

Tree of Life Celebration

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



82" x 82"

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

Yardages and Cutting

WOF is 42" width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. Remove as little fabric as possible when removing selvages and squaring strip ends. Label pieces with the letter/number combo given in the cutting steps.

Tree of Life Celebration panel

- Trim to 58 1/2" x 58 1/2", keeping frame even all around.

7/8 yard multicolor mottled

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

3/4 yard red herringbone ombre

- 8 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; measuring from the light end of each strip, cut (8) 32 1/2" strips for borders.
- From the remainder of 4 strips, cut (1) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" **R1** and (1) 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" **R2** rectangles (a total of 4 of each rectangle).
- From the remainder of the last 4 strips, cut (1) 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" **R3** rectangle (a total of 4 rectangles.)



2 1/8 yards black solid

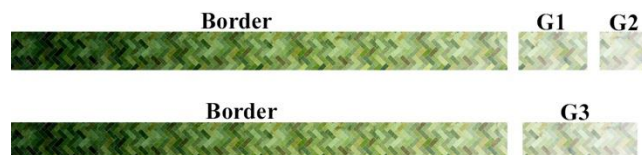
- 13 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for borders.
- 1 strip 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (4) 3 1/2" **B1** squares and (8) 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" **B2** rectangles.

Black solid, continued

- 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (4) 2 1/2" **B3** squares. Set aside remainder for borders.
- 6 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for borders.

3/4 yard green herringbone ombre

- 8 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; measuring from the dark end, cut (8) 32 1/2" strips for borders.
- From the remainder of 4 strips, cut (1) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" **G1** and (1) 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" **G2** rectangles (a total of 4 of each rectangle).
- From the remainder of the last 4 strips, cut (1) 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" **G3** rectangle (a total of 4 rectangles.)



8 1/3 yards of 42" backing fabric

- 3 strips 98" x WOF

OR

2 3/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 98" x 98"

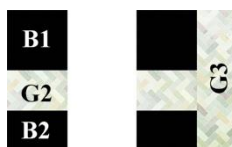
Batting

- 1 piece 98" x 98"

Piecing the Blocks

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

1. Sew each green G2 rectangle between a black B1 square and B2 rectangle to make (4) 3 1/2" x 7 1/2" strips, placing the darker end of G2 at the right. Press seams toward G2. Add a green G3 rectangle to the right edge of each strip to make (4) 5 1/2" x 7 1/2" pieced sections, placing the darker end of G3 at the bottom. Press seam toward G3.



Make 4

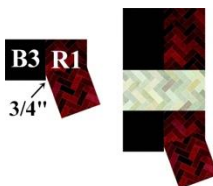
2. Referring to the diagram on the next page, stitch a black B2 rectangle to each red R2 rectangle to make (4) 4 1/2" x 3 1/2" units, placing the darker end of R2 at the top. Press seam toward R2. Add a green G1 rectangle to the

bottom of each unit to make (4) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $5\frac{1}{2}$ " units, placing the darker end of G1 at the right. Press seam toward G1.



Make 4

3. Sew a black B3 square to the darker top edge of each red R1 rectangle, stopping and locking stitching $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the bottom of the square as shown. Press seam toward R1 at the top edge. Stitch a pieced section to the bottom of each pieced unit from step 2. Press seam toward the unit from step 2.



Make 4

4. Stitch a unit from step 3 to right edge of a unit from step 1. Press seam toward the unit from step 1. Move the loose end of the R1 rectangle out of the way. Sew a red R3 rectangle to the bottom of the pieced unit, placing the darker end of R3 at the left. Press seam toward R3. Align the loose end of R1 over the end of R3 and finish stitching the partial seam to complete (1) $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ " Corner block. Press seam toward R1. Repeat to make 4 blocks.



Corner Block — Make 4

Completing the Quilt

Refer to the exploded quilt diagram throughout the following steps.

1. Sew the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to 1 side. Cut into (6) $64\frac{1}{2}$ " strips and (2) $58\frac{1}{2}$ " strips.
2. Repeat step 1 with the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x remaining WOF black strip and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF black strips, cutting (4) $64\frac{1}{2}$ " strips.
3. Stitch (2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $32\frac{1}{2}$ " red herringbone strips together on the light ends to make a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " strip. Press seam to 1 side. Repeat to make 4 strips.
4. Sew (2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $32\frac{1}{2}$ " green herringbone strips together on the dark ends to make a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " strip. Press seam to 1 side. Repeat to make 4 strips.
5. Stitch $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $58\frac{1}{2}$ " black strips to opposite sides of the tree panel and $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the black strips.
6. Sew a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " black strip to a green strip to a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " black strip to a red strip to make a $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $64\frac{1}{2}$ " border unit. Press seams toward the black strips. Repeat to make 4 border units.
7. Stitch a border unit to opposite sides of the framed panel. Press seams toward the framed panel.
8. Sew a Corner block to each end of the 2 remaining border units to make $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $82\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, matching color to color between the border unit and blocks. Press seams toward the Corner blocks. Stitch the strips to the top and bottom of the framed center to complete the top. Press seams toward the framed center.

9. 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 seams open. Trim to make the 98" x 98" 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 multicolor mottled 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.

