# How to Make a Stunning Medallion Quilt: A Step-by-Step Guide for Beginners

A medallion quilt is a stunning and eye-catching quilt that can add a touch of elegance to any home. It features a central medallion surrounded by multiple borders, each with its own unique design. While it may seem like a complex project, it's actually quite simple to make, even for beginners.



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In this guide, we'll take you through every step of the process, from selecting fabrics to quilting the finished product. So grab your sewing machine and let's get started!

### **Step 1: Select Your Fabrics**

The first step in making a medallion quilt is to select your fabrics. You'll need a variety of fabrics in different colors and patterns to create a visually interesting quilt. Here are a few tips for selecting fabrics:

- Choose fabrics that coordinate well together. You want the colors and patterns to flow smoothly from one border to the next.
- Consider the size of the medallion when selecting fabrics. The fabrics you use for the medallion should be large enough to create a bold statement.
- Don't be afraid to experiment with different fabrics. You can use batiks, solids, prints, or even textured fabrics to create a unique look.

#### Step 2: Create the Medallion

Once you have selected your fabrics, it's time to create the medallion. The medallion is the central focal point of the quilt, so it's important to make it eye-catching.

There are many different ways to create a medallion. You can use a template, a quilt block pattern, or even freehand it. If you're using a template, simply trace the template onto your fabric and cut it out. If you're using a quilt block pattern, follow the instructions to sew the blocks together to create the medallion.

If you're freehanding it, start by drawing a circle on your fabric. Then, add details to the circle to create a unique design. You can use fabric markers, paint, or even embroidery to embellish the medallion.

#### Step 3: Create the Borders

Once you have created the medallion, it's time to create the borders. The borders will frame the medallion and add additional interest to the quilt. You can create as many borders as you like, but the most common number of borders is three. To create a border, simply cut strips of fabric to the desired width. Then, sew the strips together to create a long strip of fabric. Once you have created all of the strips, sew them around the medallion, starting with the innermost border and working your way out.

## Step 4: Quilt the Medallion Quilt

Once you have created the medallion and borders, it's time to quilt the quilt. Quilting is the process of stitching through all three layers of the quilt (the top, batting, and backing) to hold them together. There are many different ways to quilt a quilt, but the most common method is straight-line quilting. To straight-line quilt, simply stitch straight lines across the quilt, spaced evenly apart.

You can also use more decorative quilting stitches to add interest to the quilt. Some popular decorative quilting stitches include:

- Meandering
- Echoing
- Feathers
- Swirls

## Step 5: Bind the Medallion Quilt

Once you have quilted the quilt, it's time to bind it. Binding is the process of sewing a strip of fabric around the edge of the quilt to finish it off. Binding helps to protect the quilt from fraying and gives it a polished look.

To bind a quilt, simply cut strips of fabric to the desired width. Then, sew the strips together to create a long strip of fabric. Fold the strip of fabric in half lengthwise and press it. Then, open the strip of fabric and place it around the edge of the quilt, folding it over the raw edges of the quilt. Stitch the binding to the quilt, making sure to catch all three layers.

Congratulations! You've now completed your medallion quilt. With a little time and effort, you can create a beautiful and unique quilt that will be treasured for years to come.

If you have any questions or need additional help, please feel free to leave a comment below. We're always happy to help!



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