

Frequently Asked Questions

Will we get to the quilting? We will begin quilting the background blocks within an hour of starting the class so be sure to bring thread you want to see as the background quilting. A variety of threads that compliment your squares makes an interesting top, but you can also use just one thread for quilting.

What kind of thread? All kinds, and any kinds. We will be straight stitching the quilting so anything you like that sews through your needle. I do bring lots of colors of King Tut threads for sale because the variegated threads are beautiful and to have choices of threads available.

Can I cut my squares before class? Yes. Select fabrics for the quilted background blocks. You can have all the blocks the same fabric, or 2 fabrics, like a checkerboard, or as many as 25 different fabrics (or fewer than 25). Look at my sample photos for fabric and color ideas.

Cut 25 5 inch squares. (Bring some extra squares, or fabric, just in case!) Arrange the squares in your color way, 5 rows of 5 blocks. Hint-- take a phone photo so you can remember your block configuration to lay out in class.

Do not cut the small center squares. We will do this in class.

Can I use charm pack squares? Yes, charm pack squares can be a nice choice for background blocks but sometimes they can be cut very skimpy. When we quilt through the square and batting first, sometimes they shrink up a bit. We will square up to 4 1/2 inches after quilting and want that full quarter inch for the seam allowance.

Please email me with any questions prior to class.

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