

# Joyful Christmas Pets

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



63" x 57"

**Skill Level:** Confident Beginner

**Finished Quilt Size:** 63" x 57"

*Please read all instructions before beginning. Pre-washing recommended for hand dyes only. Prewashing Not recommended for other fabrics.*

## Yardages and Cutting

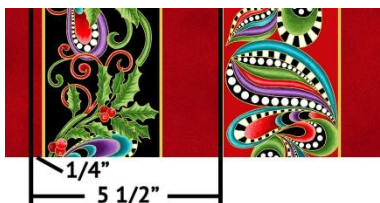
WOF is 42" width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. LOF is length of fabric, parallel to the selvage edges.  
Remove as little fabric as possible when trimming selvages and squaring strip ends.

### 1 Christmas Pets Panel

- Carefully trim all (9) Christmas Pet frames to 14" x 12", centering the images.

### 2 yards border stripe

- 2 LOF strips each 5 1/2" x 68" and 5 1/2" x 62", beginning 1/4" from one edge of the black background stripe on 1 side, then cutting 5 1/2" wide as shown.



### 1/2 yard light green hand dye

- 5 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (9) 2 1/2" x 16" strips.

### 1 yard dark green hand dye

- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (9) 2 1/2" x 12" strips and (9) 2 1/2" squares
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

### 1 yard burgundy hand dye

- 3 strips 2" x WOF; cut into (6) 2" x 14" strips
- 8 strips 2" x WOF

### 4 yards of 42" backing fabric

- 2 strips 72" x WOF

**OR**

### 2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 78" x 72"

### Batting

- 1 piece 78" x 72"

## Completing the Window Blocks

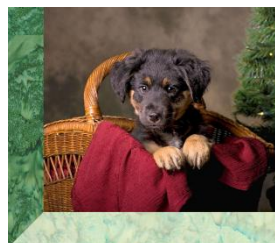
*Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed.*

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each dark green 2 1/2" square.
2. Place a marked square on 1 end of a 2 1/2" x 16" light green strip as shown. Sew on the line. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the dark green triangle open to complete 1 bottom window strip. Repeat to make 9 bottom window strips.



**Bottom Window Strip – Make 9**

3. Sew a 2 1/2" x 12" dark green strip to the left edge of each animal square. Press seams toward the squares. Add a bottom window strip to the bottom of the animal frame to make the Window Blocks. Press seams toward the strips.



**WindowBlock (make 9)**

# Completing the Quilt

*Reference the Exploded Quilt Diagram for the following instructions.*

1. Arrange the (9) animal Window Blocks into three rows of three. Stitch two 2" x 14" burgundy hand-dye strips between three of the blocks to form a row. Make three rows. Press seams toward the burgundy strips.
2. Stitch the 2" x WOF burgundy strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 each 44", 50", and 53" strips. Label each pair of strips.
3. Sew a 2" x 50" burgundy strip to both long edges of the center row. Press seams toward the strips.
4. Sew the rows to the top and bottom of the center row to complete the 50" x 44" quilt center. Press seams toward the burgundy strips.
5. Sew the 2" x 44" strips to the sides of the quilt center and the 2" x 53" strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.
6. Center and sew the 5 1/2" x 62" border stripe strips to the sides of the quilt center, beginning, ending and securing stitching 1/4" from the corners of the quilt center. Repeat with the 5 1/2" x 68" strips on the top and bottom edges. 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.
7. 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 78" x 72" backing piece.

8. Layer the quilt top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

9. Join the dark green hand-dye binding strips on the short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip. Trim seam allowance to 1/4". 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.



**Exploded Quilt  
Diagram**