

# Grand Hotel Mystery Quilt

a mystery quilt by Debbie Caffrey ©2018

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The finished size of the quilt is 88" x 88".

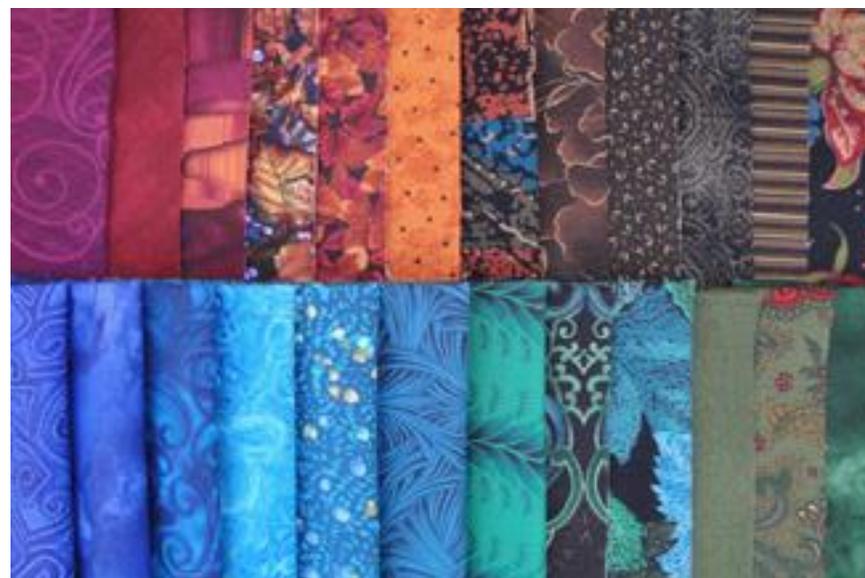
When selecting fabrics for this mystery quilt, be aware that you will see a lot of your light background fabrics. The background fabrics should blend to make a nice background, but they should not look like a single fabric.

In addition to the background fabrics, you need a number of medium to dark value fabrics that contrast with the background fabrics. Use color and/or value to achieve some contrast among the medium to dark fabrics. The medium to dark fabrics will be used in pairs, so some contrast is necessary, but not every medium to dark fabric has to contrast with all the other medium to dark fabrics. I'll help you organize and pair your fabrics in class.

At the right you will see two photos from my book, *Surprise Yourself!* These fabrics are an example of some fabrics that would work well for this mystery quilt. Use any color scheme you'd like. These fabrics are only one possibility and are shown here just to give you an idea of the concepts of light, blending, medium to dark, value contrast, color contrast, etc.

Do not use a directional fabric for the light border or dark border fabrics.

The fabric requirements, other supplies for class, and precutting instructions are on the following pages. There will be much more cutting during class, so bring your tools – mat, cutter, and suggested rulers!





## **Cutting Instructions for Grand Hotel Mystery**

Strips are cut across the width of the fabric, making them approximately 40" long with selvages on each of the short ends.

### **Light Background Fabrics**

**Cut the following pieces from each of the eight light background fabrics.**

Cut two strips 4½" wide.

Use the strips to cut eighteen 4½" squares.

Cut one strip 4⅜" wide.

Use the strip to cut eight 4⅜" squares.

Cut these squares into half-square triangles.

Yield: 16 triangles



Cut one strip 3⅜" wide.

Use the strip to cut eight 3⅜" squares.

Cut these squares into half-square triangles.

Yield: 16 triangles



### **Medium to Dark Fabrics**

To make this quilt, **you need a total of forty-eight strips** that are cut 1¾" wide. Here is a great place to use fabrics from your stash!

**You must cut groups of three strips per fabric if you are using sixteen fabrics or six strips per fabric if you are using eight fabrics, as directed below.**

**If you use sixteen different fabrics,** cut three strips 1¾" wide from each of the sixteen different fabrics.

**If you use eight different fabrics,** cut six strips 1¾" wide from each of the eight different fabrics.

### **Very Dark or Bright Tone on Tone or Small Print**

Cut five strips 2½" wide.

### **Light Border**

Cut two strips 4½" wide.

Cut three strips 3½" wide.

Cut eight strips 2½" wide.

Cut two strips 1½" wide.

### **Dark Border**

Cut one strip 8½" wide.

Use the strip to cut four 8½" squares.

Cut two strips 7½" wide.

Cut three strips 6½" wide.

Cut three strips 5½" wide.

Cut two strips 4½" wide.