

# Christmas Party Animals

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



68" x 68"

**Skill Level:** Confident Beginner**Finished Quilt Size:** 68" x 68"

*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. LOF is length of fabric, parallel to the selvage edges.  
Remove as little fabric as possible when removing selvages and squaring strip ends.*

### Christmas Animals panel

- Trim (9) frames, 12 1/2" square, keeping the image even around the animal frames.

### 2 yards Christmas Animals stripe

Cut (4) 10 1/2" x 67" LOF strips, beginning 3/4" to the right of the green stripe left edge, as shown and cutting over 10 1/2" to beyond the presents stripe as shown.



### 3/4 yard beige hand dye

- 4 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 4 strips 39 1/2".
- 2 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips 42 1/2".
- 2 strips 2" x WOF; trim to 6 strips 12 1/2".

### 1 yard green hand dye

- 7 strips 3 1/2" x WOF for outer border.

### 3/4 yard red hand dye

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

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

- 2 strips 83" x WOF

### OR

### 2 1/2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 83" x 83"

### Batting

- 1 piece 83" x 83"

## Completing the Quilt

*Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed. Refer to the exploded quilt diagram as needed.*

1. Sew (2) 2" x 12 1/2" beige strips between (3) Animal frames left to right, as shown in the exploded diagram, to make an Animal Row. Press seams toward the strips. Repeat twice more to make (3) Animal Rows.
2. Stitch (2) 2" x 39 1/2" beige strips between the (3) Animal Rows top to bottom, as shown in the exploded diagram to complete the quilt center. Press seams toward the strips
3. Sew the remaining (2) 2" x 39 1/2" beige strips to the top and bottom of the quilt center, and sew the (2) 2" x 42 1/2" beige strips to the sides to complete the 42 1/2" x 42 1/2" framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.
4. Center and sew (2) 10 1/2" x 67" border stripe strips to the sides of the quilt center, beginning, ending and locking stitches 1/4" from the corners of the quilt center. Repeat with the remaining (2) 10 1/2" x 67" 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.
5. Sew the 3 1/2" x WOF green strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 68 1/2" and 62 1/2". Stitch the shorter strips to the sides of the center and the longer 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 83" x 83" backing piece.

7. Layer the quilt top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.
8. Join the red hand dye binding strips on the short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip. Press seams open. Press the strip in half along the length with wrong sides together.
9. Bind the quilt edges using your favorite method to complete the quilt.

