

Aurora Owl

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



58 1/2" x 66"

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

Finished Quilt Size: 58 1/2" x 66"

*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.

1 Aurora Owl panels

- Trim to 32" x 41 1/2".

7/8 yard aurora print

- 3 strips 8 3/4" x WOF; cut into (12) 8 3/4" squares, then cut twice diagonally to make 48 triangles.

5/8 yard amethyst tonal

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

1 1/4 yards black solid

- 6 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.
- 2 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; trim to 41 1/2" for panel framing.
- 2 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; trim to 38" for panel framing.

1 1/8 yards aqua hand dye

- 6 strips 4 5/8" x WOF; cut into (48) 4 5/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 96 triangles.
- 1 strip 4 1/4" x WOF; cut into (8) 4 1/4" squares.

4 1/4 yards 42" backing fabric OR

4 2/3 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 74" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 82" x WOF directional backing

OR

2 1/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 74" x 82"

Batting

- 1 piece 74" x 82"

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 an aqua triangle to the left short edge of each aurora triangle. Press seam toward the aqua triangle. Repeat on the right short edge to make (48) 4 1/4" x 8" triangle units **except** press seam toward the aurora triangle.



Triangle Unit — Make 48

2. Stitch the 3 1/2" x 41 1/2" black strips to the long sides of the panel. Press seams toward the strips. Add the 2 1/2" x 38" strips to the top and bottom to complete the 38" x 45 1/2" framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.
3. Sew 6 triangle units short ends together to make a 4 1/4" x 45 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 5 triangle units short ends together and add a 4 1/4" aqua square to each end to make the 4 1/4" x 45 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 triangle units to make (2) 4 1/4" x 53" side strips. Sew to the sides of the quilt center. Press seams toward the quilt center.
6. Repeat step 4 with 6 triangle units and the remaining aqua squares to make the 4 1/4" x 53" top/bottom strips. Stitch to the top and bottom of the quilt center to complete the 53" x 60 1/2" pieced center. Press seams toward the strips.

7. Sew the 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 59". Stitch the 60 1/2" strips to the sides of the pieced center and the 59" strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.

8. 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 74" x 82" 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 amethyst 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.

