochet, so if you want to learn something new, or expand your crafting knowledge, why not join up?

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11. Kingaroy SOMETHINGS COUNTRY

Where's Kingaroy: Kingaroy is 2.5 hours northwest of Brisbane, and about two-three hours from everywhere: two hours from Toowoomba and 2.5 hours from Sunshine Coast and Bundaberg.

Where in Kingaroy: 180 Kingaroy Street. Right in the main street of Kingaroy and conveniently located next to a coffee lounge to perk you up during your shopping spree!

Who plays host: Janelle Frohloff is the owner and helped by her very capable staff consisting of Helen and Jenni. Janelle's lovely husband and young kids are also a common feature in the shop, helping out after work and school whenever possible.

Worth visiting because: Somethings Country is a destination in its own right and we have two aspects of the store – Somethings Country Gifts & Homewares and Somethings Country My Quilting Shop. Not only do we stock a large volume of fabrics, we also have loads of precuts, tools (including the June Tailor ranges), loads of Moda jelly rolls and stacks of quilt hangers too. Our country and shabby chic inspired gifts and homewares shop is huge and perfect to browse through – when you're done looking at fabrics that is! Many giftware items are exclusive to us in Queensland as we import directly from overseas as well. We always welcome groups and bus tours, just give us some prior notice so we can open the shop.

What we recommend: We love the June Tailor Shape Cut Plus – this is Janelle's favourite tool of the moment! It's a tremendous



time saver when cutting fabric. And being a country-style shop, we specialise in country-style fabrics – anything with farm animals, we will stock it!

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