

Vibrant Garden

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



57" x 65"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Finished Block Size: 6" x 6"

Finished Quilt Size: 57" x 65"

Number of Blocks: 28

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.

1 yard ombre

- 8 strips 3 1/2" x WOF.
 - Remove 9" from the orange end of 4 strips. Trim to 30", removing remaining excess from the green end.
 - Trim the 4 remaining strips to 29", removing all excess from the orange end.

2 1/2 yards black solid

- 1 strip 10" x WOF; cut into (14) 1 7/8" x 10" strips and (32) 1 1/2" squares.
- 3 strips 5 7/8" x WOF; cut into (16) 5 7/8" squares, (4) 3 1/2" squares and (4) 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles. Cut the 5 7/8" squares in half diagonally to make 32 triangles.
- 2 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (24) 3 1/2" squares.
- 4 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; trim to make 2 each 40 1/2" and 36 1/2" strips for center framing.
- 2 strips 1 1/2" x WOF; trim to 40 1/2" strips for center sashing.
- 6 strips 2" x WOF for border.
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

2 panels scenic print

- Trim left and right to 31 1/2" wide x 40 1/2" tall with a moon close to the center. From remaining two pieces, cut two 8 1/2" x 40 1/2" strips from the edges adjacent to where the 31 1/2" x 40 1/2" center piece was cut.

1 1/4 yards multicolor clouds

- 1 strip 10" x WOF; cut into (16) 1 7/8" x 10" strips and (32) 1 1/2" squares.
- 2 strips 5 7/8" x WOF; cut into (14) 5 7/8" squares, then cut in half diagonally to make 28 triangles.
- 3 strips 3 1/2" x WOF; cut into (32) 3 1/2" squares and (4) 2 1/2" squares.

4 1/4 yards of 42" backing fabric OR

4 5/8 yards of directional backing fabric

- 2 strips 73" x WOF OR
- 2 strips 81" x WOF for directional fabric

OR

2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 72" x 81"

Batting

- 1 piece 72" x 81"

Piecing the Blocks & Units

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

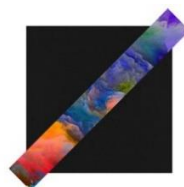
1. Fold each 1 7/8" x 10" black and multicolor strip in half widthwise with right sides together and lightly press to crease the center. Fold each black and multicolor triangle in half from the square corner to the long edge with wrong sides together and lightly press to crease the center.

2. Center a multicolor triangle on 1 long edge of a black strip, matching creases. Pin at the crease to hold. Stitch in place. Press seam toward the black strip. Repeat with a second multicolor triangle on the opposite long side of the black strip. Trim the ends of the strip even with the edges of the triangles to complete (1) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" A unit. Stay-stitch 1/8" from the edges of the black corners. Repeat to make 14 A units.

3. Repeat step 2 to make 16 B units, using multicolor strips and black triangles, **except** press seams toward the multicolor strips.



A Unit — Make 14

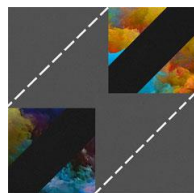


B Unit — Make 16

4. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the 3 1/2" and 1 1/2" black and multicolor squares and the 2 1/2" multicolor squares.

5. Place a marked 3 1/2" black square on each multicolor corner of an A unit. Sew on the lines. Trim seam allowance 1/4" out from the stitching. Press the black corners open with seams toward the black edges. Repeat with marked 1 1/2" multicolor squares on the same corners to complete (1) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" A block. Repeat to make 14 A blocks.

6. Repeat step 5 to make 16 B blocks, using B units and marked 3 1/2" multicolor squares and 1 1/2" black squares, **except** press seams toward the multicolor edges.



A Block — Make 14



B Block — Make 16

7. Place a 1 1/2" marked multicolor square right sides together on the top left corner of a 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" black rectangle as shown. Sew on the line, trim seam allowance and press open with seam to the multicolor edge. Repeat on the opposite corner with a 2 1/2" marked multicolor square to complete (1) 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" half-unit. Repeat to make 4 half-units.



Half-Unit — Make 4

8. Join 2 half-units to make a 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" side unit. Press seam to 1 side. Repeat to make a second side unit.



Side Unit — Make 2

Completing the Quilt

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

1. Sew a 1 1/2" x 40 1/2" black strip to opposite long sides of the scenic center strip. Press seams toward the black strips. Add the left and right scenic strips and then the 2 1/2" x 40 1/2" black strips. Press seams toward the black strips. Stitch the 2 1/2" x 36 1/2" black strips to the top and bottom to complete the 36 1/2" x 44 1/2" framed center. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Stitch 3 A blocks and 1 side unit alternately together with 4 B blocks to make a 6 1/2" x 44 1/2" side strip. Press seams open. Repeat to make a second side strip. Sew the strips to the long sides of the framed center, turning the right strip to place the B block at the top. Press seams toward the framed center.

3. Sew 4 A blocks alternately together with 4 B blocks to make the 6 1/2" x 48 1/2" top strip. Press seams open. Repeat to make the bottom strip. Stitch the strips to the top and bottom of the center section, turning the bottom strip to place the B block at the right end. Press seams toward the center section to complete the 48 1/2" x 56 1/2" quilt center.

4. Stitch the 2" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into 2 strips each 56 1/2" and 51 1/2". Sew the longer strips to the long sides of the quilt center and the shorter strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

5. Join (2) 3 1/2" x 30" ombre strips on the pink ends to make a 59 1/2" strip. Press seam to one side. Repeat to make a second strip. Repeat with the 3 1/2" x 29" ombre strips to make (2) 57 1/2" strips. Stitch 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.

6. 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 72" x 81" 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 black solid 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.

