

Father Christmas Journey

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



63" x 63"

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

Finished Quilt Size: 63" x 63"

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.

Father Christmas Journey panel

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

1 yard indigo snowflakes

- 1 strip 6 1/4" x WOF; cut into (1) 6 1/4" square. Cut the 6 1/4" square twice diagonally to make 4 triangles.
- 2 strips 4" x WOF; cut into (2) 4" x 7 7/8" rectangles and (16) 4" squares.
- 6 strips 3" x WOF for border.

3/4 yard blue snowflakes

- 3 strips 5 7/8" x WOF; cut into (19) 5 7/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 38 triangles.

5/8 yard stars

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

1 1/4 yards white tonal

- 2 strips 6 1/4" x WOF; cut into (8) 6 1/4" squares and (2) 5 7/8" squares. Cut the 6 1/4" squares twice diagonally to make 36 triangles. Cut the 5 7/8" squares in half diagonally to make 4 triangles.
- 10 strips 2" x WOF for border and panel framing.

4 1/2 yards of 42" backing fabric

- 2 strips 78" x WOF OR

OR

2 1/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 78" x 78"

Batting

- 1 piece 78" x 78"

Piecing the Units

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

1. Sew a 6 1/4" white triangle to opposite sides of a 4" indigo snowflakes square. Press seams toward the triangles. Add a blue snowflakes triangle to the 2 long sides of the pieced strip to make (1) 10 1/2" x 5 1/2" Block unit. Press seams toward the triangles. Repeat to make 8 units.

2. Repeat step 1 to make 8 Side units except change placement of the white triangles on the indigo snowflake squares as shown.



Top/Bottom (T) — Make 8



Side Unit (S) — Make 8

3. Referring to the diagram below, measure and mark 4" from the bottom right corner of a 4" x 7 7/8" indigo snowflakes rectangle. Trim from the mark to the top right corner to make 1 angled piece. Repeat to make a second angled piece.



Angled Piece — Cut 2

4. Stitch a 5 7/8" white triangle to the long edge of an angled piece and a 6 1/4" white triangle to the opposite edge. Carefully press seams toward the triangles. Add a blue snowflakes triangle to the angled edge to complete the 10 1/2" x 5 1/2" Corner unit. Press seam toward the triangle. Repeat to make a second Corner Unit.



Corner Unit - Make 2

5. Sew a 6 1/4" indigo snowflakes triangle to 1 short side of a 6 1/4" white triangle. Press seam toward the indigo triangle. Add a 5 7/8" blue snowflakes triangle to complete the 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" End unit. Press seam toward the triangle. Repeat to make a second End unit. *Set aside the 2 remaining 6 1/4" indigo snowflakes triangles for another project.*

6. Stitch a white 5 7/8" triangle to a blue snowflakes triangle on the long edges to complete (1) 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" Triangle unit. Press seam toward the blue triangle. Repeat to make a second unit.



End Unit - Make 2



Triangle Unit - Make 2

Completing the Quilt

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

1. Sew the (10) 2" x WOF white strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 58 1/2", 55 1/2", 45 1/2" and 42 1/2". Set aside the 58 1/2" and 55 1/2" strips for step 5.
2. Stitch the 2" x 42 1/2" white strips to the sides of the framed panel and the 2" x 45 1/2" white strips to the top and bottom to complete the 45 1/2" x 45 1/2" panel center. Press seams toward the strips.
3. Sew 4 Side Block (S) units together on the short ends, top to bottom and add the End (E) unit, as shown, to complete the 5 1/2" x 45 1/2" left strip. Press seams to 1 side. Repeat, as shown, to make the right strip. Stitch the strips to the sides of the panel center. Press seams toward the panel center.
4. Stitch 4 Top/Bottom Block (TB) units together on the short ends and add the Corner (C) unit to 1 end and a Triangle (T) unit to the remaining end to complete the 5 1/2" x 55 1/2" top row. Press seams to 1 side. Repeat to make the bottom row, as shown. Sew the rows to the top and bottom of the panel center to complete the 55 1/2" x 55 1/2" quilt center. Press seams toward the rows.
5. Sew the 55 1/2" white strips from step 1 to the sides of the quilt center and the 58 1/2" strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.
6. Stitch the (6) 3" x WOF indigo strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 63 1/2" and 58 1/2". Sew the shorter strips to the sides of the quilt center and the longer strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the 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 seams open. Trim to make the 78" x 78" 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 stars 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.

