

Shawl Dancers

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



49 1/2" x 49 1/2"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 49 1/2" x 49 1/2"

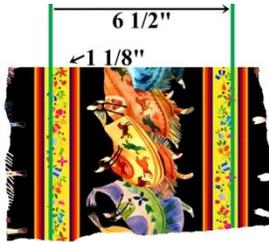
Please read all instructions before beginning. Pre-washing NOT recommended.

Yardages and Cutting

WOF is width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. LOF is length of fabric, parallel to the selvage edges. Remove as little fabric as possible when removing selvages and squaring strip ends.

1 1/2 yards black border stripe

- 4 strips 6 1/2" x LOF, beginning 1 1/8" above a dancer stripe and then cutting 6 1/2" over from there as shown. Trim to (4) 50" strips.



7/8 yard blue border stripe

- 4 strips 6 1/2" x LOF, cutting in the same way as the black border stripe. Trim to (4) 25" strips.

1/2 yard blue dancer print

- 1 strip 12 7/8" x WOF; cut into (2) 12 7/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 4 triangles.

3/8 yard black dancer print

- 1 square 9" x 9".

5/8 yard blue flower print

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

1 1/8 yards black solid

- 5 strips 3" x WOF for outer border.
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF; cut into 2 strips each 33", 29 1/2", 24 1/2" and 21"

3 3/4 yards 44/45" backing fabric

- 2 strips 65" x WOF

OR

2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 65" x 65"

Batting

- 1 piece 65" x 65"

Completing the Quilt

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

1. Center and sew 25" blue border stripe strips to all sides of the black dancer square, beginning, ending and locking stitches 1/4" from the corners of the square. Miter corners using your favorite method, checking to be sure that all corners lie flat and stripe sections match. Trim mitered corner seams to 1/4" and press open. Press border seams toward the border strips.

2. Sew 2 1/4" x 21" black strips to the sides of the dancer square and 2 1/4" x 24 1/2" strips to the remaining sides to complete the 24 1/2" x 24 1/2" dancer square. Press seams toward the strips.

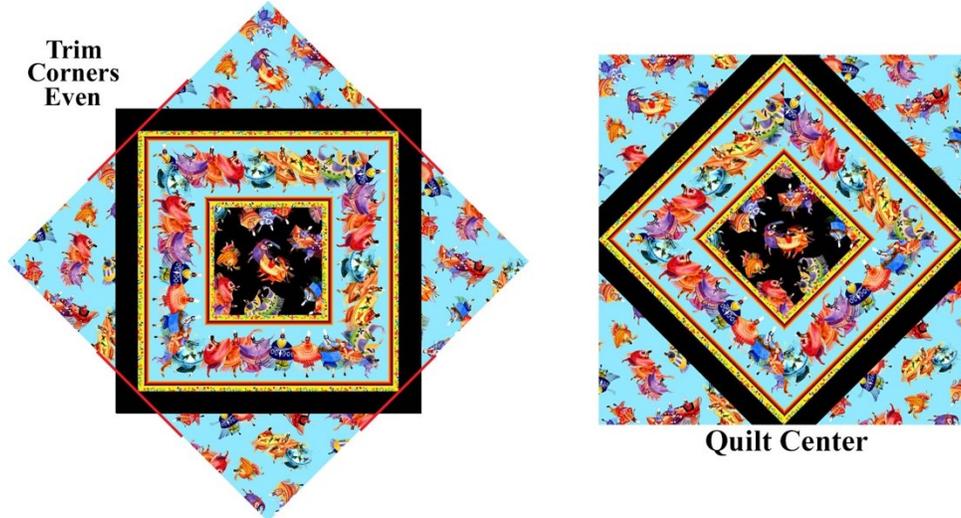


Dancer Square

3. Fold the dancer square in half and in half again with right sides together. Finger-press the folds to crease the center of each side. Fold the blue dancer triangles in half with wrong sides together. Finger-press the fold to crease the center of the long side.

4. Place a triangle right sides together on each edge of the dancer square, matching and pinning at the center creases. Pin at the ends of each triangle to prevent stretching. Stitch in place. Press seams toward the triangles.

5. Trim the black corners of the dancer square even with the edges of the triangles to complete the 29 1/2" x 29 1/2" quilt center.



6. Stitch 2 1/4" x 29 1/2" black strips to the sides of the quilt center and 2 1/4" x 33" strips to the remaining sides. Press seams toward the strips.

7. Repeat step 1 to add the black border stripe strips to the sides of the quilt center.

8. Sew the 3" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 50" and 45". Stitch the shorter strips to the sides of the quilt center and the longer strips to the remaining sides to complete the quilt. Press seams toward the strips.

9. 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 65" x 65" backing piece.

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

11. Join the blue flower print binding strips on the short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip. Press seams open. Press the strip in half along the length with wrong sides together.

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

