

Blended Backgrounds

There are two options for this class.

1. Play with designs and plan a blended background quilt.
2. Start sewing an Ohio Star quilt top.

For Option #1 you will need:

- Graph paper
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Traditional block designs (optional)
- Tracing paper
- Calculator (optional)
- Colored pencils

* note: If you prefer designing with the aid of a computer you may choose to bring your laptop computer. I will not be available to teach you how to use your computer software.

For Option #2 you will need:

- Thread
- Scissors
- Rotary cutting supplies
- Seam ripper
- IBC Silk Pins (available during class if you can't find them locally)
- Working wall

Fabrics for option #2:

Stars: 10 fabrics, $\frac{1}{4}$ yard of each (if you want to do the variegated inner border like the sample you will need another $\frac{1}{8}$ yard of five of these fabrics)

Backgrounds: 6 fabrics in graduated values from light to dark

- #1 $\frac{1}{4}$ yard (lightest)
- #2 $\frac{1}{2}$ yard
- #3 $\frac{5}{8}$ yard
- #4 $\frac{3}{4}$ yard
- #5 $\frac{3}{4}$ yard
- #6 $\frac{1}{2}$ yard

Borders:

Inner: $\frac{3}{8}$ yard (if you are doing the variegated border you do not need this fabric)

Outer: 2 yards (includes enough for binding)

You will have more time for sewing if you cut all the stars and backgrounds #1 and #2 before class. Cutting instructions are on page 2 & 3.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BLENDED BACKGROUNDS

From each of the 10 star fabrics:

6 squares 4 ¼ inches



cut diagonals to yield 24 triangles

3 squares 3 ½ inches

Background #1 (lightest)

2 squares 4 ¼ inches



cut diagonals to yield 8 triangles

2 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

2 squares 2 ⅝ inches

1 square 3 ⅞ inches



cut the diagonal to yield 2 triangles (use only one)

1 square 3 ½ inches

Background #2

3 squares 6 ½ inches

4 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

2 squares 3 ⅞ inches



cut the diagonal to yield 4 triangles (use 3 of them)

6 squares 4 ¼ inches



cut diagonals to yield 24 triangles (use 22 of them)

10 squares 2 ⅝ inches

Background #3

5 squares 6 ½ inches

2 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

1 square 3 ½ inches

8 squares 4 ¼ inches



cut diagonals to yield 32 triangles (use 31 of them)


9 squares 2 ⅝ inches

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BLENDED BACKGROUNDS, Continued

Background #4

6 squares 6 ½ inches

2 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

8 squares 4 ¼ inches  cut diagonals to yield 32 triangles (use 29 of them)

1 square 3 ½ inches

8 squares 2 ⅝ inches

Background #5

5 squares 6 ½ inches

4 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

4 squares 3 ⅞ inches  cut the diagonal to yield 8 triangles (use 7 of them)

9 squares 4 ¼ inches  cut diagonals to yield 36 triangles (use 33 of them)

18 squares 2 ⅝ inches

Background #6

1 square 6 ½ inches

4 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

2 squares 2 ⅝ inches

1 square 3 ½ inches

4 squares 4 ¼ inches  cut diagonals to yield 16 triangles

Cutting instructions for borders will be given in class.

If you have questions about this supply list please feel free to contact me.

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