

# *Dreaming of Summer*

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



70" x 70"

**Skill Level:** Intermediate

**Finished Block Size:** 12" x 12"

**Finished Quilt Size:** 70" x 70"

**Number of Blocks:** 12

*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 42" width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. Remove as little fabric as possible when squaring strip ends.*

### 1 yellow Dream Big panel

- Remove selvages and square all edges.
- Cut (1) 12 1/2" x WOF strip from the top edge and 1 from the bottom edge; cut (1) 12 1/2" square from each end of the 2 strips to make 4 corner squares.

### 1 pink Dream Big panel

*Label squares with the letters given in the cutting steps.*

- Remove selvages and square all edges.
- Cut (1) 12 1/2" x WOF strip from the top edge and 1 from the bottom edge; cut (1) 12 1/2" **A** square from each end of the strips. Cut (1) 12 1/2" **B** square from the center of each strip.
- Cut (1) 12 1/2" x WOF strip from the center of panel; cut (1) 12 1/2" **C** square from each end and (1) 12 1/2" **D** square from the center.

### 2 5/8 yards black hand dye

- 2 strips 14" x WOF; cut into (32) 2 5/8" x 14" strips.
- 2 strips 6 7/8" x WOF; cut into (12) 6 7/8" squares.
- 2 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (24) 3 1/2" squares.
- 7 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for border.
- 8 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

### 3 yards sunrise ombre

- 8 strips 4 1/2" x WOF for border.
- 1 strip 64" x WOF; cut (1) 9" x 64" piece from the yellow edge and set aside for another project.
- Cut remainder into (2) 16 1/2" x 64" pieces— 1 pink and 1 gold. Cut each piece into the following:
  - 12 strips 2 5/8" x 16 1/2"; trim to 14" strips.
  - 3 strips 6 7/8" x 16 1/2"; cut into (6) 6 7/8" squares.
  - 3 strips 3 1/2" x 16 1/2"; cut into (12) 3 1/2" squares.

### 4 3/4 yards of 42" backing fabric

- 2 strips 84" x WOF

**OR**

### 2 1/2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 84" x 84"

### Batting

- 1 piece 84" x 84"

## Piecing the Blocks

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

1. Sew a 2 5/8" x 14" gold strip to a 2 5/8" x 14" black strip to make a 4 3/4" x 14" gold unit. Press seam toward the black strip. Repeat to make 12 gold units. Repeat with pink strips and black strips to make 12 pink units **except** press seam toward the pink strip.



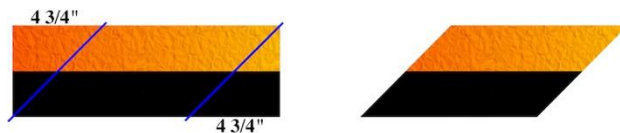
**Gold Unit — Make 12**



**Pink Unit — Make 12**

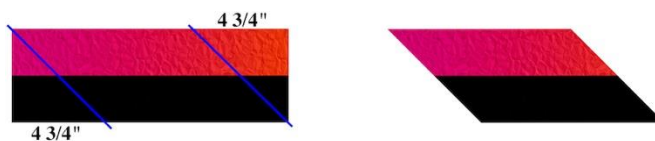
2. Apply a light coat of spray starch or spray stabilizer to the wrong side of each unit and press dry.

3. Layer 4 gold units right side up on your cutting mat with gold at the top and black at the bottom of each unit. Measure and mark  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " from the top left corner and from the bottom right corner. Trim from the marks to the corners as shown to make 4 gold angled units. Repeat to make 12 gold angled units.



**Gold Angled Unit — Make 12**

4. Repeat to make 12 pink angled units **except** measure and mark  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " from the bottom left corner and the top right corner before trimming as shown.



**Pink Angled Unit — Make 12**

5. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each gold, pink and black  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

6. Place a marked gold square on opposite corners of a  $6\frac{7}{8}$ " black square. Sew on the marked lines. Trim seam allowance  $\frac{1}{4}$ " out from the stitching. Press the gold triangles open. Repeat to make 6 pieced squares. Cut each square in half on the unpieced diagonal to make (12)  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " gold A triangle units. Repeat with marked pink squares and the remaining  $6\frac{7}{8}$ " black squares to make 12 pink A triangle units.



**A Triangle Units — Make 12 of each color**

7. Repeat step 6 with marked black squares and  $6\frac{7}{8}$ " gold and pink squares to make 12 each gold and pink B triangle units.



**B Triangle Units — Make 12 of each color**

8. Sew a gold A triangle unit to the gold edge of each gold angled unit. Press seams toward the A units. Add a gold B triangle unit to the black edge to complete (12)  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " gold half-blocks. Press seams away from the B units. Repeat with pink A and B triangle units and angled units to make 12 pink half-blocks **except** press the top seam toward the angled unit and the bottom seam toward the B unit.



**Half-Blocks — Make 12 of each color**

9. Referring to the diagram on the next page, join 1 each gold and pink half-blocks to complete (1)  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Chevron block, carefully matching angled seams. Press seam open. Repeat to make 12 blocks. *Handle the blocks with care to avoid stretching bias edges.*



Chevron Block — Make 12

## Completing the Quilt

1. Sew 2 Chevron blocks together with 2 yellow corner squares and 1 pink B square to make the  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " row 1. Press seams toward the squares. Repeat to make row 5.

2. Stitch 3 Chevron blocks together with 2 pink A squares to make row 2. Press seams toward the squares. Repeat to make row 4.

3. Sew 2 Chevron blocks together with 2 pink C squares and the pink D square to make row 3. Press seams toward the squares.

4. Join the rows to complete the  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " quilt center. Press seams to one side.

5. Sew (2)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF ombre strips together on the yellow edges. Press seam to one side. Trim to  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " to make the left border. Repeat to make the right border. Stitch the borders to the sides of the quilt center. Press seams toward the borders.

6. Repeat step 5 with the remaining ombre strips, trimming strips to  $68\frac{1}{2}$ ". Sew to the remaining sides of the quilt center. Press seams toward the strips.

7. Stitch the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 each  $68\frac{1}{2}$ " strips and  $70\frac{1}{2}$ " strips. Sew the shorter strips to opposite sides of the quilt center and the longer strips to the remaining sides to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.

8. If using 42" backing fabric, remove the selvage edges from the backing pieces. Join the pieces on the long edges with a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Press seams open. Trim to make the 84" x 84" 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 black 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.

