

## Clam Shell

Level of Experience: Beginner to Advanced

Approximate Finished Size: 55 x 70  
11 blocks wide by 14 long

Sewing curves has never been so much fun!  
No worries if you've not a fan OR if you prefer straight seams, you will leave as a master of curves! Come ready to experiment and learn new exciting piecing techniques to create your own Clam Shell quilt! I encourage you to check out the fabric requirements and bring along extra 6" squares of colors you love. Quarter arc blocks are used to make your blocks - then the fun begins by building them into clam shell blocks. I use my Circle Savvy Ruler to cut arcs, however a template is provided in the pattern.



**Fabric Tips:** Fabric that appears as a solid from a distance will work well for the clam shell blocks. Choose a variety of high contrast colors for the blocks. You can purchase yardage or build your quilt "by the block", see fabric requirements below.

### Supplies

Pattern: Clam Shell by Karla Alexander  
Sewing Machine in good working order  
Basic rotary cutting and sewing supplies  
Square Ruler, 6" x 6" or larger  
OPTIONAL: 2 yards flannel for design wall  
\* OPTIONAL: Circle Savvy Ruler by Creative Grids  
\* If you don't have the Circle Savvy Ruler, you will need to bring 1 yard of freezer wrap paper for templates.

### Fabric

Yardage for the Blocks:  
3/8 yard each of up to 13 different prints  
-OR By the Piece  
A variety of 154 squares, 6" x 6" each  
3 1/2 yards fabric for the backing  
1/2 yard fabric for binding

### PLEASE PRE-CUT FABRIC FOR BLOCKS PRIOR TO CLASS

Cut a variety of squares, 6" x 6" from each color group. The remaining squares can be cut in class.

You are welcome to view the finished quilt on my web site at [www.saginawstreetquilts.com](http://www.saginawstreetquilts.com) or email me with any questions at [karlaalexander@mac.com](mailto:karlaalexander@mac.com). My books, patterns and specialty rulers are all available on my web site.