

Designed and made by Margaret Okuley,
inspired by an antique central medallion
quilt (circa 1840-1860)
Finished Size: 67" x 67"



Frosted Cupcakes

Fabrics:

Fat quarter of toile for center square

1½ yards assorted light fabric

¼ yard assorted medium fabric

1½ yards assorted dark fabric

½ yard neutral background (center corner triangles)

½ yard assorted light greens (border 1)

2⅛ yards large floral for border

¾ yard for binding

4 yards backing

Cutting directions:

Toile fat quarter:

- cut 8½" square (center)

Assorted lights:

- (24) 2½" squares (center)
- (4) 7¼" squares cut twice diagonally to yield (16) quarter-square triangles (border 2)
- (4) 3⅞" squares cut once diagonally to yield (8) half-square triangles (border 2)
- (4) 3½" squares (border 2)
- (14) 7¼" squares cut twice diagonally to yield (56) triangles (border 4)
- (8) 3⅞" squares cut once diagonally to yield (16) half-square triangles (border 4)

Assorted mediums:

- (24) 2½" squares (center)

Assorted darks:

- (5) 7¼" squares cut twice diagonally to yield (20) quarter-square triangles (border 2)
- (24) 6½" X 3½" rectangles (border 3)
- (4) 3½" squares (border 3)
- (32) 4¾" squares (border 4)

Neutral background:

- (2) 12⅞" squares cut once diagonally to yield (4) corner triangles (center)

Assorted light greens:

- (12) 3½" x 6½" rectangles (border 1)
- (12) 3½" squares (border 1)

Large floral:

- (7) strips 7" x wof (border 5)

Binding fabric:

- (8) strips 2 ½" x wof (binding)

Construction:

Center medallion:

1. For the center medallion, make (12) four-patch units from the assorted 2½" light and medium squares.
2. Join (2) sets of four-patches and sew to opposite sides of the center square. Sew (4) four-patches to the other two sides.
3. Sew large neutral triangles to the corners. Triangles are oversized.
4. Trim center block to a 24½" square.

Border 1:

1. Sew green rectangles and squares together to make (4) 24½" border strips.
2. Sew borders to sides of center medallion. Add 3 ½" squares to the ends of the two remaining borders and add to top and bottom of center.

Border 2:

1. Lay out 4 light and 5 dark quarter-square triangles. Add two light half-square triangles to each end to complete border. Make (4) borders. Sew one border strip to each side.
2. Add a light square to each end of remaining border 2 strips and add to top and bottom of center.

Border 3:

1. Sew (6) assorted dark rectangles together end to end. Make four strips. Sew border to sides of center.
2. Add dark 3½" square to ends of remaining strips and add to top and bottom of center.

Border 4:

1. Lay out (7) dark 4¾" squares and (6) pairs of assorted light quarter-square triangles. Piece the triangles to the squares in diagonal rows. Add two half-square triangles to each end to complete a border. Make two and join these as the side borders.
2. Lay out (9) dark 4¾" squares and (8) pairs of assorted light quarter-square triangles. Add a pair of half-square triangles to each end to complete the top and bottom borders. Join to the quilt.

Border 5:

1. Piece the floral strips to make (2) borders 54½" x 7" and (2) borders 67½" x 7". Add borders to sides of quilt first, then to top and bottom.

Finishing:

Layer with backing and quilt. Bind quilt with 2½" binding strips.