

Raccoon Friends

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



52" x 63"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 52" x 63"

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

Yardages and Cutting

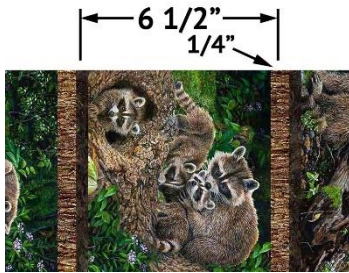
WOF is width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. Remove as little fabric as possible when removing selvages and squaring strip ends.

Raccoon Friends panel

- Trim to 27" wide x 37 1/2" tall, keeping the raccoon frames centered.

1 1/2 yards raccoon border stripe

- Fussy-cut (4) 6 1/2" x LOF strips, first cutting 1/4" above the raccoon stripe and then cutting over from there as shown. Trim to 2 strips each 45" and 34 1/2".



1/4 yard green texture

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

3/4 yard charcoal tonal

- 1 strip 2 7/8" x WOF; cut into (8) 2 7/8" squares.
- 4 strips 3" x WOF; cut into (2) strips each 37 1/2" and 32".

1/2 yard light gray bark

- 4 strips 1 3/4" x WOF; cut into (2) strips each 42 1/2" and 34 1/2".

1 yard light green hand dye

- 1 strip 2 7/8" x WOF; cut into (8) 2 7/8" squares and (4) 2 1/2" squares.
- 6 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.

3/4 yard brown bark

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

4 yards 44/45" backing fabric OR

4 1/2 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 68" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 79" x WOF for directional fabric

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2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 68" x 79"

Batting

- 1 piece 68" x 79"

Piecing the Blocks & Border Units

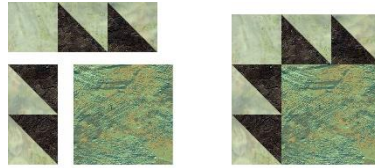
Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed.

1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the 2 7/8" light green hand-dye squares.
2. Place a marked square right sides together with a 2 7/8" charcoal tonal square. Sew 1/4" out on each side of the line. Cut apart on the line. Press open with seam allowance toward the charcoal triangle to make (2) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" triangle units. Repeat to make a total of 16 triangle units.



Triangle Units — Make 16

3. Referring to the diagrams below, join 2 triangle units to make a 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" side strip. Press seam to the charcoal side. Stitch to a 4 1/2" green texture square to make the 4 1/2" x 6 1/2" bottom row. Gently press seam toward the square. Join 2 triangle units and a 2 1/2" light green hand-dye square to make the 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" top strip. Press seam to the charcoal side between the units and toward the square. Sew the strip to the top of the bottom row to complete (1) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" Paw block. Press seam toward the bottom row. Repeat to make a (4) paw blocks.



Paw Block — Make 4

Completing the Quilt

1. Sew the 3" x 37 1/2" charcoal strips to the sides of the panel and the 3" x 32" charcoal strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Sew the 1 3/4" x 42 1/2" light gray bark strips to the sides of the panel and the 1 3/4" x 34 1/2" light gray bark strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

3. Stitch the (2) 6 1/2" x 45" raccoon border stripe strips to the sides of the center.

4. Sew paw blocks to both sides of the 6 1/2" x 34 1/2" raccoon border stripe strips as shown, to make the 6 1/2" x 46 1/2" top row. Repeat to make the bottom row.

5. Stitch the top and bottom rows to the top and bottom of the quilt center, as shown.

6. Stitch the 3 1/2" x WOF light green strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) strips each, 52 1/2" and 60". Sew the longer strips to the sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom to complete the quilt top.

7. 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 to make the 68" x 79" backing piece.

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

9. Join the brown bark 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.

