

Whale Song

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



54" x 70"

*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.

Whale Song panel

- Trim to 26 1/2" x 42 1/2", keeping the cupboard framing even around the top and side edges.

2/3 yard blue tonal

- 2 strips 9 1/4" x WOF; cut into (6) 9 1/4" squares, then cut twice diagonally to make 24 triangles.

2/3 yard teal tonal

- 2 strips 9 1/4" x WOF; cut into (5) 9 1/4" squares, then cut twice diagonally to make 20 triangles.

3/4 yard dark purple tonal

- 6 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for border.

5/8 yard light aqua tonal

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

1 1/2 yards light purple hand dye

- 6 strips 4 7/8" x WOF; cut into (44) 4 7/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 88 triangles.
- 1 strip 4 1/2" x WOF; cut into (8) 4 1/2" squares.
- 4 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips each 42 1/2" and 32 1/2" for panel framing.

5 yards 44/45" backing fabric

- 2 strips 86" x WOF

OR

2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 70" x 86"

Batting

- 1 piece 70" x 86"

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 throughout the following steps.

1. Sew a light purple triangle to the left short edge of 24 blue triangles. Press seam toward the light purple triangle. Repeat on the right short edge to make (24) 4 1/2" x 8 1/2" blue triangle units **except** press seam toward the blue triangle. Repeat with teal triangles to make 20 teal triangle units.



Triangle Units — Make 24 blue and 20 teal

2. Stitch the 3 1/2" x 42 1/2" light purple strips to the long sides of the panel. Press seams toward the strips. Add the 3 1/2" x 32 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the 32 1/2" x 48 1/2" framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.

3. Sew 6 teal triangle units short ends together to make a 4 1/2" x 48 1/2" side strip. Press seams open. Repeat to make a second side strip. Stitch to the sides of the framed panel. Press seams toward the panel.

4. Stitch 4 teal triangle units short ends together and add a 4 1/2" light purple square to each end to make the 4 1/2" x 40 1/2" top strip. Press seams open between the units and toward the squares. Repeat to make the bottom strip. Sew to the top and bottom of the framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.

5. Repeat step 3 with 7 blue triangle units to make (2) 4 1/2" x 56 1/2" side strips. Sew to the sides of the quilt center. Press seams toward the quilt center.

6. Repeat step 4 with 5 blue triangle units and the remaining light purple squares to make the 4 1/2" x 48 1/2" top/bottom strips. Stitch to the top and bottom of the quilt center to complete the 48 1/2" x 64 1/2" pieced center. Press seams toward the strips.

7. Sew the 3 1/2" x WOF dark purple strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 64 1/2" and 54 1/2". Stitch the 64 1/2" strips to the sides of the pieced center and the 54 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 78" x 86" 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 light aqua 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.

