

# *Caring for your Quilt*

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## **Washing**

Wash in cold water with mild detergent on a short cycle.  
(free of perfumes, no brighteners and no bleach - tide will also cause fading).

## **Color catchers**

Color Catchers are a white sheet that goes into the washing machine with the laundry load. It traps the loose dyes that are released during the washing cycle. Color catchers come in boxes of 24 and are available at grocery stores and amazon. I highly recommend using with all quilts.

## **Drying**

You can partially dry in the dryer on AIR only and No heat. Quilts are heavy when they are wet so it's important to try to support its weight. It is best to finish drying by using an air method by lying on your dining room table; rails on your stairs or even hanging over several chairs (just remember to support the weight so it doesn't stretch your quilt).

Keep out of direct sunlight as the sun can fade your quilt

When storing, never put in a plastic bag or a cardboard box. It is best to always put it in a pillow case so that it can breathe.

Also, when storing you should take it out a folded quilt and fold it a different way so it doesn't cause a permanent crease in the quilt where it was folded.

Most quilts only need to be washed once a year. If you have pets and use frequently then you may want to wash a little more frequently.

## **Photo Quilts/Pillows**

Photos can be washed by hand or machine wash in cold water but DO NOT use detergent. If machine washing, use gentle cycle and remove promptly. If soiled, add a small amount of liquid fabric softener to cold water wash. Lay flat to dry.

I hope you enjoy your new handmade custom quilt.  
Please contact me should you have any questions or need any assistance.