

Sewing Machine Review: Janome Memory Craft 15000

Description



Iâ??ve had many sewing machines over the years. A cheap, beginner Brother that I used when I lived in Paris. I didnâ??t have a table so it would sit with me on the floor, crouched over, a foot out to control the pedals. I didnâ??t know what a hem was really, I draped and sewed with reckless abandon and wore almost none of it.

Then an old Elna which weighed so much I had to carry it to my sixth floor apartment in stages. And when it started smoking half way through quilting the three layers of my first ever full-size quilt, I upgraded to a fancy Bernina B 350. My first new machine.



The machine was brilliantâ??itâ??s still brilliant and I highly recommend itâ?? but itâ??s not the one Iâ??m reviewing today. Because when my partner came into some cash and asked me what kind of thing Iâ??d want if I was going to really splash out, my inner child answered: a sewing machine that can do embroidery. Iâ??d heard that a nearby school had one when I was a child and had never quite got the dream of it out of my head. Thereâ??s just something about embroidery that I find pure magic. I did a lot of research, spoke to a bunch of machine technicians about which ones had the most issues and settled on the Janome Memory Craft 15000.



And listen, I donâ??t believe that a good machine makes for a good sewist, but my gosh, does this machine help. Itâ??s solidâ??like insanely heavy, solidâ?? unfailingly neat, surprisingly quiet and it sews a invisible zip *invisibly* and gets through so many layers that the only thing youâ??ll be worried about are your fingers. Itâ??s got that complicated look and a screen that lets you pick from one of their many many stitches, plus all the fancy gadgets that made me almost a little shy to admit that this was my machine and not some sturdy, classic one that feels a little more me. But when you flip the embroidery arm out and it gets going, the childish excitement is real.



Last year I made fifty items of clothing on that machine. When you spend that long using a tool it either becomes your companion or your nemesis. Letâ??s just say that my bestie is turning three this year and still the best buying decision I ever made. Imagine, I could have asked for a handbag or a holiday? Instead I got a literal childhood dream come true.

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