## Tiles Quilt-Along, Part 1: Gather Your Supplies

Hello Friends, my name is Karin and I am visiting from Cascade Quilts blog. I am happy to bring you my very first quilt-along!


The quilt I will be featuring was inspired by a tiled floor, so I aptly named it "Tiles".

Tiles finishes at 90 " $\times 90$ " - the perfect size for a queen size bed in my opinion.


Tiles is a combination of 2 inch finished squares and 1 inch finished squares, and I chose to use 'low volume' prints for my quilt.

Don't be afraid of those 1 inch finished squares though - if you can do a scant $1 / 4$ inch seam allowance, you CAN do this!

I will be using a strip piecing construction which makes things go smoothly and I will be giving comprehensive cutting, piecing, and pressing instructions so all your seams will nest so you get perfect matching points.

I think Tiles would be fabulous alternating prints and a solid too-the 1 inch squares would stand out a bit more that way! I am considering making another quilt during the quilt-along and making it from my stash. Hop on over to Cascade Quilts and I will share two different layout variations using alternating solids.


We will use the first week in the Quilt-Along to gather supplies.

This pattern requires $40-44$ fat quarters. Please, read carefully! I chose to use a fat quarter bundle (FQB) of Ambleside by Brenda Riddle Designs for Moda.

If you use Moda precut fat quarters (FQ), they are a generous $181 / 2$ inches wide and you will be able to get all of your pieces cut from a 40 piece fat quarter bundle.

If you choose other fat quarters, you might not be able to get all of the pieces you need. If they are under 18 1/2" wide, you will need to add another additional 4 fat quarters to be able to get all the pieces necessary for the pattern. If you are unsure, start with the additional 4 fat quarters (or one yard total) 'just to be safe".

## Supplies List:

- 40-44 Fat Quarters (or 10 yards)
- $23 / 4$ yards wide quilt backing (or $51 / 4$ yards at 44 inch wide + scraps from the front for a pieced backing will work as well)
- $3 / 4$ yard binding (l used the cut-offs from the wide backing to use as my binding)


## Tools List:

- rotary cutter
- rotary cutting mat
- quilting ruler (I used a large Shape Cut ruler - this ruler is *excellent* for strip quilting. If you don't have one, I highly recommend it!)

Note: If you want to alternate a solid in the entire quilt, the fabric requirements are:

- 22 Fat Quarter prints (or $51 / 4$ yards); (20 if you use Moda precuts or your FQ's are at least 18.5 " wide)
- $51 / 4$ yards solid

Note: If you want to alternate a solid in JUST the 2" squares, the fabric requirements are:

- 30 Fat Quarter prints (or 7.5 yards)
- 3.5 yards solid

So, start gathering your supplies and watch for the next post in a week where we will start cutting into those fat quarters!

I have started a Flickr group to share your pictures if you plan to join in the quilt along! https://www.flickr.com/groups/2827925@N23/ is the link to the group.

"Tiles" Quilt-Along was designed and created for Bear Creek Quilting Company by Karin from

## Cascade Quilts.

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