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114 years old - started in 1893 – still owned by the same family and run by the fourth generation
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Model 105 in 1832
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1963 on the 730
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A mountain in the Swiss Alps
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Keeps the fabric from “flagging” (traveling up the needle) during free-motion stitching
6. What is the current name of the parent company of BERNINA of America?
BERNINA International – changed from Fritz Gegauf AG
7. What is the first BERNINA model to have patented one-piece clip-on presser feet?
Model 530 in 1954
8. How many presser feet and accessories are available for BERNINA machines?
Over 75 specialty presser feet and accessories
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Releases the tension and lowers the feed teeth
10. How many ways can you raise and lower the needle on BERNINA machines?
Handwheel, Needle Stop up/Down function, tapping the back of the foot control, Start/Stop Unit, On/Off button (Note: not all models are equipped with all methods)
11. What is one of the main advantages of the ART engine?
Enables the rescaling of designs, recalculating the number of stitches needed to enlarge or reduce the design while maintaining the same look.
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BSR – BERNINA Stitch Regulator offers even, consistent free-motion stitches