



Optical Illusion

Instructor: Catherine Gentile

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Time: 10:00-4:00

Start using up that stash! Or make it easy and order both a light and dark Bali Poppy = a 20 strip pack. We need eighteen 2 ½" strips, less than half a jelly roll, of light and eighteen strips of dark make the glorious center. As shown in the photo, the finished square is 52" without a border. Use the remainder of the rolls or more from your stash to make a terrific border. Learn how to create the arced template to square off the circle – a template I created will be provided for you. Amazingly fast. This quilt took me one day to make and I was figuring it out from a tiny picture. Love this pattern.

In class: We will make our strip sets and cut the wedges for the quilt. Then we will assemble one quadrant complete with the background arc. There is an open sew the next day. Let's come back and finish the entire top.

Fabric supply list:

- Eighteen 2 ½" strips of lights
- Eighteen 2 ½" strips of darks
- Background = ½ yard of 108" wide back **OR** 1 and 5/8ths yard of 40" wide.
 - This amount of background provides a 1" margin of light at the widest point of the circle.
 - For a 4" margin, you will need to lengthen the arc template. Requiring 7/8th yard of wide back **OR** 1 ¾ yds of 40" wide fabric.

Supply list of Notions:

- 15 Degree 24" ruler by Creative Grids CGREU1
- ¼" sewing foot with guide makes the seam allowances fool proof
- ¼" sewing foot without guide for assembling the arcs
- #11 or #12 quilting or universal machine needle
- Rotary cutter and 12" x 6" ruler and largest mat you have
- Thread for construction –
 - I prefer Aurifil #50 because it is thin and makes less bulk in the seams
- Thread snips
- Standard sewing/quilting gear
- Sewing machine in good working order, power cord and foot control
- Single needle throat plate if available