

Elephant BOM cutting requirements
Colors should be soft and muted – not too bright

Fabric requirements and cutting directions:

Off white for sky background (BG) and sashing

3 strips 2 ½” wide x WOF

Cut:

- 2 @ 6 ½” x 2 ½”
- 3 @ 4 ½” x 2 ½”
- 13 @ 2 ½” squares
- 1 @ 24 ½” x 2 ½”

Cut the last piece after your block is complete to make sure the block measurements are the same.

1 strip 3” x 21

Cut:

- **7 - 3” for half square triangles**

4 strips 1 ½” wide x WOF for sashing –
Cut after your block is complete to make sure the block measurements are the same.

Cut:

- 2 @ 26 ½” x 1 ½”
- 2 @ 22 ½” x 1 ½”

Grey for body

3 strips 2 ½” wide x WOF

Cut:

- 1 @ 14 ½” x 2 ½”
- 4 @ 6 ½” x 2 ½”
- 6 @ 4 ½” x 2 ½”
- 11 @ 2 ½” squares

1 strip 3” x 30”

Cut:

- **10 squares (3”) for half square triangles**

Blue for eye

Cut:

- **1 square (3”) for half square triangle**

Turquoise #1

1 strip 2 ½” x 12 ½”

Cut:

- 5 @ 2 ½” squares

1 strip 3” wide x 15”

Cut:

- **5 squares (3”) for half square triangles**

Turquoise #2 accent

1 strip 3” x 15”

Cut:

- **5 squares (3”) for half square triangles**

Pink or peach for toes

1 strip 3” x 18”

Cut:

- **6 squares (3”) for half square triangles**

Green for grass

1 strip 2 ½” x 34”

Cut:

- 2 @ 2 ½” squares
- 1 @ 4 ½” x 2 ½”
- 1 @ 24 ½” x 2 ½”

Cut the last piece after your block is complete to make sure the block measurements are the same.

1 strip 3” x 6”

Cut:

- **2 squares (3”) for half square triangles**

Construction of 1/2 Square Triangles:

Use the **3" squares** you have cut from all the fabrics. 32 half square triangle units are required in the following combinations.

The 1/2 square triangles will be constructed with the layering technique where you draw a line diagonally across one of the squares in the unit and sew 1/4" on each side of the drawn line. Cut on the drawn line. Press to the dark. Trim to 2 1/2" squares.

Layer the squares as follows:

- eye
 - blue for the eye + BG*
- tusk
 - pink + BG*
- for around body of the elephant
 - 1 - green + body
 - 4 - body + BG**
 - 1 - turquoise #1 + BG*
- toes and ears
 - 1 - green + pink
 - 4 - body + pink
- blanket
 - 4 - turquoise #1 + turquoise #2 accent
 - 1 - body + turquoise #2 accent

* only one 1/2 square triangle unit will be used

** only 7 - 1/2 square triangle unit will be used

Construction of Block:

The layout chart indicates where the half square triangle blocks are set as well as the placement of the 4 1/2", 6 1/2", 14 1/2" and 24 1/2" pieces. The unmarked squares are the 2 1/2" squares. The color chart indicates placement of fabrics.

- Follow the color photo and the layout chart to construct the elephant row 1 through 9.
- Alternate pressing seams in each row. Sew rows together.
- Measure the width of your block at this point.
- Using that measurement, cut the BG piece for the row at the top and the green for the row at the bottom.
- Sew those pieces to the block.
- Measure the height of the block.
- Using that measurement, cut two sashing pieces.
- Sew those pieces to the sides of the block.
- Measure the width of the block.
- Using that measurement, cut two sashing pieces.
- Sew those pieces to the top and bottom of the block.
- Your elephant is complete.