

Quilter's Getaway III Mystery Quilt

Fabric Requirements

A mystery quilt is just that...a mystery to you. So how do you select fabric for a project that you can't see? Or better yet the finished size? Select your fabrics using the detailed descriptions and images for hints to help choose the perfect group. Remember before the final decision stand back to scrutinize our choices; squint your eyes and make sure you see the difference between the fabrics as recommended. If you don't see a difference, you won't see one when it is cut up either. With this quilt I am introducing a sweet twist to the size options. Making a Cozy Lap but want it bigger, well here it is. Making a Double but sized closer to a Queen, well here it is!

Cozy Lap fin. size: Plain Border 54" x 68" **OR** Upsize the Love with a Pieced Border 62" x 76"

Double Snuggler fin. size: Plain Border 84" x 84" **OR** Upsize the Love with a Pieced Border 90" x 90"

What does Upsize Mean? There is a surprise ending! Both options look fantastic so don't worry about that. A Plain border is very striking and the Pieced border is a 'no guts no glory' way to finish! Which way will you finish your quilt?

Tips on choosing your fabrics

Following are some steps for selecting your fabrics. Please read carefully using the descriptions of the type of fabrics recommended and select accordingly. Choose whether you want a dark background (i.e. black, navy, red, dark gray, etc.) or a light background (i.e. white, cream, light gray, baby blue, etc.). Stripes or one-way designs are not recommended.

Modern: This quilt could easily take on a modern look by your choice of fabrics (i.e. all solids, brights, etc.)

Background:

- **Fabric 1: DARK OR LIGHT**

This will be the Background fabric. I recommend a tonal, non-descript print or solid. If this fabric has other colours in the print, they should be subtle and not interfere with the value, colour or with the other fabrics.

Main Fabric:

- **Fabric 2: DARK OR LIGHT – Choose carefully!**

If the Background is Dark – this should be the lightest fabric of them all.

If the Background is Light – this should be the darkest fabric of them all.

This fabric should be either a print, solid or tonal so the fabric still reads either the darkest or the lightest than all other fabrics.

Secondary Fabrics:

- **Fabric 3: Medium Dark** This should be the lighter than your darkest, but darker than Fabric 4 (see examples). This print needs to be different scale and should appear to be darker than Fabric 4.

- **Fabric 4: Medium Light** This should be lighter than Fabric #3 and you can select the same colour family as Fabrics 2 and 3. This can also be a contrast. It can be tonal, solid, print.

Note: Consider the size & scale of the prints on these two fabrics (as recommended above). They should be visually different from each other and this will add interest.

Binding Fabric:

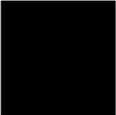
- **Binding:** I prefer a dark binding, no matter whether Fabric 1 is dark or light. I recommend choosing the darkest fabric or a coordinating dark fabric.

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Examples of fabric selections that would work:

These are JUST SUGGESTIONS to assist in choosing your fabrics. Please compare the images below with the descriptions of the hints & tips to help with your selections:

1	2	3	4	Binding
				
				

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- Quantities specified are for 44/45" wide fabrics
- 100% cotton fabrics are recommended.
- Stripes or Directional fabrics are NOT recommended.

Please note: If you like to pre-wash fabric before cutting, please allow extra yardage to the amounts provided below to allow for any shrinkage that may occur.

Fabric requirements are calculated on actual width of strips cut plus 3-4" to allow for all straightening. You will be given a **Fabric Selection Swatch Sheet** to place your fabric selections in their proper order. This will be your reference sheet to 'check twice when cutting' and during class.

FABRIC	COZY LAP SIZE	DOUBLE SNUGGLER SIZE
Fabric 1	1.9 metres	3.3 metres
Fabric 2	1.2 metres	1.9 metres
Fabric 3	0.4 metres	0.8 metres
Fabric 4	0.3 metres	0.6 metres

Choose Border Option and add amounts to the appropriate Fabric above:

Upsize with Plain Border Option:

Fabric 1	1.1 metres	1.9 metres
BINDING: Dark Fabric	0.6 metres	0.7 metres

Upsize with Pieced Border Option:

Fabric 1	2.2 metres	2.6 metres
Fabric 2	0.6 metres	0.6 metres
BINDING: Dark Fabric	0.6 metres	0.8 metres

Additional Supplies - Optional

These additional supplies are optional but come highly recommended by our testers to make the job easier.

- ✓ (10) Large zippered baggies to keep pieces labeled and organized (using one for scraps).