

a Whale Watching b

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Finished Quilt Approximately: 49" x 54" - Finished Center: 20" x 25"

Whale Watching fabrics by Exclusively Quilters - Style #3751

Fabric Requirements: Based on 44" wide fabric

7/8 yard whale print (#8871-2)

1-1/2 yards black solid (Classic Cottons Solid #400-400-888)

1-1/4 yards water print (#8876-2)

1-1/2 yards postcard print (#8872-2)

3-5/8 yards fabric for backing (#8871-2 whale print)

55" x 60" quilt batting

An added 1/8 to 1/2 yard is added to all yardages to account for shrinkage, straightening, cutting errors and prints that may require special cutting to get the best results.

You should protect your investment in time and fabric by making sample blocks before cutting into your fabric because Exclusively Quilters will take no responsibility for replacing fabrics.

Shops who wish to kit this design are responsible for figuring yardage for their kits if they wish to reduce yardages.

Cutting Directions: All measurements based on a 1/4" seam allowance.

From the **whale print** fabric:

Cut one 20-1/2" x 25-1/2"

From the **black solid** fabric:

Cut four 3-1/2" x 44" strips for border

Cut six 2-1/2" x 44" strips for binding

Cut ten 1-1/2" strips for borders

From the **water print** fabric:

Cut two 4-1/2" x 45" strips, cut the length of fabric - parallel to the selvage

From remaining fabric, cut four 4-1/2" by the remaining width of fabric, about 30"

From the **postcard print** fabric:

Cut two 6" x 54" strips, cut the length of fabric - parallel to the selvage

From remaining fabric, cut four 6" by the remaining width of fabric, about 30"

Directions:

1. Sew a 3-1/2" x 44" black strip to right and left sides of the 20-1/2" x 25-1/2" whale print center. Press and trim excess from these and all successive borders. Add remaining 3-1/2" x 44" black strips to the top and bottom of quilt center.
2. Stitch the 4-1/2" x 45" water strips to the right and left sides of quilt. Make two borders each with two 4-1/2" x 30" sewn together end-to-end. Add these borders to the top and bottom.
3. Add a 1-1/2" black border in the same manner as the first border.
4. Add the 6" postcard border in the same manner as the water border.
5. Cut two 1-1/2" x 44" black strips each into two equal lengths. Sew each half-length strip end-to-end with a full-length strip. Add these borders to the right and left sides then the top and bottom of quilt.
6. Cut backing into two equal lengths. Sew the two lengths together along selvage edges. Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Quilt or tie as desired.
7. Prepare binding from six 2-1/2" x 44" strips of black solid. Sew strips together into one long binding strip. Press strip in half lengthwise.
8. Carefully trim backing and batting even with quilt top.
9. Leaving an 8" tail of binding, sew binding to top of quilt through all layers matching all raw edges. Miter corners. Stop approximately 12" from where you started. Lay both loose ends of binding flat along quilt edge. Where these two loose ends meet, fold them back on themselves and press to form a crease. Using this crease as your stitching line, sew the two open ends of the binding together right sides together. Trim seam to 1/4" and press open. Finish sewing tape to quilt. Turn binding to back of quilt and blind stitch in place.