

## Mystery Quilt 2017 - Clue #1 - February

You will love this mystery quilt. It isn't hard and there are no flying geese like the last 3 mysteries. This finished quilt is 67 x 85, but can be smaller by leaving off the borders.

Fabric choices should be solids, or fabrics that read as solids. If you don't understand what that means, any of our local quilt shops can help you. No prints, stripes etc.

Fabric #1 should be the darkest and most prominent color fabric in your quilt, so choose a color, and then choose other lighter ones to go with it. You will need at least 1.5 yds of the dark (Fabric 1). Then, two medium fabrics of at least 1.5 yds (Fabric 2) and 1.5 yd (Fabric 3). The last fabric will be your lightest and neutral at least 3 yds (Fabric 4). These are minimum requirements so you might want to add extra for mistakes and another yard of your choice for the binding. I chose the darkest for mine.

I suggest you write down your color next to Fabric 1, Fabric 2, etc. so you won't get confused, since you will be working with fabric numbers and letters on bags after this step. (The colors in parentheses are the colors that will be used in instruction illustrations.)

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Cutting instructions:

Label plastic bags A - H to make the whole year a breeze.

From Fabric 1 cut: My color is \_\_\_\_\_ (Brown)

2 strips - 3 1/2" wide - put in bag B

2 strips - 3 1/2" wide - subcut into 36 - 3 1/2" x 2" - put in bag D

2 strips - 3 1/2" wide - subcut into 36 - 3 1/2" x 2" - put in bag E

2 strips - 5" wide - subcut into 5" x 2" - put into bag E

6 strips - 1 5/8" wide - put in bag F

From Fabric 2 cut: My color is \_\_\_\_\_ (Rust)

4 strips - 2" wide - put in bag A

2 strips - 2" wide - put in bag B

6 strips - 2 3/4" wide - put in bag H

From Fabric 3 cut: My color is \_\_\_\_\_ (Med. Teal)

3 strips - 2 3/4" wide - put in bag H

From Fabric 4 cut: My color is \_\_\_\_\_ (Tan)

4 strips - 2" wide - put in bag A

6 strips - 1 5/8" wide - put in bag F

5 strips - 2 3/4" wide - subcut into 68 - 2 3/4" squares - put in bag G

3 strips - 2 3/4" wide put in bag H

Fabric 3 will also be combined with Fabric 4 to make 36 - 3" finished (3 1/2" unfinished) half square triangles using your favorite method. Cut fabric accordingly.

I prefer to paper piece mine and can give you a sheet of the right size if you'd like, just see me at the first meeting.

That's it for the first clue. Woohoo! Valerie

