

Hot Air Balloons at Sunrise

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



57" x 65"

*Please read all instructions before beginning.
Pre-washing recommended for hand dyes only. Pre-washing NOT recommended for panel and prints.*

Yardages and Cutting

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

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- Trim to 33 1/2" x 41 1/2".

1/4 yard balloon print

Prepare a 4 1/2"-square clear template.

- Fussy-cut (4) 4 1/2" squares using template, centering a balloon in each square.

3/4 yard ombre

- 12 strips 1 1/2" x WOF.
 - From 4 strips, measure and cut 22 1/2" from the yellow end. Label **A**.
 - From 4 strips, measure and cut 22 1/2" from the the pink end. Label **B**.
 - From the 4 remaining strips, measure and cut 18 1/2" from the yellow end. Label **C**. Measure and cut 18 1/2" from the pink end. Label **D**.

3/4 yard pink/purple hand dye

- 4 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 2 each 41 1/2" and 36 1/2" strips for panel framing.
- 6 strips 2" x WOF for border.

7/8 yard blue-violet hand dye

- 2 strips 2 7/8" x WOF; cut into (16) 2 7/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 32 triangles.
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

1 5/8 yards blue hand dye

- 1 strip 5 1/4" x WOF; cut into (4) 5 1/4" squares and (16) 1 1/2" squares. Cut the 5 1/4" squares twice diagonally to make 16 triangles.
- 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (16) 2 1/2" squares.
- 4 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for border units.
- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for border units.
- 4 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for border units.
- 6 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for border.

4 1/4 yards of 42" backing fabric OR

4 5/8 yards of directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 73" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 81" x WOF for directional backing

OR

2 1/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 73" x 81"

Batting

- 1 piece 73" x 81"

Piecing the Blocks & Border Units

Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press all seams toward the black solid strips and pieces or as directed.

1. Sew a 2 7/8" blue-violet triangle to the short sides of each 5 1/4" blue triangle to make (16) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" point units. Press seams toward the blue-violet triangles.

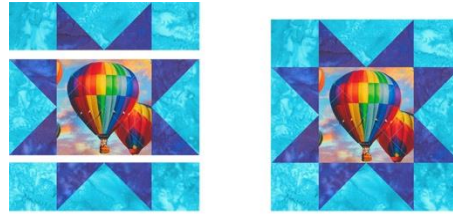


Point Unit — Make 16

2. Referring to the diagram on the next page, stitch a 2 1/2" blue square to each end of 8 point units to make (8) 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" top/bottom rows. Press seams toward the squares.

3. Stitch a point unit to opposite sides of each 4 1/2" balloon square to make (4) 4 1/2" x 8 1/2" center rows. Press seams toward the balloon squares.

4. Sew each center row between 2 top/bottom rows to make (4) 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" Star blocks. Press seams toward the top/bottom rows.



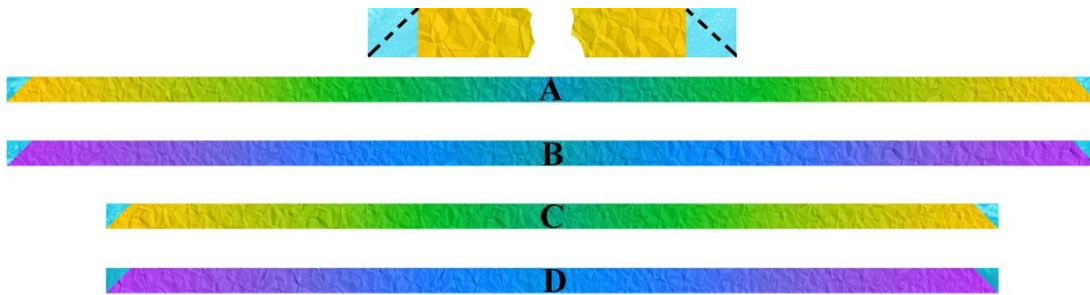
Star Block — Make 4

5. Sew 2 A strips together on the blue ends to make a 1 1/2" x 44 1/2" A strip. Press seam to 1 side. Repeat to make a second A strip. Repeat with B strips to make 2 B strips.

6. Stitch 2 C strips together on the green ends to make a 1 1/2" x 36 1/2" C strip. Press seam to 1 side. Repeat to make a second C strip. Repeat with D strips to make 2 D strips, joining on the blue ends.

7. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each 1 1/2" blue square.

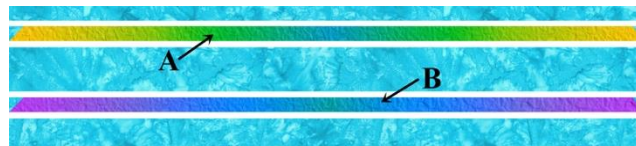
8. Place a marked square right sides together on each end of an A strip. Sew on the marked lines. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the blue corners open to complete an angled A strip. Repeat with the remaining A strip and the B, C and D strips.



Make 2 each A–D angled strips

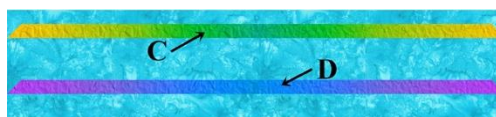
9. Sew the (4) 3 1/2" x WOF blue strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to 1 side. Cut into 2 strips each 36 1/2" and 44 1/2". Repeat with the (4) 2 1/2" x WOF blue strips and (4) 1 1/2" x WOF blue strips.

10. Stitch a 3 1/2" x 44 1/2" blue strip between angled A and B strips. Add a 2 1/2" x 44 1/2" blue strip to the B side and 1 1/2" x 44 1/2" blue strip to the A side to complete (1) 8 1/2" x 44 1/2" side border unit. Press seams toward the blue strips. Repeat to make a second side border unit.



Side Border Unit — Make 2

11. Repeat step 10 with the angled C and D strips and 36 1/2" blue strips to make the 8 1/2" x 36 1/2" top and bottom border units.



Top/Bottom Border Unit — Make 2

Completing the Quilt

1. Sew the 2" x 41 1/2" pink/purple strips to the long sides of the panel and the 2" x 36 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the 36 1/2" x 44 1/2" framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.

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

3. Sew a Star block to each end of the top and bottom border units. Press seams toward the blocks. Stitch to the top and bottom of the panel section to complete the 52 1/2" x 60 1/2" quilt center. Press seams toward the top and bottom borders.

4. Stitch the 1 1/2" x WOF blue strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 60 1/2" and 54 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the long sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

5. Repeat step 4 with the 2" x WOF pink/purple strips to complete the top, cutting 2 strips each 62 1/2" and 57 1/2".

6. If using 42" 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 the edges to make the 73" x 81" backing piece.

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

8. Join the blue-violet hand-dye 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. Bind the quilt edges using your favorite method to complete the quilt.

