

Rainbow Flourish

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



48" x 66"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 48" x 66"

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

Yardages and Cutting

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

Rainbow Flourish panel

- Trim panel to 22 1/2" x 40 1/2".

1 1/4 yards cool ombre

- Cut 4 strips 8 1/2" x WOF, trim from one side to 8 1/2" x 33 1/2".

1 1/4 yards warm ombre

- Cut 4 strips 8 1/2" x WOF, trim from one side to 8 1/2" x 24 1/2".

3/4 yard multicolor print

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

1 1/4 yards black solid

- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; trim to (2) strips each 40 1/2" and 26 1/2" for panel framing.
- 6 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.

3 1/2 yards 42" backing fabric OR

4 1/2 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 63" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 81" x WOF directional backing

OR

1 3/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 63" x 81"

Batting

- 1 piece 63" x 81"

Completing the Quilt

Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press all seams as directed. Refer to the exploded quilt diagram on the next page as needed throughout the following steps.

1. Sew the 2 1/2" x 26 1/2" black strips to the sides of the quilt center and the 2 1/2" x 40 1/2" strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the black strips.
2. Stitch (2) 8 1/2" x 33 1/2" cool ombre strips together at the lighter (untrimmed) short edges to make a left ombre strip. Repeat to make the right ombre strip. See exploded diagram.
3. Repeat step 2 with (2) 8 1/2" x 24 1/2" warm ombre strips to make the top and bottom ombre strips. See exploded diagram.
4. Center and sew (2) cool ombre side strips to the sides of the quilt center, beginning, ending and locking stitches 1/4" from the corners of the quilt center. Repeat with the top/bottom warm ombre strips on the top and bottom. Miter corners using your favorite method, checking to be sure that all corners lie flat and the stripe sections match. Trim mitered corner seams to 1/4" and press open. Press border seams toward the border strips.
5. Stitch the (6) 3 1/2" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each, 60 1/2" and 48 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom of the quilt center to complete the quilt top. Press seams toward the black strips.
6. 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 63" x 81" backing piece.
7. Layer the top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

8. Join the multicolor print 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.

