

Elm Creek Quilts:

THE Aloha QUILT

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Finished quilt size: 54" x 54" approximately

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Pattern #20440 – HUN1.....1¾ yards
- B. Pattern #20441 – PUR1.....¼ yard
- C. Pattern #20442 – DKGRE1.....½ yard
- D. Pattern #20442 – DKPURI.....½ yard
- E. Pattern #20442 – GRE1.....⅓ yard
- F. Pattern #20443 – MUL1.....1⅛ yards
- G. Pattern #20445 – LTGRE1.....¼ yard
- H. Pattern #20445 – DKGRE1.....½ yard
- I. Pattern #20446 – GRE1.....½ yard
- J. Pattern #20446 – MUL1.....⅛ yard
- Backing.....3½ yards
- Batting.....61" square

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please read all instructions carefully before beginning. ¼" seam allowance is included in measurements and all strips are cut across the width of the fabric unless noted otherwise. Cut fabrics in order given.

A. Pattern #20440 – HUN1 (large floral):

1. Cut four 8½" x length of fabric strips for outer border.

B. Pattern #20441 – PUR1 (small flower print):

1. Cut one 6¼" square. Cut in half twice on diagonal to yield four triangles for Star Block.

C. Pattern #20442 – DKGRE1 (texture):

1. Cut two 1½" strips. Cut strips in half on fold for Frame #2.
2. Cut three 8¼" squares. Cut each square in half twice on the diagonal to yield twelve quarter-square triangles.
3. Cut two 4⅜" squares. Cut each square in half once on diagonal to yield four corner triangles.

D. Pattern #20442 – DKPURI (texture):

1. Cut four 2" strips for Inner Border.
2. Cut two 6¼" squares. Cut in half twice on diagonal to yield eight triangles for Star Block.

E. Pattern #20442 – GRE1 (texture):

1. Cut four 2¼" x 26" strips Frame #3.

F. Pattern #20443 – MUL1 (square images):

1. Fussy cut twenty-one 5½" squares in a variety of colors for Star Block.

G. Pattern #20445 – LTGRE1 (petroglyphs):

1. Cut one 6¼" square. Cut in half twice on diagonal to yield four triangles for Star Block.

H. Pattern #20445 – DKGRE1 (petroglyphs):

1. Cut six 2½" strips for binding.

I. Pattern #20446 – GRE1 (stripe):

1. Cut six 4⅜" squares. Cut each square in half once on diagonal, cutting three in one direction and three in the opposite direction (Figure 1). Yield: twelve corner triangles. Label triangles as shown.



Figure 1

2. Cut two 4⅛" strips. Using the 45° angle line on your ruler, cut a total of twelve quarter-square triangles (Figure 2).

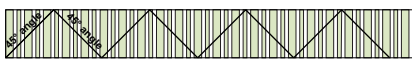


Figure 2 Cut 12 triangles.

J. Pattern #20446 – MUL1 (stripe):

1. Cut two 1¼" strips. Cut each strip in half on the fold for Frame #1.

PIECING INSTRUCTIONS: Refer to Quilt Diagram and photo as needed.

A. The Star Block:

1. Sew two D triangles, one B triangle and one G triangle together as shown in Figure 3 below to construct one quarter-square-triangle unit. Press so that seams are opposing. Make four.
2. Arrange the quarter square triangle units with five of the 5½" square images (Figure 4). Sew the squares and units together. Press toward the image squares. Press the final seams open. Make one.



Figure 3 Make 4.

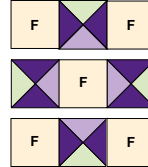
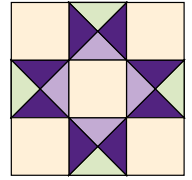


Figure 4

Press final seams open. Make 1 Star Block.



Finished block size: 15" square. Make 1.

B. The Framing Strips:

1. Sew one strip each of Frames #1, 2, and 3 together, matching centers. Press toward Frame #3. Make four.
2. Match the center of Frame #1 to the center of one side of the Star Block. Pin the framing unit to the side of the Star Block. Sew together, beginning and ending the stitching ¼" from each corner of the Star Block. Repeat on all four sides of the block. Miter the corners. Trim excess. Press mitered seams open. Press remaining seams toward the framing unit.

C. The Pieced Border Unit:

1. Side units: Arrange a variety of three 5½" image squares (F) with two green stripe quarter-square triangles (I), two dark green quarter-square triangles (C), two green stripe corner triangles (I), and two dark green corner triangles (C) as shown in Figure 5. Sew triangles to squares, creating diagonal rows. Press seams toward triangles. Press row seams in one direction. Make two side units.

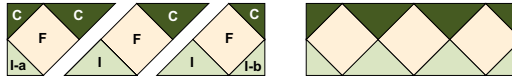


Figure 5 Make two side units.

2. Top and bottom units: Arrange quarter-square and corner triangles with a variety of five 5½" image squares as shown in Figure 6. Sew together into diagonal rows. Press as for side units. Make two.

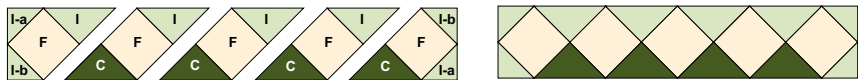


Figure 6 Make two units.

D. Squaring up the Center Star Block Unit:

1. Frame #3 was originally cut a little wider than necessary. Before sewing the side pieced border units to the star unit, measure the length of the side pieced units from Figure 5. Square up the size of the star unit equal to the length of the side pieced units, trimming off an equal amount from each side of the star unit.
2. Sew the side units to opposite sides of the star unit. Press toward the star unit.
3. Sew the top and bottom pieced border units to the star unit. Press toward the star unit.

E. Inner and Outer Borders:

1. Sew an inner border strip (D) to the long side of an outer border strip, matching centers. Press toward the inner border strip. Make four.
2. Match the center of the inner border strip to the center of one side of the quilt. Pin to one side of the quilt. Sew together, beginning and ending the stitching ¼" from each corner of the quilt. Repeat on all four sides of the quilt. Miter the corners. Trim excess. Press mitered seams open. Press remaining seams toward the border strips.

FINISHING:

1. Prepare backing to measure 61" square. Press seams open.
2. Layer quilt top, batting and backing. Baste layers together.
3. Quilt as desired.
4. Trim layers even with quilt top.
5. Join binding strips with diagonal seams. Press seams open. Sew binding to quilt using your favorite method.
6. Make a hanging sleeve and label and sew to the back of the quilt.

