

Dialogue between Joe-the-Quilter and DMQG Member Annette about Rock the Block Workshop Quilt Dimensions

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Refer to Rock the Block section at Joe's website.

Message 1 asks Joe question about Rock the Block quilt dimensions.

Message 2 are answers from Joe with images.

Message 3 summarizes dimension information very briefly.

Message 4 is Joe's approval to share his email contents.

1. On Jul 23, 2017, at 10:55 AM, Annette DeMay wrote:
Hi Joe!

I've sent in registration for your Rock the Block class in Steamboat.

Based on four 1-yard pieces of fabric and your example showing so much more white than other colors, I wonder how much of a quilt such as your example we'd make with those 4 yards?

Do the class materials aim for making something with size akin to the lively color-mixed "center" of your quilt? ("Borders" to be added later from other fabric as students desire?)

Or would 1 of our 4 colors allow for some border layout too, using about as much fabric proportional to the "center" as the setting you show?



Realizing quilt dimensions will vary among students, what approximate dimensions may we expect to create out of the 4 yards? For example, what are the approximate dimensions of your example "center"? whole quilt?

I heard one of your fun lectures at the Hi Desert Quilt Guild in Ridgecrest, CA years ago and have been spreading enthusiasm to Steamboat quilters.

Looking forward to hearing from you and enjoying your visit to Steamboat Springs.

:o) Annette

2. On Jul 23, 2017, at 12:52 PM, Joe Cunningham wrote:

Hi Annette,
I remember that Ridgecrest date fondly. Lots of fun.

What we are going to do is to follow a step by step process to create blocks. You are right to think that there is great variation in how much people will finish in class. I specify 4 yards so that people will have enough to make a full size quilt if they want, although that would mean repeating the process a couple more times at home. In class we will have lots of fabric left over after we create enough blocks for a crib size top. If you do only the single **process I specify in class you will end up with about 25, 6 1/2" blocks, to which you can** add borders. People that sew faster can repeat the process. and double the number of blocks. Also, there are super quick ways of creating custom blocks toward the end of the day to enhance aspects of the design.

The center of my not-full-size example is about 48 x 60.
Here are some examples from a recent class that will give you an idea of what we can do in one day. Each **block is 6 1/2" square. Some people ended up with 20 blocks, some with** over 40. The process is simple and repeatable so you can make as many as you wish.
See you soon!
Joe







3. On Jul 23, 2017, at 3:19 PM, Annette DeMay wrote:

Joe,

Thanks for your very helpful reply. Because I mentioned at our recent guild meeting that I had been to your website, people asked me what the dimensions of the quilt would be. Do you mind if I share your email in response to them? Or I could just summarize:

+ **Dimensions of the colorfully patched “center” of Joe's website example is about 48” x 60”, made from 6 1/2” blocks.**

+ Joe specifies 4 yards so that people will have enough to make a full size quilt if they want.

+ In class, we'll make more-or-less enough blocks for a crib size, with lots of the 4 yards of fabric to continue on our own.

Smiles—soon in person,

:o) Annette

4. **From: Joe Cunningham**

Date: July 23, 2017 at 4:41:06 PM MDT

Perfect!

Joe