

Dahlia Flourish

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



56 1/2" x 73"

*Please read all instructions before beginning.
Prewashing recommended for hand dye 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 dahlia panel

- Fussy-cut (16) 10" x 10" squares, keeping a dahlia centered in each square.

2 yards dahlia stripe

- 2 LOF strips 5 1/2" x 62 1/2", centering a large dahlia stripe in each strip.
 - 2 LOF strips 5 1/2" x 55 1/2", centering a large dahlia stripe in each strip.
- 2 strips 4 1/2" x LOF, centering a small dahlia stripe in each strip. Cut into (2) 4 1/2" x 32", (2) 4 1/2" x 21" strips and (2) 4 1/2" x 10" strips.

1 3/4 yards black hand dye

- 4 strips 2" x WOF; cut into (16) 2" x 10" strips.
- 3 strips 2" x WOF; cut into (2) 2" x 32" strips and (2) 2" x 21" strips.
- 9 strips 2" x WOF for sashing strips and border.
- 7 strips 1" x WOF for outer border.
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

5 yards 42" backing fabric

- 2 pieces 88" x WOF

OR

2 1/8 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 71" x 88"

Batting 1 piece 71" x 88"

Completing the Quilt

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

1. Sew a 2" x 32" black strip to 1 long edge of each 4 1/2" x 32" stripe strip to make pieced dahlia strips. Press seams toward the black strips. Repeat with the 2" x 21" and 2" x 10" black strips and stripe strips.
2. Stitch the 2" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (3) 48 1/2" sashing strips and 2 each 59 1/2" and 46" border strips. Set aside the border strips for step 15.
3. Referring to the exploded quilt diagram for Row 1, stitch 4 dahlia squares alternately together with (3) 2" x 10" black strips. Press seams toward the black strips. Add a 10" pieced dahlia strip to the bottom. Press seam toward the pieced dahlia strip. Sew a 2" x 48 1/2" black sashing strip to the right edge to complete the row. Press seam toward the black strip.
4. Repeat step 3 to make the Row 4, except sew the 10" pieced dahlia strip to the top of the row and add the sashing strip to the left edge.
5. Sew 4 dahlia squares alternately together with (3) 2" x 10" black strips to make the Row 2. Press seams toward the strips. Repeat to make Row 3.
6. Stitch Row 3 to Row 4, aligning the top edges and stopping and locking stitches 5"–6" from the bottom of the Row 3 to sew partial seam 1. Press seam toward Row 4.
7. Sew a 21" pieced dahlia strip to the top of the joined rows. Press seam toward the pieced dahlia strip.

8. Stitch a 2" x 48 1/2" black sashing strip to the left edge of the pieced section, aligning the top edges and bottom edges and sewing a complete seam. Press seam toward the strip.
9. Sew Row 2 to the left edge of the pieced section, aligning the top edges and stopping and locking stitches about 5"–6" from the bottom of the Row 2 to complete partial seam 2. Press seam toward the pieced section.
10. Stitch a 32" pieced dahlia strip to the top of the joined rows. Press seam toward the pieced dahlia strip.
11. Sew Row 1 to the pieced section with top edges aligned and sewing a complete seam. Press seam toward the pieced section.
12. Stitch the remaining 21" pieced dahlia strip to the bottom of Rows 1 and 2, moving the loose bottom edge of the right pieced section out of the way. Press seam toward the pieced dahlia strip.
13. Complete stitching partial seam 2, aligning the bottom edge of the right pieced section with the bottom edge of the dahlia pieced strip. Press seam toward right pieced section.
14. Repeat steps 12 and 13 to add the remaining 32" pieced dahlia strip to the bottom of Rows 1–3 and then complete the partial seam 1 to complete the 43" x 59 1/2" quilt center.
15. Stitch the 2" x 59 1/2" black strips from step 2 to the long sides of the quilt center and the 2" x 46" strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.
16. Sew the 5 1/2" x 62 1/2" dahlia stripe strips to the long sides of the quilt center and the 5 1/2" x 56" strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.
17. Stitch the 1" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) 72 1/2" strips and (2) 57" strips. Sew the longer strips to the long sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.
18. 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 a 71" x 88" backing piece.
19. Layer the top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.
20. Join the black hand-dye 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.



Exploded Quilt Diagram