

# Earth Song

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



51" x 60"

**Skill Level:** Confident Beginner**Finished Quilt Size:** 51" x 60"

*Please read all instructions before beginning. Pre-washing recommended for hand dye only.  
Pre-washing NOT recommended for other fabrics.*

## Yardages and Cutting

*WOF is width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. Remove as little fabric as possible when removing selvages and squaring strip ends.*

### Earth Song panel

- Trim to 23 1/2" x 32 1/2".

### 1/2 yard elephant print

- Fussy-cut (4) 7 1/2" squares, centering on an elephant in each square.

### 5/8 yard stripe print

- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

### 1 3/4 yards black solid

- 2 strips 4 3/8" x WOF; cut into (16) 4 3/8" squares.
- 8 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 4 strips each 35 1/2" and 26 1/2" for border units.
- 4 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips each 32 1/2" and 26 1/2" for panel framing.
- 5 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for next to outer border.
- 2 strips 2 7/8" x WOF; cut into (16) 2" squares.

### 3/4 yard animal print

- 4 strips 4 1/2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips each 35 1/2" and 26 1/2".

### 1 yard jungle print

- 6 strips 4" x WOF for outer border.

### 3 3/4 yards 44/45" backing fabric

### 4 1/4 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 66" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 75" x WOF for directional fabric

### OR

### 2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 66" x 75"

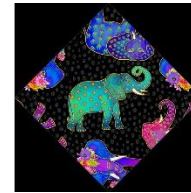
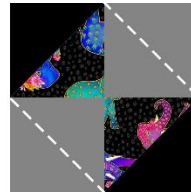
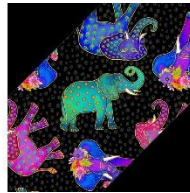
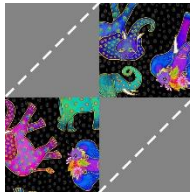
### Batting

- 1 piece 66" x 75"

## Piecing the Units

*Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed.*

1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the 4 3/8" and 2 7/8" black squares.
2. Place marked 4 3/8" squares right sides together on opposite corners of each elephant square. Sew on the lines. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the triangles open with seams toward the elephant square. Repeat on the remaining corners of the elephant squares to complete (4) 7 1/2" x 7 1/2" corner units.



**Corner Unit — Make 4**

3. Repeat step 2 with marked 2 7/8" squares on the corners of the animal print strips to make 2 each long and short border strips **except** press seams toward the black triangles.



**Border Strip — Make 2 each long & short**

4. Referring to the diagram below, sew each border strip lengthwise between 2 same-length 2" black strips to make (2) 7 1/2" x 35 1/2" long border units and (2) 7 1/2" x 26 1/2" short border units. Press seams toward the black strips.



**Border Unit — Make 2 each long & short**

## Completing the Quilt

1. Sew (2) 2" x 32 1/2" black strips to the sides of the panel and (2) 2" x 26 1/2" black strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Stitch the long border units to the sides of the panel. Press seams toward the units.

3. Sew corner units to the ends of the short border units to make (2) 40 1/2" borders. Press seams toward the border units. Stitch to the top and bottom of the panel section. Press seams toward the borders.

4. Stitch the (5) 2 1/2" x WOF black solid strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 49 1/2" and 44 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.

5. Stitch the (6) 4" x WOF jungle print strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 53 1/2" and 51 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.



6. If using 44/45" backing fabric, remove the selvage edges from the backing pieces. Join the pieces on the long edges with a 1/2" seam allowance. Press seam open. Trim to make the 66" x 75" backing piece.

7. Layer the quilt top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

8. Join the stripe print binding strips on the short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip. Press seams in one direction. Press the strip in half along the length with wrong sides together.

9. Bind the quilt edges using your favorite method to complete the quilt.