

ELEPHANT QUILT

GUILT SIZE 50" x 59½" **BLOCK SIZE** 9½" finished **QUILT TOP** 1 package 10" squares **iNNER BORDER** 1/4 yard outer border 1 yard binding ½ yard BACKING 3³/₄ yards - vertical seams OTHER 1¹/₂ yards paper backed lightweight fusible web

1 TRACE AND CUT

On the paper side of the fusible, trace 20 elephants and 20 ears using the pattern found on page 3. **Note:** we have already reversed the pattern, so all the elephants will be facing left after being traced and appliqued in place. The elephants measure 51%" x 7½". You can make the most of the fusible by making sure the 7½" portion (trunk to tail) runs vertically.

Roughly cut the drawn elephants and ears apart. Follow the manufacturer's instructions and press the fusible to the reverse side of the fabric. Carefully cut out the elephant shape as well as each ear. Peel away the paper backing and fuse each elephant to the 10" square of your choice. Select an ear cut from a contrasting fabric and fuse it to an elephant.

Use a buttonhole or small zigzag stitch and sew around each shape.

2 ARRANGE AND SEW

Lay out the squares in rows. Each row is made up of 4 elephant blocks and you need to make 5 rows. When you're happy with the appearance, sew the blocks together. Press the seam allowances of the odd rows toward the right and the even rows toward the left. This will make the seams "nest" so the corners will match up easily.

Sew the rows together to complete the center of the quilt.

3 INNER BORDER

Cut (5) 1½" strips across the width of the fabric. Sew the strips together end-to-end to make one long strip. Trim the borders from this strip.

Measure the quilt through the center vertically in several places. Average the measurements, then cut the inner borders to your measurement. The strips are approximately 48" for the sides. After sewing on the side borders, measure the quilt in several places horizontally and average the measurements. Cut the strips to your measurement. They should be approximately 381/2" for the top and bottom. Sew one strip to the top and one to the bottom.

4 OUTER BORDER

Cut (5) 5½" strips across the width of the fabric. Sew the strips together end-to-end to make one long strip. Trim the borders from this strip. Measure the quilt vertically in several place. Average the measurements and cut the strips to that measurement. The side borders should be approximately 50". Cut 2 and sew a border to either side of the quilt.

Measure the quilt in several places horizontally. Be sure to include the side borders! Average the measurements and cut 2 strips to that measurement, approximately 50½". Sew one to the top and one to the bottom.

5 QUILT AND BIND

Layer the quilt with batting and backing and quilt. After the quilting is complete, square up the quilt and trim away all excess batting and backing. Cut (6) 2½" strips for the binding. Sew the strips together end to end. Fold in half and sew to the top to complete the quilt.

Note: If you need help learning how to make and sew on binding, check out our tutorial: <u>https://quiltingtutorials.</u> <u>com/tutorial/the-ultimate-quilt-binding-tutorial</u>



ELEPHANT APPLIQUE



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