

I Beachcomber I

Quilt by Deb Mosa

Finished Quilt Approximately: 41-1/2" x 41-1/2" - Finished Block Size: 9" x 9"

Beachcomber fabrics by Exclusively Quilters - Style #3705

Fabric Requirements: Based on 44" wide fabric

7/8 yard blue (#8616-2)

1/2 yard gold (#8616-4)

1/2 yard cream starfish (#8619-4)

3/4 yard color wash (#8618-9)

3/8 yard seashells on cream (#8617-4)

3/8 yard seashells on blue (#8617-2)

1/3 yard blue border print (#8620-2)

1/3 yard red border print (#8620-7)

1-1/4 yard patchwork seashells (#8615-9)

1-1/2 yards fabric for backing (#8615-9 patchwork seashells suggested)

43" x 43" 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 **blue** fabric:

Cut one 4-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into two 4-1/2" squares** and four 2-3/4" squares

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

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

From the **gold** fabric:

Cut one 4-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into two 4-1/2" squares** and four 2-3/4" squares

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

From the **cream starfish** fabric:

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

From the **color wash** fabric:

Cut two 5-3/8" x 44" strips then recut into eight 5-3/8" squares*

Cut two 3-1/8" x 44" strips then recut into sixteen 3-1/8" squares*

From the **seashells on cream** fabric:

Cut one 6-7/8" x 44" strip then recut into four 6-7/8" squares

From the **seashells on blue** fabric:

Cut one 7-1/2" x 44" strip then recut into one 7-1/2" square**, one 5" square and two 4" sqs*

From the **blue border** fabric:

Cut one 5-3/4" x 44" strip then recut into two 5-3/4" squares**

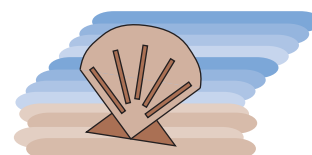
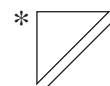
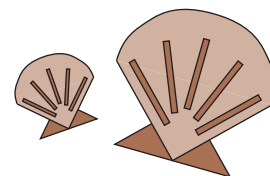
From the **red border** fabric:

Cut one 5-3/4" x 44" strip then recut into two 5-3/4" squares**

From the **patchwork seashells** fabric:

Cut two 4-1/2" x 36" strips cut parallel to the selvage

Cut four 4-1/2" strips from remaining fabric (about 32" wide)





Square in a Square Block:

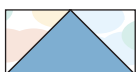
1. Stitch a 5-3/8" color wash half-square triangle to all four sides of the four seashells on cream 6-7/8" squares.



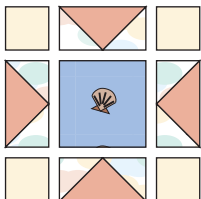
2. Make a total of four Square-in-a-Square Blocks.

Star Blocks:

1. Sew a 3-1/8" color wash half-square triangle to two sides of each 5-3/4" red border and blue border quarter-square triangles. Make eight units of each coloring.



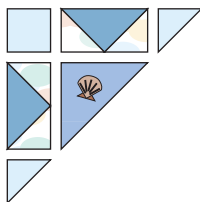
2. Lay out one 5" seashells on blue square, four color wash/ red border units and four 2-3/4" gold squares as shown. Stitch pieces into rows then sew the rows together. Make one whole block.



3. Lay out one color wash/red border unit, one 4" seashells on blue half-square triangle and two 4-1/2" gold quarter-square triangles as shown. Stitch the bottom row together then add the blue triangle. Make a total of four of these partial corner blocks.



4. Lay out one seashells on blue 7-1/2" quarter-square triangle, one 2-3/4" blue square, two 4-1/2" quarter-square triangles and two color wash/blue border unit. Stitch pieces into rows. Make a total of four partial side blocks.



Quilt Center and Borders:

1. Lay out all the blocks and partial blocks in diagonal rows as shown in the quilt diagram. Sew the blocks into diagonal rows. Sew the rows together matching seam allowances.

2. Trim quilt center to 1/4" past seam points, to approximately 26" x 26".

3. Stitch a 2-1/2" cream starfish strip to right and left sides of quilt. Press and trim excess from these and all successive border additions. Add 2-1/2" cream starfish borders to top and bottom of quilt.

4. Add a 1-1/2" gold border in the same manner.

5. Sew the 4-1/2" x 36" patchwork seashell strips to the right and left sides of quilt. Piece two borders each from two 4-1/2" strips cut from the remaining yardage then add these to the top and bottom of quilt.

6. Add a 1-1/2" blue border in the same manner as the first border.

Finishing:

1. Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Quilt or tie as desired.

2. Carefully trim backing and batting even with quilt top.

3. Prepare binding from five 2-1/2" x 44" strips of blue. Sew strips together into one long binding strip. Press strip in half lengthwise.

4. 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.

5. Turn binding to back of quilt and blind stitch in place.

