

Cosmic Butterfly

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



50" x 67"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Quilt Size: 50" x 67"

Please read all instructions before beginning. Pre-washing NOT recommended.

Yardages and Cutting

WOF is width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge. Remove as little fabric as possible when trimming selvages and squaring strip ends.

Cosmic Butterflies panel

- Trim to 22 1/2" x 39 1/2".

1 1/4 yard butterfly print

- Fussy-cut (8) 8 1/2" squares with a large butterfly centered in each.
- Fussy-cut (2) 8 1/2" squares with a small butterfly group (officially called a kaleidoscope) centered in each.

1/2 yard stripe

- 3 strips 4 1/2" x WOF; cut 1 strip into (1) 4 1/2" x 21" half-strip.

1 1/4 yards purple/blue sky

- 6 strips 4 1/2" x WOF for border.
- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; trim to 2 strips each 39 1/2" and 26 1/2" for panel framing.

5/8 yard aqua butterfly wings

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

3/4 yard black solid

- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF.
- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (2) 2 1/2" x 21" half-strips and (40) 2 1/2" squares.

3 7/8 yards of 44/45" backing fabric OR

4 3/4 yards directional backing fabric

- 2 pieces 66" x WOF OR
- 2 pieces 83" x WOF directional fabric

OR

2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 66" x 83"

Batting

- 1 piece 66" x 83"

Piecing the Units

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

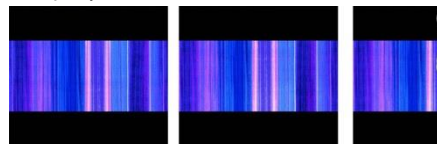
1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the 2 1/2" black squares.
2. Place marked squares right sides together on the corners of a large butterfly square. Sew on the lines. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the triangles over with seam allowances toward the butterfly square to complete (1) 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" large butterfly unit. Repeat to make 8 large butterfly units and 2 butterfly group units.



Make 8 large butterfly units & 2 butterfly group units

3. Sew a 4 1/2" x WOF stripe strip lengthwise between (2) 2 1/2" x WOF black strips to make an 8 1/2" x WOF strip set. Press seams toward the black strips. Repeat to make a second WOF strip set. Repeat to make a half-strip set using 21" strips. Crosscut the strip sets into (10) 9 1/2" border units.

9 1/2"



Border Units — Cut 10

Completing the Quilt

1. Stitch the 2 1/2" x 39 1/2" purple/blue strips to the long sides of the panel and the 2 1/2" x 26 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the 26 1/2" x 43 1/2" framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Sew 2 large butterfly units top to bottom with 3 border units to make an 8 1/2" x 43 1/2" side strip. Press seams toward the border units. Repeat to make a second side strip. Stitch to the long sides of the framed panel. Press seams toward the strips.

3. Stitch border units to opposite sides of the 2 butterfly group units. Press seams toward the border units. Add large butterfly units to the ends of each strip to make the 8 1/2" x 42 1/2" top/bottom strips. Press seams away from the large butterfly units. Sew to the top and bottom of the panel section to complete the 42 1/2" x 59 1/2" quilt center. Press seams toward the strips.

4. Stitch the 4 1/2" x WOF purple/blue strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 59 1/2" and 50 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press seams toward the strips.

5. 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 83" backing piece.

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

7. Join the aqua butterfly wings 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.

