

Kasuri Diamonds
Designed by Toby Lischko on EQ6
for Hoffman Fabrics
Quilt size: 65" x 74" Block size: 8 3/4" x 15"

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

2 1/2 yards E650-58 Earth (brown #1) for border, binding and blocks

1/2 yard each: E651-58 Earth (brown #2), E655-58 Earth (brown #3), E652-58 Earth (brown #4), and E652-92 Slate (blue)

7/8 yard each: E652-24 Alabaster (cream, #1), E653-24 Alabaster (cream #2), and E655-24 Alabaster (cream #3)

1/4 yard each Hoffman batiks: 414 Biscotti, 84 Wheat, 895 Chestnut, 367 Aspen, 1895-442 Flax, 1895-203 H2O, 1895-248 Cancun, and 1895-19 Navy

4 yards for back

*****PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING*****

Special instructions:

- This pattern consists of large diamonds. You need a long ruler with a 60 degree angle on it. To cut the diamonds you line up the 60 degree line along the top edge of the strip. You can also use a 60 degree triangle ruler, the largest one available, for your initial cut and half-diamonds.
- This quilt has many bias edges. Spray starch and press your fabric before cutting. It will keep the fabric from stretching when cutting and sewing.
- Always pin your bias edges to keep them from stretching.
- Press seams open between diamonds for less bulk.
- The quarter-diamond units surrounding the large diamond has a left and right orientation. To cut both the left and right sides at the same time, fold the fabric strips in half-wrong sides together.
- To save fabric, one of the strips is cut slightly larger for the half-diamonds and then trimmed down to cut the large diamonds.
- An accurate 1/4" seam is essential to the piecing of this quilt.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

From **each** of the batiks: Cut **(8)** - 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles and **(3)** - 2 1/2" x 6 5/8" rectangles. **(2)** - 2 1/2" strips each. You will have some rectangles left over.

E655-24 Alabaster, E652-24 Alabaster, and E653-24 Alabaster: Cut **(1)** - 8 1/2" strip and **(1)** - 8" strip from **each**.

E655-58 Earth, E651-58 Earth, E652-58 Earth, E650-58 Earth, and E652-92 Slate: From **each** cut **(2)** - 5" strips. Place wrong sides together and sub-cut into **(8)** - 8 5/8" x 5" rectangles. Cut these in half diagonally (corner to corner). You will have 8 left and 8 right quarter-diamonds - QD (80 total).

Border and binding: Cut **(8)** - 5 1/2" strips and **(7)** - 2" strips.

CUTTING QUARTER, HALF, AND FULL DIAMONDS

From E655-24 Alabaster (cream #3): Cut **(2)** half-diamonds from the 8 1/2" strip (one from each end, one point up, the other point down. Bottom of half-diamond should equal 9 1/2". (Illustration #1) Now trim the remainder of the strip to 8".

From E653-24 Alabaster (cream #2) and E652-24 Alabaster (cream #1): Cut **(1)** half-diamond from each 8 1/2" strip.

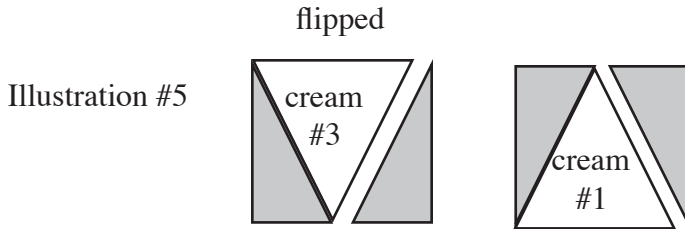
Trim these strips to 8".

From the remaining 8" strips cut **(6)** full diamonds of each fabric. Line up the ruler on the 60 degree side and along the 8" line and cut. (Illustration #2)

3. Starting with cream #1 on top, matching diamond points (you can trim these right before you sew the seam) and keeping blue QD on the left side of all blocks, sew on Cream #2, then cream #3 then finish with cream #1 on the bottom. Press seams open.

Column #2

4. For half-blocks, sew brown #1 to the left side of HD cream #3 (flipped) and HD cream #1. (Illustration #5)



5. Sew brown #2 to the right side of both HD.

6. Sew two brown #1 to the left side of cream diamond #1, #2, and #3 as in illustration #3.

7. Sew two brown #2 to the right side of same diamonds as in illustration #4.

8. Starting with the HD cream #3 on top, matching diamond points and keeping brown #1 on the left side of all blocks, sew on cream #1, then cream #2, then cream #3, then finish with HD cream #1.

Column #3

9. Sew two brown #2 to the left side of two diamond cream #3, one cream #1, and one cream #2.

10. Sew two brown #3 to the right side of same diamonds.

11. Starting with cream #3 and keeping brown #2 on left side of all blocks, sew on cream #1, then #2, and finish with #3 on bottom.

Column #4

12. For half-blocks, as in step #4, sew brown #3 on left side of HD cream #2 (flipped) and HD cream #3.

13. Sew brown #4 to right sides of HD.

14. Sew two brown #3 to left side of one diamond cream #1, #2, and #3.

15. Sew two brown #4 to right side of same diamonds.

16. Starting with the HD cream #2, matching diamond points and keeping brown #3 on the left side of all blocks, sew on cream #3, then cream #1, then cream #2, then finish with HD cream #3.

Column #5

17. Sew two brown #3 to the left side of two diamond cream #2, one cream #1, and one cream #3.

18. Sew two blue QD to the right side of same diamonds.

19. Starting with cream #2 and keeping brown #4 on left side of all blocks, sew on cream #3, then #1, and finish with #2 on bottom. All columns should equal 60 1/2" long.

Sash strips

20. Sew the 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles, short sides together in rows of 10, alternating blue and brown batiks. Rows will start with blue and end with brown. Make 6 rows.

21. Sash strips should equal 60 1/2". Match the center of the sash strips and diamond columns and trim ends or pin and ease to fit if necessary. Sew and press to sash strips. Alternate sash rows, starting with brown on top, column #1, then blue sash on top, then column #2, then brown sash on top, etc., and finish with a sash row.

22. Sew the 2 1/2" x 6 5/8" rectangles, short sides together in rows of 9. Alternate blues and browns. Make 2.

23. Measure through the center of the quilt. Trim strips if necessary. Match centers, pin and sew to quilt top and bottom.

BORDERS

24. Sew pairs of the 5 1/2" strips together with a diagonal seam for the top, bottom, and side borders. Measure through vertical (top to bottom) center of quilt and cut 2 border strips to this length. Center, pin and sew on sides.

25. Measure through horizontal center (side to side) of quilt and cut top and bottom borders to this width. Match centers, pin, and sew on top and bottom.

26. Layer top, batting, and pieced back and quilt as desired.

27. Sew the (7) - 2" binding strips together with diagonal seams on the short ends, press wrong sides together, match raw edges and sew on quilt top with a 1/4" seam. Turn and hand stitch to back of quilt.

Put a label on the back and ENJOY your beautiful new quilt!