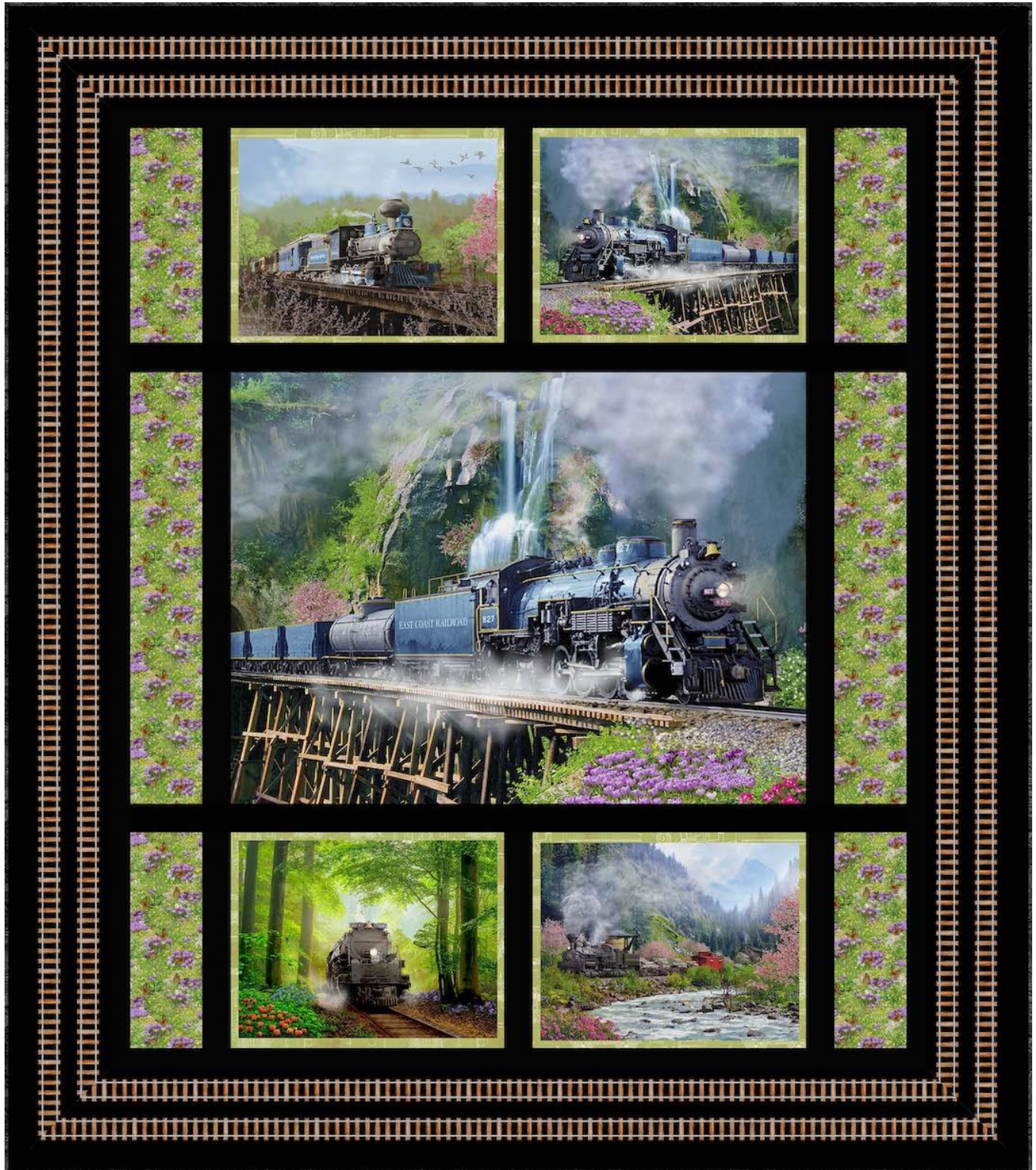


Steam in the Spring

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



71" x 81"

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 removing selvages and squaring strip ends.

Steam in the Spring panel

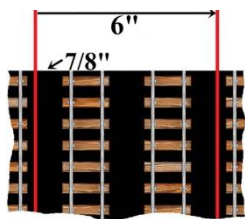
- Trim to 40 1/2" x 30 1/2".

Steam in the Spring rectangles panel

- Fussy-cut (4) 19 1/2"-wide x 15 1/2"-tall rectangles, keeping the green print even all around.

2 1/2 yards train track stripe

- Cut (4) 6" x LOF strips, beginning 7/8" from the edge of the ties on 1 edge and then cutting 6" over from there to include 2 sets of tracks in strip as shown. Trim to 2 strips each 83" and 73".



2/3 yard charcoal texture

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

1 yard meadow print

- 2 strips 5 1/2" x LOF; trim to 30 1/2" for side strips.
- 2 strips 5 1/2" x LOF; cut into (4) 5 1/2" x 15 1/2" top/bottom strips.

1 1/2 yards black solid

- 5 strips 2 1/2" x WOF; cut into (2) 2 1/2" x 30 1/2" and (6) 2 1/2" x 15 1/2" strips for center sashing.
- 3 strips 2 1/2" x WOF for center sashing.
- 14 strips 2" x WOF for borders.

5 1/2 yards 42" backing fabric

- 2 strips 97" x WOF

OR

2 1/2 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 87" x 97"

Batting

- 1 piece 87" x 97"

Completing the Quilt

Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press all seams toward the black strips unless otherwise directed. Refer to the exploded quilt diagram on the next page throughout the following steps.

1. Sew 2 1/2" x 30 1/2" black strips to the sides of the large train rectangle. Press seams toward the strips. Continue to press all seams toward the black strips. Add 5 1/2" x 30 1/2" meadow strips to complete the 30 1/2" x 54 1/2" center row. Press.
2. Stitch the 2 1/2" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) 54 1/2" strips.
3. Sew the strips to the top and bottom of the center row. Press.
4. Stitch 2 train rectangles alternately together with (3) 2 1/2" x 15 1/2" black strips. Press. Add a 5 1/2" x 15 1/2" meadow strip to each end to complete the 15 1/2" x 54 1/2" top row. Press. Repeat to make the bottom row. Sew the rows to the top and bottom of the center row to complete the 54 1/2" x 64 1/2" quilt center. Press.
5. Repeat step 2 with the 2" x WOF black strips, cutting 2 strips each 78 1/2", 71 1/2", 64 1/2" and 57 1/2". Sew the 64 1/2" strips to the sides of the quilt center and the 57 1/2" strips to the top and bottom. Press. Set aside remaining strips for step 7.

6. Center and sew 6" x 83" train track 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 6" x 73" strips on the top and bottom. 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.

7. Sew the 78 1/2" black strips from step 5 to the sides of the quilt center and the 71 1/2" strips to the top and bottom to complete the top. Press.

8. 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 the 87" x 97" backing piece.

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

10. Join the charcoal texture 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.

