

I Beachcomber I

Quilt by Deb Mosa

Finished Quilt Approximately: 72-3/8" x 89-3/8" - Finished Block Size: 12" x 12"

Beachcomber fabrics by Exclusively Quilters - Style #3705

Fabric Requirements: Based on 44" wide fabric

2-1/8 yards blue (#8616-2)

1-5/8 yards gold (#8616-4)

3/4 yard cream starfish (#8619-4)

1-1/4 yard color wash (#8618-9)

1/2 yard seashells on cream (#8617-4)

3/4 yard seashells on blue (#8617-2)

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

1 yard red border print (#8620-7)

2-1/2 yard patchwork seashells (#8615-9)

5-1/2 yards fabric for backing (#8615-9 patchwork seashells suggested)

80" x 96" 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" x 44" strip then recut into eight 4" squares*

Cut four 3-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into forty 3-1/2" squares

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

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

From the **gold** fabric:

Cut thirteen 2-5/8" x 44" strips recut into forty-two 2-5/8" x 9" and twelve 2-5/8" x 5" pieces

Cut seven 2" x 44" strips for border

From the **cream starfish** fabric:

Cut seven 2-3/4" x 44" strips for border

From the **color wash** fabric:

Cut three 5" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-one 5" squares* and one 3-7/8" square*

Cut five 3-7/8" x 44" strips then recut into fifty 3-7/8" squares*

From the **seashells on cream** fabric:

Cut two 4-3/4" x 44" strips then recut into nine 4-3/4" squares and six 2-3/4" x 4-3/4" pieces

From the **seashells on blue** fabric:

Cut one 10" x 44" strip then recut into two 10" squares** and two 6-1/2" squares

Cut one 6-1/2" x 44" strip then recut into six 6-1/2" squares

From the **blue border** fabric:

Cut three 5-1/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 5-1/8" squares***

From the **red border** fabric:

Cut two 4-3/4" x 44" strips then recut into eighteen 2-5/8" x 4-3/4" rectangles

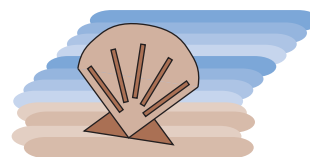
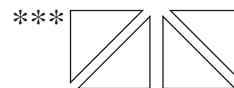
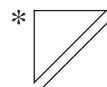
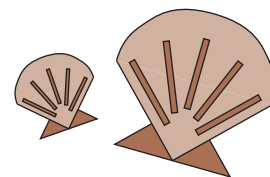
Cut one 2-3/4" x 44" strip then recut into twelve 2-5/8" x 2-3/4" rectangles

Cut six 2-5/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-5/8" x 9" rectangles

From the **patchwork seashells** fabric:

Cut two 5-1/2" x 81" strips cut parallel to the selvage

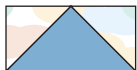
Cut six 5-1/2" strips from remaining fabric (about 30" wide)



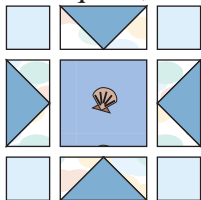


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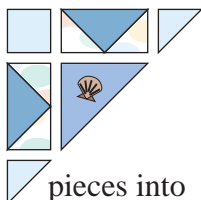
1. Sew a 3-7/8" color wash half-square triangle to two sides of each 5-1/8" blue border half-square triangles. Make forty-eight units.



2. Lay out one 6-1/2" seashells on blue square, four color wash/blue border units and four 3-1/2" blue squares as shown. Stitch pieces into rows then sew the rows together. Make eight whole star blocks.

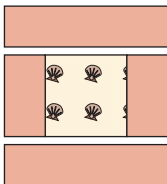


3. Lay out one seashells on blue 10" quarter-square triangle, one 3-1/2" blue square, two 4" half-square triangles and two color wash/blue border unit. Stitch pieces into rows. Make a total of eight partial side blocks.

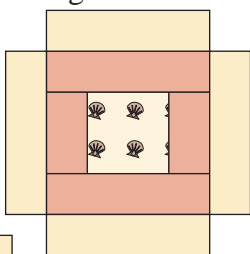


Mosaic Blocks:

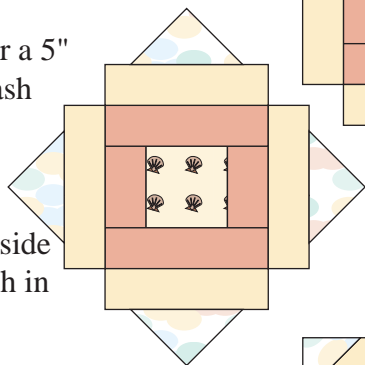
1. Use care that the pattern in the red border print is all in the same direction. Stitch a 2-5/8" x 4-3/4" red border strip to two opposite sides of a 4-3/4" seashells on cream square. Add 2-5/8" x 9" red border strips to the remaining two sides.



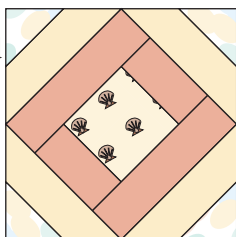
2. Sew a 2-5/8" x 9" gold strip to all four sides of the block center.



3. Center a 5" color wash half-square triangle on each side and stitch in place.

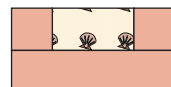


4. Trim each block to a finished 12-1/2" square.

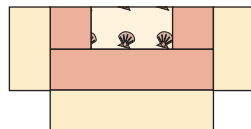


5. Make a total of nine whole Mosaic blocks.

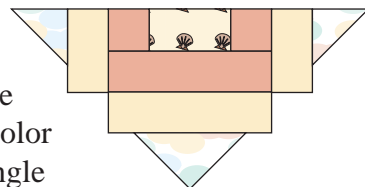
6. Sew a 2-5/8" x 2-3/4" red border strip to short ends of each of the 2-3/4" x 4-3/4" seashells on cream pieces. (NOTE: Three partial mosaic blocks will be along the top edge and three along the bottom edge - the red border print should be orientated to reflect this.) Sew a 2-5/8" x 9" red border print to a long side.



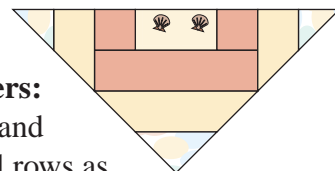
7. Sew a 2-5/8" x 9" gold strip to the long red border strip and 2-5/8" x 5" gold strips to the short red border sides.



8. Add two 3-7/8" color wash half-square triangles and one 5" color wash half-square triangle as shown.



9. Trim the partial blocks on the short sides 1/4" past the seam point between the gold strips. The long edge will be trimmed after the quilt center is put together.



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 51-3/8" x 68-3/8".

3. Make two borders each with two 2" x 44" gold strips sewn together end-to-end. Add these to the right and left sides of quilt. Press and trim excess from these and all successive border additions. Cut one 2" x 44" gold strip into two equal lengths. Sew each half-strip end-to-end with a whole strip. Add these to the top and bottom of quilt.





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Quilt Center and Borders: (continued)

4. Make and add a 2-3/4" cream starfish border in the same manner as the first border.
5. Make and add a 1-1/2" blue border in the same manner as the first border.
6. Add the 5-1/2" x 81" patchwork seashell borders to the right and left sides of quilt. Make the top and bottom borders each from three 5-1/2" x 30" strips sewn together, matching print as much as possible. Add these borders to the top and bottom of quilt.
7. Make four borders each with two 1-1/2" x 44" blue strips sewn together end-to-end. Cut the remaining 1-1/2" x 44" blue strip into two equal lengths. Sew the half-length strips end-to-end with two of the double-length strips. Add these extra long borders to the right and left sides of quilt. Sew the remaining double-length borders to the top and bottom of quilt.

Finishing:

1. Cut backing fabric into two equal lengths and then stitch the lengths together along selvage edges creating a panel two fabric widths wide. 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 nine 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.

