

# Orphan Blocks and Leftovers

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The purpose of this fun class is to put together leftovers and spare parts of abandoned projects into a useable one-of-a-kind quilt that may (or may not- ☺ ) be a thing of beauty, but will give you a sense of satisfaction and reflect your personality!

The size of your finished quilt will be dictated by the number of large and small blocks and other leftover bits you bring. You will be making and adding pieces to unify it in class, learning new techniques and about colour and design ideas (principles) along the way.

## Supply List

- From 2 to 4 large blocks (12" to 15" finished size)
- Plus 4-8 smaller blocks (these don't need to be the same size) about 6" to 8" finished
- Plus leftover units like half-square triangles, 4-patch or 9-patch, or flying geese or checkerboards or even fabric squares

*NOTE: - Bring any combination of the above listed or any leftover pieces and/or blocks- they don't have to be exactly as listed.*

- Fabrics to go with the above (**see note below for help in choosing fabrics**)
- Design wall (flannel or cotton-type batting to be pinned to the wall so you can work on a vertical surface)
- Digital camera (optional but helpful)
- Reducing glass or "doorway peephole" (available at hardware store)
- Sewing machine
- Sewing supplies- threads, bobbins, pins, seam ripper, scissors, tape measure
- Rotary cutter, mat and rulers- 6" square, 12" x 24" long ruler, and 12" or 15" square
- 3 to 5 "zip-lock" type bags to keep spare parts in
- Paper and pencil
- Graph paper may also be helpful

This quilt becomes a unique sampler/memory quilt. Collect possible blocks and leftover pieces/projects with common colours. They don't have to match exactly- it's better if they don't! Consider the mood or theme. Do you have a pastel or country collection? Is it batiks or hand dyed?

Choose fabrics/colours with your theme in mind and make sure you have a range of values in your chosen colours (**lights, mediums and darks- at least 3-4 of each**).

The more fabrics you bring- the more options you will have for choices. You only need ½ meter or fat quarter pieces of each one- you will not need to have very large amounts of one fabric.