



# Jenny Haskins ACADEMY of ACCREDITED QUILTERS

BECOME A LICENSED JENNY HASKINS QUILTING INSTRUCTOR

## Putting It Together

Finally, we can see the end of our amazing quilting adventure, this is the exciting part when it all comes together and then you look at your *Quilt-a-Lot* Academy Quilt and say, ‘Did I really make this?’ So let’s start.....

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Joining the Borders to the Center Medallion



Fold both the top and bottom, *Haskins Floating Piecing* flowers in half, (back on each other) right side of fabric back over the right side of the fabric. Make sure the distance of the 'fold back' (to the raw fabric edge of the blocks) allows room for the presser foot to pass over easily.

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Starting at the center (1 1/2in x 2in rectangle) of the 2in x 25 1/2in top border strip, pin the border (out to each side) to the top of the Center Medallion. Make sure the 1 1/2in x 2in connecting rectangle, in the border, sits exactly in the *Haskins Floating Piecing* gap between the two 12in blocks.

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- When pinning, remember to place the pins horizontal to the vertical seamline.
- When starting to piece a quilt, make sure you have a large clear area on all sides of your machine. If you have a quilting table for your machine, then attach it, as it helps support the outside edge of the quilt. Also make sure there is ample room at the back of your machine to support the quilt bulk as it passes to the back of the machine as you sew.

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- Roll up the outside edge of the Center Medallion and then use pegs/clothes pins to secure the fabric together at each rolled up end.
- Use Latte thread in the needle and bobbin to attach the top and bottom borders to the Center Medallion using the *Jenny Join*.

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- **JENNY'S TIP:** Whenever you are sewing a decorative stitch, make sure that the fabric can pass easily under the foot. Do not hold back, nor pull the fabric through the machine, rather hold the fabric on each side of the foot, guiding it and allowing it to pass under the foot at the machine's programmed speed. These state-of-art embroidery machines are programmed to stitch/move the fabric under the foot in such a way as to form perfect stitching – if we allow them to! The fabric must be held in such a way as there is a little space between it and the bed of the machine on each side of the foot.
- Repeat previous steps to attach the bottom border and then measure the sides of the quilt to make sure they now measure 29 1/2in. Attach the Center Medallion side borders in the same way as the top and bottom borders. The Bordered Center Medallion should now measure 29 1/2in square.

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## Center Medallion



Check to make sure the borders on the Center Medallion are flat and square and then check your measurements – 29 1/2in square Bordered Center Medallion. Press all borders with a steam iron.

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Attaching the Keyboard Cornerstones



The Keyboard Borders measure 7in x 29 1/2in



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Attach a 7in cornerstone, one to each end of the two side borders, 7in x 42 1/2in.

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## Attaching the Keyboard Border



Use the photo of the quilt as a guide to arrange the borders around the Center Medallion, making sure the embroidery in the Center Medallion blocks face the top of the quilt and the marked inside edge of the borders face the center of the quilt.

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## Attaching the Keyboard Border

Attach the borders in the following sequence:

- top boarder (left to right keys 1-8)
- bottom boarder (left to right key No24-17)
- left boarder (top to bottom key No32-25)
- right boarder (top to bottom key No9-16)

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## Finishing

- If necessary square up the quilt.
- From the burgundy polyester crepe backed satin, cut 2 1/2in bias strips, piece on the bias, to measure 190in. Fold the binding in half, wrong sides together and press it – 1 1/4in x 190in.
- Attach the binding to the front of the quilt, raw fabric edges of binding and quilt aligned and parallel; right sides of binding and quilt together. Use the 1/4in patchwork foot with a guide to sew the binding to the outside edge of the quilt, folding and mitering the corners as you sew.
- Press the binding to the back of the quilt and either glue or pin it in place and then use the hand sewing needle and thread to slip stitch the binding in place.

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Finishing



Wow, you have finished your *Quilt-a-Lot* Academy Quilt. Congratulations, you surely are a winner and a true Soaring Eagle!