

**Merrimack Valley Quilt Guild**  
**Mystery Quilt for Program Year 2026-2027**

Welcome back! I hope you are excited as I am for another exciting year of programs and fellowship with the members of MVQG. We are so blessed to have such a fabulous guild.

We will start out this month with getting our cutting out of the way. The finished quilt is a throw/twin size finishing about 70" x 70". All seams will be ¼ inch. Yardage requirements assume 40/41 inches of usable fabric (WOF).

It is recommended (but not required) that you use fabrics of the same hue (color family) with varying values (lights, mediums, dark) for your accent fabrics. Your background fabric should be a clear contrast to your accent fabrics.

**Fabric Requirements**

Accent A (Medium): 1 yard

Accent B (Dark): 1 yard

Accent C (Medium): 1 1/8 yards

Accent D (Light): 5/8 yard

Background/E: 1 ½ yards (should be a completely different hue/color family and a clear contrast to your accent fabrics.

Accent F (Medium): ½ yard

Accent G (Dark): ¼ yard

Binding (Dark): 5/8 yard

**Cutting**

**Accent (A):**

- Cut sixteen 2" × width-of-fabric (WOF) strips (if you sub-cut carefully, you may need less strips)
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 6 ½" strips – label these A1
  - Sub-cut twenty-nine 2" × 5" strips – label these A2
  - Sub-cut twenty-eight 2" × 9 ½" strips – label these A3
  - Sub-cut four 2" × 11" strips – label these A4
  - Sub-cut thirty-six 2" squares – label these A5
- Cut one 3 ½" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut twelve 3 ½" squares – label these A6

**Accent (B):**

- Cut four 2" × WOF strips.
  - Sub-cut six 2" × 11" strips – label these B1
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 12 ½" strips – label these B2
- Cut one 2 3/8" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut twelve 2 3/8" squares (label these B3) and one 2" × 9 ½" strip (label this B4)
- Cut two 5 ¼" × WOF strips.
  - Sub-cut sixteen 5 ¼" squares, then cut them twice diagonally – label these B5
- Cut seven 2" × WOF strips for the inner border – label these B6

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**Accent (C):**

- Cut four 2" × WOF strips. (if you sub-cut carefully, you may need less strips)
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 9 ½" strips (label these C1) and five 2" × 3 ½" strips (label these C2)
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 8" strips – label these C3
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 5" strips – label these C4
- Cut one 3 ½" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut twelve 3 ½" squares – label these C5
- Cut seven 3 1/2" × WOF strips for the outer border – label this C6

**Accent (D):**

- Cut seven 2" × WOF strips. (if you sub-cut carefully, you may need less strips)
  - Sub-cut five 2" × 8" strips – label these D1
  - Sub-cut twenty-nine 2" × 6 ½" strips – label these D2
  - Sub-cut twelve 2" squares – label these D3
- Cut one 5 ¼" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut eight 5 ¼" squares, cut twice diagonally – label these D4

**Background (E):**

- Cut three 3 ½" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut twenty-nine 3 ½" squares – label these as E1
- Cut seven 2" × WOF strips.
  - Sub-cut (144) 2" squares – label these as E2
- Cut one 2 3/8" × WOF strips.
  - Sub-cut twelve 2 3/8" squares – label these as E3
- Cut four 4 ½" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut thirty-two 4 ½" squares – label these as E4
- Cut one 5 ¼" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut eight 5 ¼" squares, cut twice diagonally – label these as E5

**Accent (F):**

- Cut six 2" × WOF strips.
  - Sub-cut twenty-four 2" × 9 1/2" strips – label these F1

**Accent (G):**

- Cut one 4 1/2" × WOF strip.
  - Sub-cut eight 4 ½" squares – label these G1

**Binding:**

- Cut eight 2 ½" × WOF strips for binding – label this as binding.

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