

BOM Kaleidoscope Quilt Quilt Assembly Instructions

These are the assembly instructions for the Kaleidoscope Quilt.

FARIC REQUIREMENTS

4x4 (10cm x 10cm) Hoop

Backing/binding fabric - 85cm x 109cm (34" x 43") cut later - measure your completed quilt front first

5x5 (13cm x 13cm) Hoop

Backing/binding fabric - 107cm x 137cm (42" x 54") cut later - measure your completed quilt front first

6x6 (16cm x 16cm) Hoop and 150mm x 150mm Hoop

Backing/binding fabric - 124cm x 161cm (49" x 63") cut later - measure your completed quilt front first

7x7 (18cm x 18cm) Hoop

Backing/binding fabric - 142cm x 184cm (56" x 73") cut later - measure your completed quilt front first

8x8 (20cm x 20cm) Hoop

Backing/binding fabric - 163cm x 211cm (64" x 83") cut later - measure your completed quilt front first

Finished Dimensions of full quilt (approx.) using 12 blocks, sashing and borders:

4x4 – 78cmW x 102cmL (31" x 40")

5x5 - 99cmW x 130cmL (39" x 51")

6x6 - 117cmW x 153cmL (46" x 60")

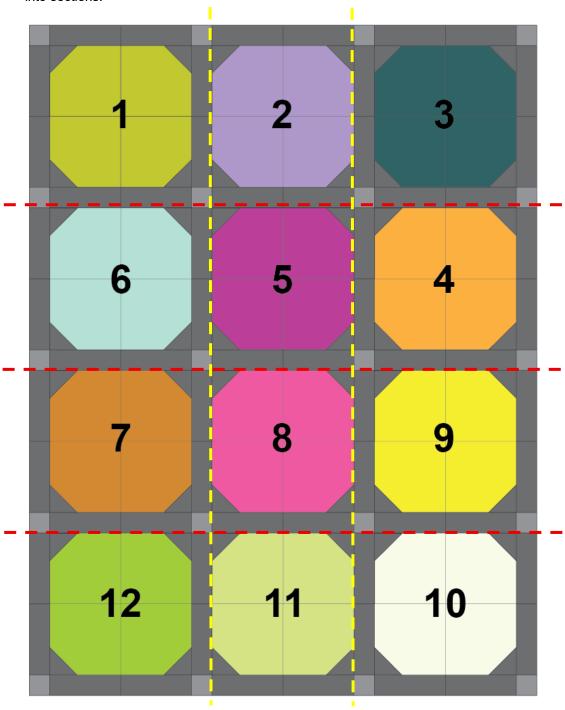
7x7 - 135cmW x 177cmL (53" x 70")

8x8 - 155cmW x 203cmL (64" x 80")

USING YOUR REGULAR SEWING MACHINE:

JOINING THE QUILT BLOCKS

Lay out your blocks on a flat surface and decide on your layout. Below you can see there are 12 blocks and border/corners sashing around the blocks. To make assembly as easy as possible we are going to split the quilt up into sections.



We have chosen to divide the blocks into three sections per row. We then join all the blocks in each section together and then continue to attach these three sections together later. **See photo below.**



Start by joining the top border blocks in Section 1 together.



Pin and stitch the side seam on your sewing machine. Stitch just inside the outer border line that is already stitched on the blocks, so the stitching will not be seen on the right side later.









Continue this method to complete the top border row. Then repeat this joining process for each of the remaining border sections. See photo below.



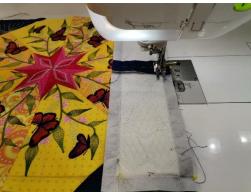


Next, we are going to join the side borders in Section 1 to the joined centre blocks by placing the side borders and centre blocks right sides together. Pin and stitch the seams on your sewing machine. Stitch just inside the border that is already stitched on the blocks, so the stitching will not be seen on the right side later.

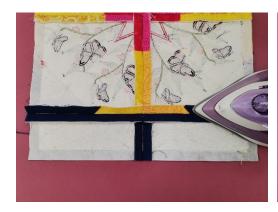








Repeat for the other side border. Open out the seams and press flat.





Next, join the bottom border row to the centre blocks, placing right sides together. Pin and stitch the seams on your sewing machine. Stitch just inside the border that is already stitched on the blocks, so the stitching will not be seen on the right side later.













Repeat for the top border row.



Now that you have completed the first section, continue the above assembly method for the remaining two sections. As you can see below, we should end up with 3 sections. Please note that the middle, second section does not have the added side borders, only the top and bottom border rows.



Pin and stitch the seams on your sewing machine. Stitch just inside the border that is already stitched on the blocks, so the stitching will not be seen on the right side later.







Press the seams open once completed.



Continue this until you have joined all the horizontal rows together. If needed, trim the edges to make them even.





CREATING THE BACK AND BINDING OF THE QUILT

Place **Backing/Binding fabric** on your table with the wrong side facing up. Then place your sewn quilt right side up, on top of the **Backing/Binding fabric**. Pin them together. **Optional – You can spray them together with temporary adhesive.**

Please note that we did not have a piece of fabric large enough for our quilt. As seen below we joined two pieces of fabric to achieve the correct backing size.





To keep the quilt's layers together, we can "stitch in the ditch." This process will help keep the seams flat during the laundering process and will keep it flat during its lifetime.

NOTE: Stitching in the ditch gives an invisible finish on the front, and the stitching lines are only visible on the reverse of the quilt. **Ensure the bobbin thread on the underside of the quilt matches the fabric and the top thread on the top of the quilt is invisible thread**. Decide which seams need ditch stitching on the quilt. Not every seam needs to be stitched; choosing the main seams to hold the central blocks flat is acceptable.



Trim the excess backing so it is precisely 1½" (3cm) bigger than the quilt. **THIS EXTRA FABRIC WILL BE USED AS THE BINDING.**





Starting on any side, fold the backing fabric in half and then fold it in half again, ensuring you fold it just over your seam stitching and then pin (we started pinning in the middle). Continue pinning your binding until you reach your first corner.





Try to make a nice mitred corner when you get to the corner. Turn your binding in at the corner and continue folding the same way as we did for the first side of the binding. You can iron your folds as you go if this helps with your mitred corners. Fold a final time and pin the corner in place.



Continue pinning right around the quilt.



Starting anywhere, sew the binding to the quilt just inside the folded edge of the binding. We suggest you change your bobbin thread to match your backing.



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When you reach the corner, leave your needle down, lift the foot, and rotate the quilt. Put the foot down and continue stitching until you are right around the quilt.





Press. Enjoy your quilt!

