

It's time for another Mystery Quilt! This is the prep for the November class.

Fabric Selection:

This quilt top uses five (5) fabrics; each is a one (1) yard cut. This top includes a border with these yardage amounts. This quilt top looks best when you have a light, a medium, and a dark fabric in a tone-on-tone or batik or solid, PLUS a large multi-color print, and a second companion print.

There is a little bit of prep work to get you all ready for the classroom session; this helps us to fly through the day. These are the initial fabric cuts, and some strip sets to sew – these are your CLUES 1 and 2! There will be other cutting done in class. It will be EXTREMELY helpful if you have all of this "homework" done before we meet for the class.

A few things to remember/recommend:

- Label your fabrics A-B-C-D-E. Pin them to the fabrics. Write it on the instruction sheet. Tape a piece of each fabric on the paper. Whatever it takes!
- **Your "dark" fabric is your constant and will thread between all other fabrics.** It should be as tonal / low volume as possible. I don't recommend anything that does not read as solid from five feet away.
- **The "dark" fabric also needs to have high contrast from the other fabrics.**
- This pattern assumes your fabrics have a usable width of at least 40" WOF. Some folks like to wash and starch their fabrics, which can change the width. Also need to be mindful of the selvages. So if you do not have 40" usable, you will need a bit more fabric to compensate.
- Finally, please practice your 1/4" seams. Going too wide or too narrow will affect the piecing coming together smoothly.

Please bring:

- All of your fabric (cut, sewn, uncut)
- Sewing machine and power cord/ foot pedal
- Thread and filled bobbins
- Cutting mat and rotary cutter (a small one for your workstation is recommended)
- Iron and pressing mat (we do have a communal one if you don't)
- Quilter's ruler with 1/4" markings
- Pins or clips
- Optional: other gear you like to use on the regular (extra thread, extra bobbins, extra snips, stiletto, pencil)

I welcome you to reach out with any questions on your fabric selections! I am happy to consult.

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