

Serendipity Supply List A Quick-Strip Paper Piecing Workshop Peggy Martin, Instructor

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The Serendipity block is one of the easiest patterns to paper piece using the Quick-Strip Method. Even beginners are able to make this pattern quickly and easily. It also offers many design possibilities, many of which can be viewed on my website (above). Click on workshops, then scroll down to the Serendipity workshop and click on it to see many different setting options. The quilt at left uses 16 individual 6" Serendipity units; and is 34 ½ " x 34 ½ " with suggested borders.

## Supplies:

Note: Sewing machine, irons and ironing boards are provided in class

Neutral-colored thread (usually provided by the sewing machine dealers, but a good idea to bring just in case)

Rotary cutter, mat and ruler

Fabric scissors and paper scissors

Seam ripper and pins

A small paper trash bag for trimmings

*Fabrics*: 100% cotton recommended. Prewash (optional) and spray starch fabric before cutting strips. The spray starch helps to stabilize the grain to help prevent stretching. There are many ways to color these blocks; the background areas and colors below are just one suggestion.

Yardage and strip requirements below are for 16 pattern units (four 12" blocks). The numbers of the areas below correspond to the picture of the Serendipity 6" unit shown below at right.

All strips are cut from selvage to selvage (about 40" long)

NOTE: You will begin working on one 12" block during class (4 pattern units). Cut ONE strip of fabric for each area (below) to be ready to sew in class, and bring along enough extra fabric to cut at least one more strip in case it is needed for each area. You do not need to bring the border, binding or backing fabrics to class.

Background (areas 3, 5, 6, 8): 1 yard

Cut into: 7 strips 2 1/2" for areas 3 and 6 6 strips 1 3/4" for areas 5 and 8

Color 1 (area 1): 3/8 yard

Cut into: 4 strips 2 1/4" for area 1

Color 2 (area 2): 3/8 yard

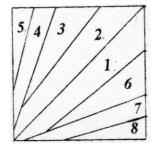
Cut into: 4 strips 2 1/4" for area 2

Color 3 (area 4): 3/8 yard

Cut into: 4 strips 1 3/4" for area 4

Color 4: (area 7): 3/8 yard

Cut into: 4 strips 1 3/4" for area 7



Serendipity 6" unit

Suggested borders (as shown in above 4-block quilt)

Accent border, cut 4 strips 1 3/4"
Wide border, cut 4 strips 4 1/2"

Binding:
3/8 yard

Backing:
1 1/8 yard