

Father Christmas

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



59" x 53"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 59" x 53"

*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.

Father Christmas panel

- Trim to 40 1/2" wide x 34 1/2" tall.

1/4 yard red texture

- 4 strips 1 1/2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips each 40 1/2" and 36 1/2" for panel framing.

2/3 yard green stars

- 3 strips 6 1/2" x WOF; cut into (13) 6 1/2" squares.

1/3 yard blue stars

- 1 strip 6 1/2" x WOF; cut into (4) 6 1/2" squares.

1 1/4 yards red snowflakes

- 3 strips 6 1/2" x WOF; cut into (13) 6 1/2" squares.
- 6 strips 3" x WOF for border.

5/8 yard deep red hand dye

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

1 1/4 yards white texture

- 10 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (112) 3 1/2" squares.

4 yards 44/45" backing fabric

- 2 strips 69" x WOF

OR

2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 75" x 69"

Batting

- 1 piece 75" x 69"

Completing the Quilt

Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed. Refer to the exploded quilt diagram on the next page as needed.

1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the white texture squares.
2. Place marked squares right sides together on opposite corners of a blue stars square. Sew on the lines. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the triangles over with seams pressed open. Repeat to make (4) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" corner units.



Corner Unit — Make 4

3. Repeat step 2 with white texture squares on all corners of the 6 1/2" red and green squares to make (13) each 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" red units **except** press seams in the top left and lower right toward the triangles and in the top right and lower left toward the center.



Red & Green Units — Make 13 of each

4. Sew the 1 1/2" x 40 1/2" red texture strips to the top and bottom of the panel and the 1 1/2" x 36 1/2" strips to the sides. Press seams toward the strips.
5. Stitch 3 each red and green units top to bottom to make a 6 1/2" x 36 1/2" side strip. Press seams to one side. Repeat to make a second side strip. Sew the strips to the sides of the framed panel. Press seams toward the panel.
6. Sew 4 green units together with 3 red units. Press seams to one side. Add a corner unit to each end to complete the 6 1/2" x 54 1/2" top strip. Press seams to one side and toward the corner units. Repeat with 4 red units and 3 green units to make the bottom strip. Stitch the strips to the top and bottom of the panel section to complete the 54 1/2" x 48 1/2" quilt center. Press seams toward the strips.
7. Stitch the 3" x WOF red snowflakes strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 48 1/2" and 59 1/2". Sew the 48 1/2" strips to the sides of the quilt center and the 59 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.
8. 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 75" x 69" backing piece.
9. Layer the quilt top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.
10. Join the deep red 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.

