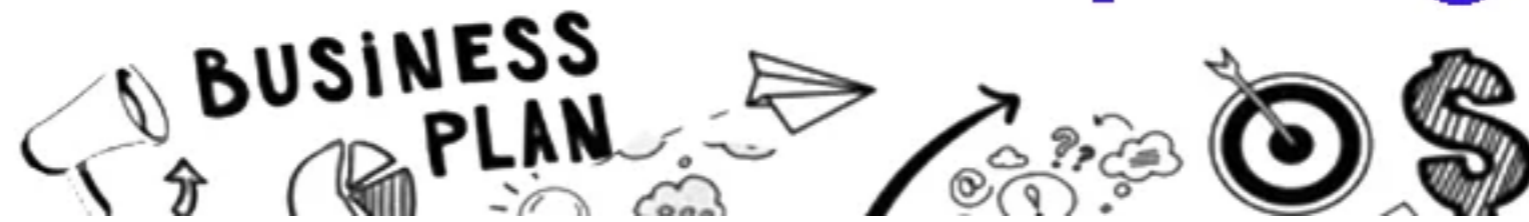


Want a career in quilting?



Quilt and Pattern Designer Cristina De Miranda

I first met Cristina through the Toronto Modern Quilt Guild, just before Covid broke. She has been crafting and creating since her early years watching *Art Attack* on TVO. A tactile world of colour, pattern, and design appeared before her when a colleague introduced her to quilting in 2018. Cristina quickly dusted off her sewing machine and dived into a plethora of designer fabrics. Today, she is totally and irreversibly immersed in a whimsical world called *Ships & Violins*. She is also a valuable member of the Fabric Spark staff in Toronto.

She has approached her growing business with the same enthusiasm and determination she demonstrated on long-distance thru-hikes in Colorado and Newfoundland. She believes that setting and celebrating milestones has made the journey of building a small business rewarding and sustainable.



Her quilt patterns are adventures in design and capture her continued curiosity in the relationship between concept and construction. Some of her most popular patterns are Alentejana, Flight Series, and her growing collection of star blocks in the [Constellations Series](#). She has had her works displayed at QuiltCon, served as an Aurifil Artisan, and presented lectures to quilters across Canada and the USA with great success.

Cristina is based in Toronto, Canada, and works from her home studio where her husky-shepherd, Maia, keeps her company.. AND she will soon be joined by a new baby any day now!

You can find her patterns and learn more about Cristina by visiting www.shipsandviolins.com. Here you will also find info on bookings, blogs, free tutorials, and events.



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