

IEQG Quilter's Quest

Novice (All About Learning)

1	Do one of the guild charity projects (happy bags, isolette cover, or Royal Kids Camp quilt & pillow case) or make 5 door prize gifts for our quilt show (Pincushion) . <i>Required</i>
2	Go on a quilt run of at least 5 stops. Take a phone picture of your passport. <i>Required</i>
3	In a notebook you keep only for sewing, make a list of projects you want to do. Note if you have the pattern, fabric, who it is for, what you still need, and any other helpful information. This helps when shopping.
4	Copy these 35 terms and abbreviations into your notebook and their definitions: AOD, BOM, Charm Pack, Mini Charm Pack, E2E, EPP, FART, FMQ, FE (egg), FGU, FPP, FQ, HST, HSR, Jelly Roll, Honey Bun, Layer Cake, LAQ, LQS, Mystery Quilt, OOP, PIGS, QAL, QAYG, QST, Round Robin, Row Quilt, RST, SA, SQUID, UFO, WIP, WOF, WOMBAT, WST
5	Color and contrast matter. Select two fabrics that are high contrast (any bold color with white or black for instance) and another two fabrics that are different values of the same color (like baby pink and hot pink). You can also try two different prints in the same colors. Make sample blocks from the pairs of fabric. What do you notice about contrast? Analogous colors? Use your notebook to record color ideas.
6	Make 5 samples each (large like 10" or 12" finished squares) of the following blocks: 4 patch, 9 patch, Hourglass, and Pinwheel. Check for consistency of seam allowance and accurate cutting and piecing. Perfect practice makes perfect (Lombardi).
7	Learn two different ways to square up blocks and square 10 blocks using each method. What works best for you? Do you notice a difference when you sew your blocks together?
8	Know the difference between ironing and pressing? Ask an experienced guild member to show you how to press and prepare your quilt top for quilting. If you already have it down, ask for help with something else you need to know.
9	Take a class to learn a technique or to make a specific project.
10	Go to a quilt show.
11	Invite a friend to a guild meeting and introduce them around.
12	Label and record your quilts. List the quilts you've made, who they went to, the date/occasion in your sewing notebook. Add a picture if possible. AND Make at least one quilt label and affix it to one of your quilts.
13	Select a simple pattern and the materials to make it. Cut and sew the pattern.
14	Work on a project with a friend.
15	Enter something you have made in a quilt show.

*****Rules & Directions on back*****

Name: _____

Quest rules

1. You don't have to do this.
2. If you do this, you pick your own level to start with.
3. Start date is from July 1, 2024 and it goes through May 31, 2025.
4. You only have to do ten things on the list. Two are required but you pick another eight from the list of fifteen.
5. You can do them all if you want.
6. Once you complete an item, have someone you worked with or showed your work to initial the item on your list.
7. Once you've done your ten items, give the initialed list to Heide Nichols. She will give you your badge.
8. If you did all fifteen items, you get a gold bar to go under your badge.
9. You can start another list once you've finished your first quest list HOWEVER you have to do all the things on that list, too. Since some items are duplicated on different lists, you'll have to do it again. Example: You need to make two guild charity projects.
10. The whole point is have fun and get to know your quilting family!

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IEQG Quilter's Quest

Skilled (You know how to quilt, but can always grow your skills)

1	Do one of the guild charity projects (happy bags, isolette cover, or Royal Kids Camp quilt & pillow case) or make 5 door prize gifts for our quilt show (pincushions). Required
2	Attend two different quilt shows. Required
3	In a notebook you keep only for sewing, make a list of projects you have in progress (WIP) listing what still needs to be done on each. Make a separate list of projects you have on hand but have yet to start. Include anything you need to acquire for the project to finish it (backing, binding, pattern, template)! This helps when shopping.
4	Take a class to learn a new technique or to make a new project.
5	Using graph paper (or a fancy computer program) create a sampler quilt using at least 20 different blocks. These can be your favorites, blocks using different techniques, embellished blocks, whatever you like. Put a copy in your notebook.
6	Make your sampler quilt of a minimum 20 blocks (minimum 4" square). You can make the size and number of blocks you want, just at or above the minimums. Be sure to label it!
7	Volunteer to help out with something in the guild (an event , project, program, or the quilt show).
8	Show a novice member how to press and prepare a quilt top for quilting. Or, help with something else they need help with.
9	Go on a quilt run with another guild member OR visit a quilt store in another state or elsewhere in California.
10	Sell quilt guild tickets at a quilt run, event, or another guild.
11	Invite a friend to a guild meeting and introduce them around.
12	Attend a quilt retreat, day or overnight--or a sit and sew. Bring a project to finish.
13	Make a new quilt that challenges your abilities, perhaps using a new technique you learned like disappearing blocks, applique, paper piecing, embellishment, free motion quilting, or mixed modes like embroidery with patchwork. Complete it with a label!
14	Work on a project with a friend or fellow guild member.
15	Enter something you have made in a quilt show.

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Expert (You know your craft and delight in it, SQUID)

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2	Attend a national or international quilt show and a local quilt show. Required
3	In a notebook you keep only for sewing, write out an inventory of your stash and organize it to your liking. Set aside unfinished projects, orphaned fabric, or what you no longer need or want for charity. Can UFOs get finished? Can any of this be a brown bag donation?
4	Expand your expertise by attending a museum exhibit of quilts or researching a particular type of quilts. Examples might be Hawaiian whole cloth applique, red work, crazy quilts, etc. Add notes to your notebook.
5	Select a pattern that you find appealing but would be a challenge or introduces a new technique. In your notebook, write the pattern name and author along with why you'd want to do that pattern. List everything you would need for the quilt including tools and threads. How would you quilt it?
6	Make the quilt that challenges your abilities, perhaps using a new technique you learn like disappearing blocks, applique, paper piecing, embellishment, free motion quilting, or mixed modes like embroidery with patchwork. Complete it with a label!
7	Go on one quilt run in another state or elsewhere in California. Also go on a local quilt run with at least one other quilt member.
8	Volunteer to run for a guild office, take on a committee position, or lead an event/field trip.
9	Take a class to learn a new technique or to make a new project. Show your masterpiece at Sew & Tell.
10	Teach or co-teach one of your skills to guild members. This can be a class, workshop, quick demo, or one-on-one.
11	Sell quilt guild tickets at a quilt run, event, or another guild.
12	Attend 2 different quilt guilds and note what they are doing the same and different than IEQG. If you discover something new and exciting, please share it with us!
13	Attend one IEQG quilt retreat, day or overnight--or a sit and sew. Bring a project to finish. Also attend an outside or commercial quilt retreat/cruise.
14	Work on a project with a friend or fellow guild member.
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