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Let's Get It Straight



Ladder to the Stars

From the Editor

We are all at various stages in our quilt making journey. Some of us are beginners and some are advanced. Most of us are in between. But once the Quilt Bug bites, the journey is ramped up, and we are racing to learn the next technique, buy the newest notion, and have the most fabric in our stash! It's almost like a fever – Quilt Bug causes Quilt Fever!



Don't be alarmed; it's not fatal. In fact, it's the most fun you'll ever have with a fever. You can blame all kinds of things on your Quilt Fever: the never-ending thirst for fabric, whether new or traded; the hunger for just one more quilt book; dying to attend a Quilt Retreat where you'll be able to sew and quilt to your heart's content with other Quilt Fever patients. A Quilt Retreat is kind



Karen Gass

of like a hospital for those with Quilt Fever. The theory being that if you do nothing but quilt for an entire weekend, you'll get it out of your system. However, it usually has the opposite effect and the patient leaves the 'hospital' eager for more quilts. For the more advanced cases, there are week-long retreats, cruise retreats and mountaintop retreats. They don't work either – those patients leave armed with new techniques and knowledge, fast friendships with other patients, and loads of new items to squeeze into their bulging sewing rooms.

So, what should you do if you're bitten by the Quilt Bug and contract Quilt Fever? Just go with it. There is no use fighting it. You won't win;

you'll only be frustrated at the lack of quilting going on in your life. Get out some fabric, start cutting and sewing, and pretty soon that frustration will be replaced by peace and harmony. The world is good again.

Trust me. It's the only way to live with Quilt Fever. I know. I've had it for years and have learned to accept the fact that I will always go out in public with threads hanging from my clothes. I've learned to accept that I can forget to put my shoes on and go to the store wearing my slippers. Those are just pesky side effects and you shouldn't let them worry you. If it starts bothering you, return to the sewing room and start quilting again – you won't care!

Happy Quilting!

Your fellow patient,

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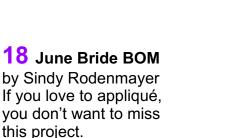
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Our Commitment to Our Readers and to Quality

Here, at *The Quilt Pattern Magazine*, we are committed to bringing you top-quality patterns that you can depend upon. Our designers are required to have completed their original quilts and to have their patterns tested before submitting them to us. Our team of editors (who are all quilters, too!) then format the patterns (retaining national spellings) and send them out for testing again. Our testers follow the directions from beginning to end, making the entire top (not just a few blocks), including multiple sizes when necessary, to ensure that the materials list, directions, illustrations, and templates, are all accurate.

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Definitions of skill levels:

- A beginner must have basic sewing knowledge and have made at least one quilt. We will assume that you know how to use a rotary cutter and can understand and sew with proper seam allowances.
- •• A beginner/intermediate quilter has more than basic quilting skills and the beginning of intermediate skills.
- • An intermediate quilter must have made several quilts in either pieced or appliqué styles.
- •••• An intermediate/advanced quilter has more than intermediate quilting skills and the beginning of advanced skills.

•••• An advanced quilter will have made many complex quilts.

Common abbreviations:

BA: Baltimore Album **BOM:** Block Of The Month

COC: Cream On Cream
EPP: English Paper Piecing
FPA: Freezer Paper Appliqué

FQ: Fat Quarter

HST: Half Square Triangle

LOF: Length Of Fabric

NS: No Steam OG: On Grain

OTB: On The Bias

PWF: PreWashed Fabric

QST: Quarter Square Triangle

RST: Right Sides Together

SST: Side Setting Triangle **UFO:** UnFinished Object

WIP: Works In Progress

WOF: Width Of Fabric (from selvage to selvage)

WOW: White On White

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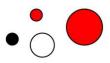
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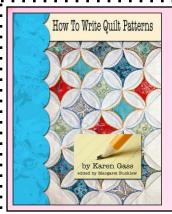


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