

Moonlit Halloween Kitties

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



50" x 66"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 50" 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.

Moonlit Halloween Kittens panel

- Trim to 26 1/2" x 42 1/2".

1 1/2 yard orange hand dye

- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (22) 2 1/2" squares and (66) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles.
- 4 strips 1 1/2" x WOF; trim to (2) strips each 42 1/2" and 25 1/2", and 6 1/2".
- 4 strips 1" x WOF; trim to (2) strips each 42 1/2" and 25 1/2".
- 2 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for strip set.
- 2 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for strip set.
- 6 strips 1 1/2" x WOF; cut into (22) 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles and (88) 1 1/2" squares.
- 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (4) strips 2 1/2" x 8".
- 1 strip 2" x WOF; cut into (4) strips 2" x 8".

3/4 yard Halloween Kitty allover

- Fussy cut (4) 8" x 8" squares, centering on a kitty.

3/4 yard bright orange tonal

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

1 3/4 yards black solid

- 2 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (44) 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles.
- 2 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (22) 2 1/2" squares.
- 2 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for strip set.
- 2 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for strip set.
- 2 strip 2" x WOF; trim to 42 1/2".
- 2 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 29 1/2".
- 6 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.
- 3 strips 1 1/2" x WOF; cut (66) 1 1/2" squares.

3 3/4 yards of 44/45" backing fabric OR

4 1/2 yards of directional backing fabric

- 2 pieces 65" x WOF OR
- 2 pieces 81" x WOF for directional fabric

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2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 65" x 81"

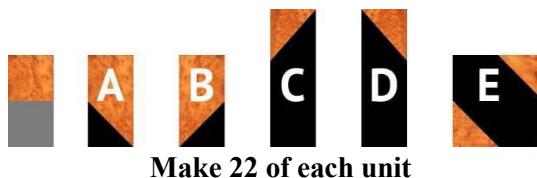
Batting

- 1 piece 65" x 81"

Piecing the Blocks

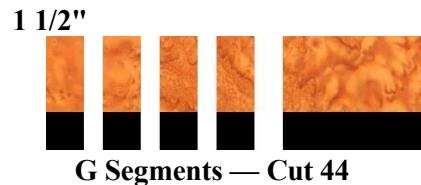
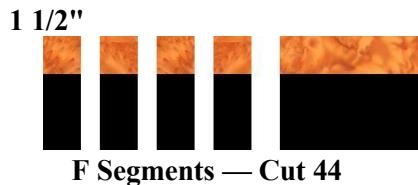
Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press all seams as directed.

1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of all 1 1/2" orange squares and (44) 1 1/2" black squares.
2. Place a marked black square right sides together on 1 end of a 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" orange rectangle. Sew on the line. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the triangle open with seam allowance toward the triangle to complete (1) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" A unit. Repeat to make 22 A units. Repeat to make 22 B units, changing the positioning of the diagonal line before stitching.
3. Repeat step 2 with a marked orange square on 1 end of the 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" black rectangles to make 22 each C and D units, positioning the diagonal line on each rectangle as shown. Repeat with marked orange squares on opposite corners of each 2 1/2" black square to make 22 E units.



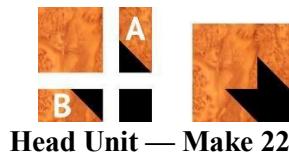
4. Referring to the diagram below, sew a 1 1/2" x WOF orange strip lengthwise together with a 2 1/2" x WOF black strip to make a 3 1/2" x WOF strip set. Repeat to make a second strip set. Press seam toward the black strip. Crosscut the strip set into (44) 1 1/2" F segments.

5. Repeat step 4 with 1 1/2" x WOF black and 2 1/2" x WOF orange strips to make (2) 3 1/2" x WOF strip sets and crosscut into (44) 1 1/2" G segments.



6. Stitch an A unit to a 2 1/2" orange square to make a 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" row. Press seam toward the square. Sew a B unit to a 1 1/2" black square to make a 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" row. Join the rows to complete (1) 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" head unit. Press seam toward the bottom row. Repeat to make 22 head units.

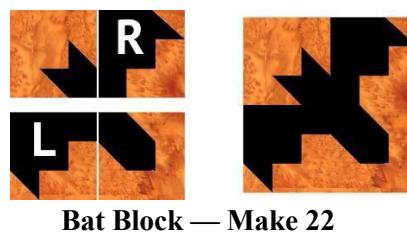
7. Stitch a 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" orange rectangle to an E unit to make a 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" row. Press seam toward the rectangle. Add a 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" orange rectangle to complete (1) 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" tail unit. Press seam toward the rectangle. Repeat to make 28 tail units.



8. Sew a C unit to an F segment to a G segment to make a 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" right wing unit. Press seams toward the F segment. Repeat to make 22 right wing units. Repeat to make 22 left wing units **except** use D units instead of the C units.



9. Sew a head unit to a right (R) wing unit to make the 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" top row. Press seam toward the wing unit. Stitch a left (L) wing unit to a tail unit to make the bottom row. Press seam toward the wing unit. Join the rows to complete (1) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" Bat block. Press seam open. Repeat to make 22 blocks.



Completing the Quilt

Refer to the exploded quilt diagram on the next page throughout the following steps.

1. Stitch the 2" x 42 1/2" black strips to the long sides of the panel. Then sew the 2" x 29 1/2" black strips to the top and bottom of the panel. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Sew 7 Bat blocks top to bottom (flying left) to make a 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" strip. Press seams open. Repeat to make a second strip (flying right). Stitch a 1 1/2" x 42 1/2" orange strip to the left and a 1" x 42 1/2" orange strip to the right of the left flying strip. Stitch a 1 1/2" x 42 1/2" orange strip to the right and a 1" x 42 1/2" orange strip to the left of the right flying strip. Then sew a 2" x 8" orange strip to the top and bottom of both side strips.

3. Stitch the side strips to the right and left of the framed panel, as shown in the exploded diagram. Press seams toward the framed panel.

4. Sew 2 left flying bat blocks, a 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" orange strip, and 2 right flying bat blocks together, left to right, as shown in the exploded diagram to make a 25 1/2" x 6 1/2" top/bottom strip. Press seams open. Repeat to make a second strip. Stitch a 1 1/2" x 25 1/2" orange strip to the top and a 1" x 25 1/2" orange strip to the bottom of both strips. Then sew a 2 1/2" x 8" orange strip to the left and right of both strips, and a 8" x 8" kitty square to the left and right of both top/bottom strips.
5. Stitch the top/bottom strips to the top and bottom of the framed panel, as shown in the exploded diagram. Press seams toward the framed panel.
6. 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 50 1/2" strips. Sew the longer strips to the long sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips to complete the quilt top.
7. 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 65" x 81" backing piece.
8. Layer the top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.
9. Join the bright orange tonal 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.

