



Good Hope Quilters' Guild - 2024 Mystery Quilt

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When You Shine – PART 1

CUT (16) 4½" x 4½" Squares from each of the Nine Fabrics

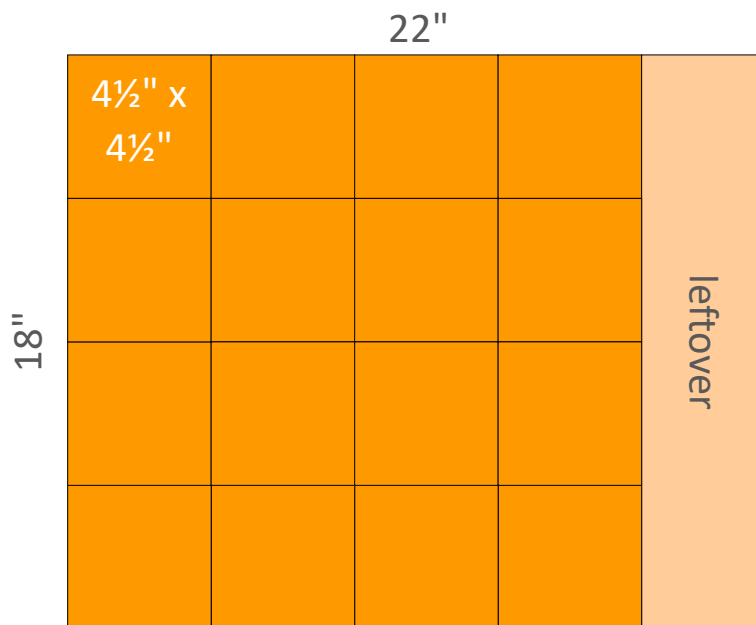
YARDAGE:

From each of the nine fabrics, cut (2) WOF strips 4½" and sub cut into (16) 4½" x 4½" squares.

FAT QUARTERS (FQ):

If you are using Fat Quarters (18" x 22"), you should be able to cut (16) 4½" x 4½" squares from each Fat Quarter, see diagram below.

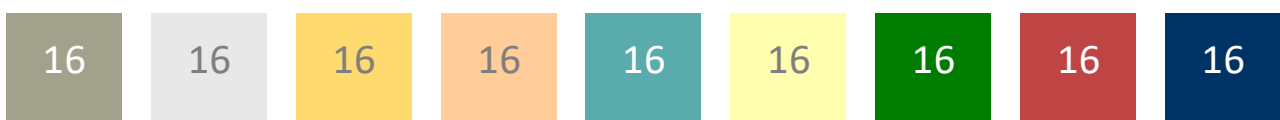
Double check that the FQ is big enough to yield the (16) 4½" squares.



SORT THE FABRIC

1. Lay out each stack of squares in a row and in an order you like. No need to overthink this. Make sure you have lots of space on your table.

I'm going with the order below; if two fabrics are too similar you may want to separate them, but it's not necessary. Also, consider the interaction between the first fabric in the row and the last fabric (in my case the dark grey and the dark blue).



2. Once you are happy with the order, work with **one stack of fabric at a time**. Take the first stack of 16 squares (in this case the dark grey) and distribute as follows:

		16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Position A 8 squares	8								
Position B 4 squares		4							
Position C 2 squares			2						
Position D 1 square				1					
Position E 1 square					1				

3. Repeat for the next four stacks of fabrics:

						16	16	16	16
Position A 8 squares	8	8	8	8	8				
Position B 4 squares		4	4	4	4	4			
Position C 2 squares			2	2	2	2	2		
Position D 1 square				1	1	1	1	1	
Position E 1 square					1	1	1	1	1

5. The next fabric fills in the positions as shown below, following the same sequence:

							16	16	16
Position A 8 squares	8	8	8	8	8	8			
Position B 4 squares		4	4	4	4	4	4		
Position C 2 squares			2	2	2	2	2	2	
Position D 1 square				1	1	1	1	1	1
Position E 1 square	1				1	1	1	1	1

6. Continue with the final three fabric stacks, following the same sequence. Every group has 16 squares of five different fabrics. **Double check that each stack has the correct number of squares.**

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7	Group 8	Group 9
Position A 8 squares	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Position B 4 squares	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Position C 2 squares	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Position D 1 square	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Position E 1 square	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

7. Pick up all the squares from Group 1 in order with Position A on top and **pin or clip this group together**. Repeat for all the groups.

You will have 9 stacks of fabric, each with 16 squares.
Each stack will have 5 different fabrics (distributed 8, 4, 2, 1, and 1).

No need to label the groups. However, keep them in a place where they will not be disturbed.

Phew! Now you can rest.

Trust the process, and please don't be tempted to move the fabrics between the groups.

See you next week...

Take your time and enjoy the challenge!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, diana@vandeyar.net

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