

Mystery Quilt 2020. It's a mystery to me!

We are Sheltering in our homes and making masks and otherwise keeping ourselves busy. I want to offer you a mystery diversion. I'm going to give you one very easy 8.5 inch block. The mystery for all of us, is to take this block and make a quilt. You decide what colors you will use; decide the setting and the number of blocks you will make. It is versatile enough for each quilt to be very different. That's why it's also a mystery to me. I have no idea what your quilts will look like. The diagonal 4 patches marching through the block can be turned so the diagonal slopes down or up. Put it on point, and the diagonals are horizontal or vertical. You can make all the blocks scrappy, or all the same, or you can make groups of several different focus fabrics. All the choices are up to you and your creativity.

The 4 patches are formed by cutting 2 light and 2 dark strips at 1.5 inches WOF. Sew each light strip to a dark strip. Lay the second strata on the first dark on light, and light on dark, then cut the pair of strata at 1.5 inches each.



Pick up each pair and sew them together to make a 4 patch. You will get at least 26 4-patches from the 4 strips of fabric. This is enough to help you complete 6 blocks with 2 or 3 left over.



To make one block, Cut your chosen focus fabric(s) into (4) 2.5" squares, and (2) 4.5" squares.

The blocks are completed by making 2 larger 4-Patches with 2 of the previous 4-Patches, and 2 of the 2.5" squares.



Then make the largest 4-Patch by putting your 4.5 inch squares in the upper right and lower left corners. TA-DA. Your 8.5 inch block is done.



You can line the light squares through the block, or the dark squares, or alternate dark and light. You can even change the size of the blocks. Your choice.

4 blocks make a Kitsap snuggles, 16, 20 or 25 make a Kitsap Cuddles. 56 will make a hospice quilt. But save your favorite to hang in the quilt show in February.