Fun Balloon Sculpture Appliqué


## Love With A Twist Quilt-Along 2019

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Throw size quilt - Finished size 50.5" x 68.5" In this pdf: Instructions for assembling the blocks and border of the Love with a Twist throw-size quilt.


## Before you start

Please read all the instructions before beginning. WOF = width of fabric. Seam allowances of $1 / 4$ " are assumed throughout.

The Love with a Twist appliqué quilt can be assembled before or after the appliqués are completed. These instructions give the sizes of the blocks ready for final construction. If you choose to appliqué your blocks before assembly, the blocks should initially be cut over-sized to allow for trimming after construction. It is up to you to add extra seam allowances for this according to your needs.

## For ONE throw quilt background and border, you will need:

Assuming fabric of 42" WOF or wider

- $21 / 4$ yards of background fabric
-1 yard of sashing fabric
Note this list excludes all requirements for the appliqués. Also, if you wish to do both quilts, you will need twice the materials.


## Cutting the Background Blocks

Step 1
Cut out the 10 main blocks from yardage as listed In the following table.

| Block | Size (unfinished, trimmed) | Appliqué Motif |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | $13^{\prime \prime} \times 15.5^{\prime \prime}$ | Poodle or Floppy-eared Dog |
| 2 | $12.5^{\prime \prime} \times 15.5^{\prime \prime}$ | Koala or Swan |
| 3 | $13^{\prime \prime} \times 26^{\prime \prime}$ | Flamingo or Giraffe |
| 4 | $9.5^{\prime \prime} \times 11.5^{\prime \prime}$ | Duck or Frog |
| 5 | $9.5^{\prime \prime} \times 7.5^{\prime \prime}$ | Fish or Rabbit |
| 6 | $16^{\prime \prime} \times 20 "$ | Love or Pig |
| 7 | $13^{\prime \prime} \times 20 "$ | Monkey or Owl |
| 8 | $11.5^{\prime \prime} \times 9.5 "$ | Butterfly or Turtle |
| 9 | $14 " \times 21 "$ | Parrot or Seahorse |
| 10 | $25.5^{\prime \prime} \times 10.5^{\prime \prime}$ | Elephants or Crocodile |

A suggested cutting guide is provided on Page 3 for blocks cut from a single piece of fabric. However, blocks can also be cut individually from multiple fabrics if you wish. All measurements are given in inches and are for blocks ready for piecing (ie seam allowance added but no trimming allowance given). If you are using a fabric of width 44" (such as a batik), you may also be able to cut some of your $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ border squares from the wastage along the selvedge. For 40-42" wide fabrics, or if you are adding extra seam allowances for later trimming, you will not be able to do this.

Step 2
Cut $48 \times 3.5^{\prime \prime} \times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares from the background fabric. If you require all the squares to come from fresh yardage, cut $5 \times 3.5$ " WOF strips and sub-cut into 3.5 " squares. If you have salvaged some squares from the wastage in Step 1, decrease the number of 3.5" WOF strips accordingly.


Cutting plan for Love with a Twist blocks. Yardage length required is minimum 76", unless your fabric is sufficiently wide to yield $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ square blocks down the edge as shown. Then the minimum required is 69". This translates to realistic yardages of 2.25 yards of 40-42" WOF or 2 yards of 44" WOF respectively.

## Cutting the Sashing for the Quilt Body

## Step 3

Cut $5 \times$ WOF 2 " strips from sashing fabric.

## Step 4

Piece and sub-cut the 2" strips into the following combinations:

- join two strips end to end and sub-cut to three lengths of 47", 26.5" and 9.5".
- cut one strip to $26.5^{\prime \prime}$ and $15.5^{\prime \prime}$
- cut one strip to 21" and 20"
- cut one strip to $25.5^{\prime \prime}$ and $13^{\prime \prime}$

If you only have usable WOF of 40 ", you will need six 2 " strips to cut all these pieces, and you will have multiple short strips remaining. Save these off-cuts, they will be used in the border.

## Cutting the Sashing for the Border

## Step 5

Cut $5 x$ WOF 1.5 " strips from sashing fabric.
Join three strips end to end and sub-cut $2 \times 58.5$ " strips. Trim the two remaining strips to 42.5 ". These four strips are your inner border.

## Step 6

Cut 4x WOF 2" strips from sashing fabric (or use offcuts from Step 4 if you have them). Cut the 2 " strips into $48 \times 2$ " $\times 3.5$ " lengths. These are for the pieced section of the border.

## Step 7

Cut 6x WOF 1.5 " strips from sashing fabric.
Join three of these strips end to end and sub-cut a $66.5^{\prime \prime}$ strip and a 50.5 " strip.
Repeat with remaining strips to create a total of $2 \times 66.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips and $2 \times 50.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips. These strips are your outermost border.

## Constructing the Quilt Top

Always place fabrics right sides together to sew. Press each seam as it is sewn. Referring to the diagrams:

Step 8
Sew the 13 " sashing strip to the right of Block 1 . Sew other side of sashing to left of Block 2.


## Step 9

Sew the 9.5" sashing strip to the bottom of Block 4. Sew to the top of Block 5 .
Sew the 20 " sashing strip to the right of Blocks $4 / 5$. Sew to the left side of Block 6 .


Step 10
Sew a 26.5 " sashing strip to the bottom of Blocks $1 / 2$. Sew to the top of Blocks 4/6.


## Step 11

Sew the 13" sashing strip to the bottom of Block 3.
Sew to the top of Block 7. Sew the 47" sashing strip to the left of Blocks $3 / 7$.


Step 12

Sew the 21 " sashing strip to the right of Block 9 (see diagram below).
Step 13 - note: this step includes a partial seam, do not sew the full length of this seam. Sew Block 8 to the right of the Block 9/sashing combo. However, stop sewing about half way along the seam and backstitch a few stitches to secure. Press the top section of the seam as shown.


Finished partial seam will look like this when pressed.

Step 14
Sew the remaining $26.5^{\prime \prime}$ sashing strip to the top of partially sewn Blocks 8/9. Sew to the bottom of Blocks 5/6.


## Step 15

Sew Blocks $3 / 7$ to the right of Blocks 2/6/8.
Sew the $25.5^{\prime \prime}$ sashing strip to the bottom of blocks $7 / 8$. Sew to the top of Block 10 .


Step 16
Complete the partial seam running vertically between Block 9 and Block 8 .


You have now completed the main body of the Love with a Twist lap quilt. Your quilt body should measure $40.5 \mathrm{~s} \times 58.5 \mathrm{~F}$.

## Constructing the Border

Step 17
Sew the $58.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips from Step 5 to the sides of your quilt body. Sew the $42.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips to the top and bottom of the quilt body.


Step 18
Starting with a 2 " $\times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ piece, sew together alternating $14 \times 2$ " $\times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips to $13 \times 3.5^{\prime \prime} \times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares. This will form a pieced border 60.5" long. Repeat to make an identical second 60.5" border strip.
Then starting with a $3.5^{\prime \prime} \times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ square, sew together alternating $11 \times 3.5^{\prime \prime} \times 3.5$ " squares with $10 \times 2$ " $\times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips to form a pieced border $48.5^{\prime \prime}$ long. Repeat to create a second identical 48.5 " border strip.

Sew the $60.5^{\prime \prime}$ pieced borders to the sides of your quilt. Sew the 48.5 " pieced borders to the top and bottom of your quilt.


## Step 19

Sew the $66.5^{\prime \prime}$ strips from Step 7 to the sides of your quilt top (see diagram on previous page). Sew the 50.5 " strips to the top and bottom of your quilt. Press entire quilt top well.

Congratulations, you have finished constructing your Love with a Twist quilt top.
If you have assembled the quilt top in preparation for the appliqués, stay stitch or zigzag stitch around the edge of your quilt top to protect the edges while you work.

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