



Hand Needle Guide

Needle	Eye	Shank	Tip	Size	Use
Universal	Small, round or Long, open	Various	Sharp	7-9	Various
Sharps	Small	Medium	Sharp	1-4	Medium - Heavy Hand sewing, dressmaking, etc.
Sharps	Small	Medium	Sharp	5-10	Light - Medium Hand sewing, dressmaking, etc.
Sharps	Small	Medium	Sharp	11-12	Fine hand sewing, dressmaking, etc.
Ballpoint	Small, round		Rounded		Knits
Embroidery (Crewel)	Large, elongated	Various	Sharp	9-16	Intricate stitching
Embroidery	Medium	Various	Sharp	1-16	Intricate stitching for light/midweight woven fabric or felt. Threads = floss, pearl cotton, wool, linen
Chenille	Large, elongated	Various	Sharp	13-26	Embroidery with thick yarn, floss, or ribbon
Tapestry	Large, elongated	Various	Blunt	13-14	Open weave like cross-stitch (Aida)
Tapestry	Large, elongated	Various	Blunt	16-20	Open weave tapestry
Tapestry	Large, elongated	Various	Blunt	22-28	Open weave like cross-stitch/Petit Point
Quilting (Betweens)	Small	Short	Sharp	5-12	Piecing and quilting
Beading	Small	Long, fine	Sharp	10-15	Beads or sequins
Darners	Large, elongated	Various	Blunt	1-18	Sewing knitted pieces together, mending
Milliners	Small	Medium	Sharp	5-10	hat making, straw
Upholstery	Wide, open	Curved	Sharp	3-18	Tight spaces
Bodkins	Wide, open	Large	Blunt		Threading ribbon, elastic, etc.
Glovers (Leatherwork)	Large, elongated	Flattened	Sharp	3-9	Leather
Sailmakers	Large, elongated	Curved	Sharp	various	Sail, canvas