

Op Art II Quilt

Using Op Art II fabrics by Gail Kessler with additional fabrics from Op Art I by Kathy Hall for Andover Fabrics Quilt designed by Janet Houts

Quilt finishes 76" x 96"

Oh, wow! These exciting

prints pack such a visual

punch in this easy-to-piece

but stunning quilt. Follow

the cutting instructions for

the borders to make the most

of the special optical effects.

8 double four patch blocks: 16" x 16" 7 square-in-a-square blocks: 16" x 16"

Fabric Requirements

Yardage Black/White Bright Fabric A double four-patch blocks 1 yard 5302-AK 5302-AK 1 vard Fabric B square-in-a-square blocks -----5307-KA includes binding, bright quilt* 1³/₄ yards* 5302-G* -----Fabric C double four-patch blocks 5/8 yard 5303-C 5303-C double four-patch blocks Fabric D 5/8 yard 5301-K 5301-K Fabric E square-in-a-square blocks 1 yard 5306-AK 5306-AK Fabric F square-in-a-square blocks 1 yard 5306-K 5302-K Fabric G square-in-a-square blocks 1 yard 5301-AK 5301-AK Fabric H square-in-a-square blocks 1 yard 5300-M 5300-M Fabric I double four-patch blocks 1/4 yard 5176-Y 5176-Y double four-patch blocks 1/4 yard Fabric J 5174-R ----incl. binding, black/white quilt** 5174-R** 1 yard -----Fabric K inner borders 5/8 yard 5307-AK 5307-AK Fabric L side borders 1 vard 5301-M 5303-AK Fabric M outer borders $1\frac{1}{2}$ yards 5307-BP 5302-K Backing 2 panels 100" x WOF per quilt 5⁷/₈ yards 5301-M 5301-AK *includes binding, bright version; **includes binding, black/white

Cutting Directions

Note: Measurements for borders are the exact length required plus ¹/₄" seam allowances. WOF designates the width of fabric from selvedge to selvedge (approximately 42" wide).

- Fabric AFor the double four-patch blocks, cut
(16) $8^{1/2}$ " x $8^{1/2}$ " squares
- **Fabric B** For the square-in-a-square blocks, cut (14) 8¹/₂" x 8¹/₂" squares For the "bright" quilt, cut (10) strips binding 2¹/₂" x WOF
- Fabric C For the double four-patch blocks, cut $(32) 4^{1/2}$ " x $4^{1/2}$ " squares
- Fabric D For the double four-patch blocks, cut $(16) 4^{1/2}$ " x $4^{1/2}$ " squares
- Fabric EFor the square-in-a-square blocks, cut
 $(14) 8^{1/2}$ " x $8^{1/2}$ " squares
- Fabric FFor the square-in-a-square blocks, cut(7) $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $16\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- Fabric G For the square-in-a-square blocks, cut (7) $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $16\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

- Fabric H For the square-in-a-square blocks, fussy cut(7) 6¹/₄" squares, centering the squares as shown in the quilt picture
- Fabric IFor the double four-patch blocks, cut
 $(8) 4^{1/2}$ " x $4^{1/2}$ " squares
- Fabric JFor the double four-patch blocks, cut (8) $4^{1}/2^{"} \ge 4^{1}/2^{"}$ squaresFor the "black/white" quilt, cut (10) strips binding $2^{1}/2^{"} \ge WOF$

Fabric K Cut 7 strips 2¹/₂" x WOF. Piece these strips to make
(2) side borders 80¹/₂" long and
(2) top/bottom borders 52¹/₂" long

- Fabric LCut 5 strips 6½" x WOF. Piece these strips to make
(2) side borders each 84½" long.
- **Fabric M** Cut 8 strips 6¹/₂" x WOF. Piece these strips to make (2) side borders 84¹/₂" long and (2) top/bottom borders each 76¹/₂" long
- **Backing** Cut (2) panels 100" x WOF, pieced to fit quilt top with 4" overlap

Making and Assembling the Quilt

- Make the double four-patch blocks. Referring to diagram 1 for block piecing, join (2) fabric C squares, a fabric D square, and a fabric I square to make a small four-patch block. Repeat with (2) fabric C squares, a fabric D square, and a fabric J square. Paying attention to the orientation of the patches, join the small four-patch blocks with(2) fabric A squares to complete the block. Make 8.
- 2. Make the square-in-a-square blocks. Referring to Diagram 2, align a fabric B 8¹/₂" x 8¹/₂" square right sides together with one end of a 8¹/₂" x 16¹/₂" fabric F rectangle. Draw a line on the square from corner to corner as shown. Stitch on the drawn line and trim excess fabric, leaving ¹/₄" seam allowance. Press the triangle open. Repeat for the other end of the rectangle with a fabric E square to make a unit. Repeat, using a B and an F square and a fabric G rectangle. Referring to the block piecing diagram, join the units.
- 3. Prepare the fabric H squares for your favorite method of appliqué. The measurements include a ¹/₄" turn-under allowance for traditional applique. If you are using fusible appliqué, follow the manufacturer's instructions and apply fusible web to the back of the squares. Trim the squares to 6" x 6". Referring to the quilt picture, center a prepared square over the joined units. Appliqué it in place. Make 7.
- **4.** Referring to the quilt assembly, arrange the blocks alternately to make 5 rows of 3 blocks each. Join the blocks into rows. Join the rows.
- **5.** Matching centers and ends, join the longer fabric K strips to the sides of the quilt. Similarly, join the shorter fabric K strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.
- 6. Add the fabric L borders to the sides of the quilt.
- 7. Matching centers and ends, join the longer fabric M strips to the sides of the quilt. Similarly, join the shorter fabric M strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Finishing the Quilt

8. Layer quilt with batting and backing. Quilt in the ditch around borders and block patches. Quilt around the printed motifs in the blocks and borders or as desired. Bind to finish the quilt.



Make 7

Square-in-a-square piecing Diagram 2

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Quilt Diagram



*Indicates fabric used in quilt pattern. Fabrics shown are 25% of actual size. Revised 6/15/11

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