

# Father Christmas & Friends

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



51" x 66"

**Skill Level:** Confident Beginner**Finished Quilt Size:** 51" 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. LOF is length of fabric, parallel to the selvage edges. Remove as little fabric as possible when trimming selvages and squaring strip ends.*

### Father Christmas panel

- Trim to 27 1/2" x 42 1/2".

### 1 snowflake panel

- Carefully fussy-cut (8) pieces as follows:
  - 2 strips 8" x 42 1/2" for side borders.
  - 2 strips 8" x 24 1/2" for top / bottom borders.
  - 4 squares 8" x 8" for corners.



### 1 yard blue tonal

- 2 strips 2" x WOF; trim to (2) strips 2" x 42 1/2".
- 3 strips 2" x WOF.
- 5 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.

### 1/4 yard dark hand dye

- 2 strips 2" x WOF; trim to (4) strips 2" x 8".

### 5/8 yard snowflake allover

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

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

### 4 1/2 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 66" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 81" x WOF directional backing

### OR

### 2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 66" x 81"

### Batting

- 1 piece 66" x 81"

## Finishing 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 throughout the following steps.*

1. Sew the 2" x 42 1/2" blue strips to the sides of the large panel. Press seams toward the strips. Stitch the (2) 8" x 42 1/2" snowflake strips to the sides of the quilt center. Press seams toward the strips.
2. Sew the (3) 2" x WOF blue strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) strips each 2" x 45 1/2" and (4) strips 2" x 8". Stitch the 2" x 45 1/2" strips to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press seams toward the strips.
3. Stitch 2" x 8" dark strips to the short sides of both 8" x 24 1/2" snowflake panel strips, as shown in the exploded diagram. Press seams toward the snowflake strips. Sew the 2" x 8" blue tonal strips to both short sides, and then stitch 8" x 8" square snowflake frames to both short sides to complete the 8" x 45 1/2" top / bottom borders. Press seams toward the blue strips.
4. Sew the top / bottom borders to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press seams toward the border strips.
5. Sew the (6) 3 1/2" x WOF blue strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) strips each 60 1/2" and 51 1/2". Stitch the 60 1/2" strips to the sides of the quilt center and the 51 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the 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 66" 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 snowflake allover 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.

