

Mystery Quilt Introduction

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After wading through countless free pattern websites and mystery quilt programs I decided to design a mystery quilt with Electric Quilt.

Embrace your creative side. Mix fabrics for texture and interest. Have fun!

Duration: 4 months for the completion of the quilt top.

Monthly Pattern: Following an announcement e-mail from Carol, the monthly patterns will be available on the Langley Quilters Guild web site for you. Print your pattern out and get started!

If the Internet is unavailable to a member, arrangements for a printed copy can be made with another member or myself.

Two GREAT prizes for two very lucky mystery quilters!

A Participants Prize! & A Viewer's Choice Prize!

The Participants Prize is a wonderful assortment of more than 20 spools of Aurifil Cotton Mako' 40 threads and the Aurifil storage case (as shown) to store your 1000 meter spools.

The Viewer's Choice Prize is great assortment of Aurifil Cotton Mako' 40 threads; 1000 meter spools.

Aurifil's Cotton Mako' 40 Thread: Ideal for Machine Quilting; it is a little heavier to show off the quilting stitches. Great for ditch stitching and fine detail work, while still having sufficient definition to look good when you want the thread and stitching to show.

We are very fortunate that such incredible prizes have been provided by Aurifil for the winning Mystery Quilt participants of the Langley Quilters Guild.

To qualify for a PRIZE:

- You must be a current member of the Langley Quilters Guild. Your membership must be paid up to date. The mystery quilt files are available online however, the prizes are not available to anyone outside of the Langley Quilters Guild.
- You need only to complete the quilt top. Blocks and borders must be sewn together. Batting and machine quilting are not required. If you quilt and bind your top that is acceptable, not required.
- Quilt tops will be displayed for both the day and evening meetings to enjoy. Your top must be included in the display at both meetings to qualify for a prize. You do not have to be present, your quilt top does.
- The quilt top must be completed as outlined in the instructions provided throughout the Mystery Quilt program.
- All blocks, in the quantities noted in the instructions, must be included in your quilt top.
- Two prizes will be awarded to two different participating Langley Quilters Guild members.



The finished quilt is approximately **44" x 44"**.

Fabric Requirements:

There are 6 or 7 prints/colors, explanation below. This includes one focal print of a medium scale which can be fussy cut for a controlled consistent result.

Go with what appeals to you. There is no right or wrong color selection. You saw how the last mystery quilt colors ranged from bright oranges to rich bold shades to oriental prints. And they all looked great!

The first block you are going to make will give you a really good indication of how the colors will work in your quilt. If you like your color choices in the first block you will love your quilt!

Color #1 = 2 meters - Main color and outer border. What color inspires you? Do you have a favorite?

Color #2 = 1 meter - flattering #1. Needs to be able to hold its own, not blend in too much.

Color #3 = 1/3 meter - Second most used color.

Color #4 = 1/2 meter - Darker version of #1 perhaps, or something completely different?

Color #5 = 5/8 meter - Inner border and used very little in the quilt. This can either contrast or harmonize with #1 and 2.

Color #6 = 5/8 meter - You may choose to use #3 here if you wish. If so, add 5/8 meter to #3. If you choose to use a #6 it should go nicely with your #5, contrast or harmonize, but not blend in too much with #3 or 5.

Color #7 = 1/3 meter - CAN be a focal fabric, but does not have to be. If you wish to fussy cut have extra on hand. This will be used in 3" x 3" squares, on point. If fussy cutting; some of the fussy cuts will be cut in half, to form a triangle. Consider this if using prints; will they work if the 3 x 3 on point square is cut into two triangles?

Border: Fabrics in the borders were measured based on piecing the border rather than cutting one continuous strip. If you wish to have a continuous strip border then I recommend Color #1 and #5 to have an additional 46 inches in length. The borders are not wide.

I do hope that you choose to participate and enjoy yourself and your creation. I can be reached at tammystuff@gmail.com

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Mystery Mistress



Thank you to Aurifil for their generous support of our great Guild.