

MODERN QUICK QUILTING

I started my quilt on Nov. 29 (1992) and finished it January, 1993. It contained 16 Blocks, all different.

For each blocks you make templates and they are marked with the alphabet. For instance, the block named goose tracks 1 piece - VV, 1 piece - TT, to a total of 6 different pieces, all different. You also mark each piece with an arrow to show how to place each piece on the material and cut.

Then you start sewing these pieces together to form a block.

Matching colors for uniformity is also very important. You can make as many blocks as you wish, depending on the size you want to make your quilt.

After you make all your blocks you join them together with sashings. Sashings keep the blocks in a quilt from competing with each other, and unifies the quilt

Then there are the borders. Borders frame the blocks and sashings. When you are finished with the blocks, sashings and borders you are ready for the batting, which you take out of the bag and fluff with air for 2 - 3 days before using. Always cut the batting about 4 inches bigger. When you are working on a table work from the centre out.

Now you make the backing to fit the front of quilt and baste all three layers together. Again, work from the centre out. Baste all around and criss-cross every 4 inches. Leave basting around the edge. Quilt in the seamline by hand. When quilting is done you finish with a border which you can do with different colours to match your quilt. I used 3, starting with green flowered and finishing with green. It took about 500 hours to make.

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