

Gold Rush

68" x 68" (finished quilt)

This is a beautiful quilt using the black, gold and red muted color theme. This quilt was featured as the cover quilt in the February 2010 *Quiltmania* magazine. The easy grapevine applique is a simple yet stunning design. In class, we will only be covering the piecing of one block (no applique covered in class).

The Option 3 Flying Geese, Option 4 half-square triangles and the amazing Option 11 create this design. Due to the ease of the Square in a Square system, only 9 basic squares are required for each block. During class, you will learn the Square in a Square technique that eliminates the triangle hassle normally associated with cutting and sewing of multiple pieced blocks. You will also enjoy learning professional pressing and rotary cutting techniques and will be amazed at the speed and accuracy of this method.

In 1849 California discovered gold and the Gold Rush began. Some made a fortune with a lucky strike while others became wealthy selling the gold mining supplies.

Basic Supply List: thread, rotary cutter & mat, basic sewing supplies, stiletto, Square in a Square Original Ruler (or new Mini Ruler R-5), Abby's Schoolhouse pattern book

Fabric Amounts- (this is the amounts needed if you want to make the complete quilt)

3 yd. total of 7 black scraps or fat quarters

1 ½ yd. total of 3 red or brown scraps or fat quarters

2 ½ yd. total of 3 gold or red scrapss or fat quarters

1 ¾ yd. background light

¾ yd. setting triangles

1/3 yd. Border 1 red

1 yd. Border 2 dark print (does not allow for a directional or matching print)

1 yd. Binding

4 yds. Backing

(Notice: Label and bag all fabric for class. Strips are cut selvedge to selvedge)

Cutting (for one block)- this is the amount that will be required for class.

Notice: The steps given below are the sewing steps we will follow in class from the Abby's Schoolhouse pattern book.

Background

Cut 4 — 3" center squares for Option 3 Flying Geese - Step 1

Cut 4 — 3 3/8" center squares for Option 4 half-square triangles

Cut 3 — 1 3/4" strips for Option 3 surround strips - Step 1

Black or Dark for Each Block

Cut 3 — 1 3/4" strips for Option 3 surround strips - Step 1

Cut 2 — 3" strips into 18 — 3" squares for Option 3 Flying Geese – Step 1

Cut 1 — 3 1/2" square - Step 4

Cut 1 — 4" center square for Option 11 - Step 3

Brown or Red for Each Block - Scraps or Fat Quarters

Cut 1 — 2" strip into 4 — 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles - Step 4

Cut 1 — 3 1/4" strip for Option 11 row 2 surround - Step 3

Gold or Red for Each Block - Scraps or Fat Quarters

Cut 2 — 2 1/4" strips for Option 4 half-square triangle surround strips – Step 2

Cut 1 ---- 2 1/4" strip for Option 11 - row 1 surround strips - Step 4