

## About Inklingo Espionage and Intelligence

The COTSIM mystery is designed to take the mystery out of Inklingo. If Sherlock Holmes was on the case, he would find what he needed to know online.

Monkey brought his magnifying glass but there is nothing clandestine about Inklingo. We Googled espionage. Espionage or spying involves an individual obtaining information considered secret or confidential without the permission of the holder of the information. Espionage is secretive. Inklingo is just the opposite. We want to make it easy for you to find what you want!

We have done our best to make everything obvious, not secretive, but there is so much great info on the website and the blog that it can be overwhelming. Detectives should make these observations:

1. The online trail is a menu bar across the top of the website. Monkey says if we ever need to bury a secret, we should put it under the Support \& Goodies tab because we have deduced that many quilters don't look over there. Sherlock would.
2. A keen eye will notice that there are "search boxes" on the website and the blog. Intriguing?
3. This clue lays a trail of hints and suggestions for you to follow and you need clickable green text, not a magnifier.

When you finish this clue we hope you will know your way around the Inklingo website, the blog, Yahoo, Facebook, Pinterest and YouTube almost as well as the Baker Street Irregulars knew the cobbled streets and dark alleys of Sherlock Holmes' London.

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## Love the lines! Quilt more!

There are good clues on this page. Sherlock would make a few deductions.

Are you ready for more printing and sewing?
Summary of the objectives to chase down this week:

1. Print white, green and gold fabric as shown on the next pages. There is more printing and cutting in the next clue, so keep the rest of your white and gold fabrics where you can find them, okay?
2. Sew 32 green $\&$ white triangle units (above) and 8 blue $\&$ white triangle units (above) following the instructions in Clue \#1 (page 16). Sew by hand or by machine or a little of both.
3. Sew 4 blocks and 4 partial blocks as shown on the following pages.
4. Catch up on printing and cutting from previous clues, if necessary.
5. Explore the archives of the All About Inklingo blog and the articles under the Support \& Goodies tab. Go deep!


## Important!

Use this chart with the Key West Beauty 6 inch shape collection and the layout diagrams on the following pages.


$\angle A N D S C A P E$ If you print Portrait instead of Landscape, you will only get 30 Small Triangles instead of 32, so be careful! We always load the FP/fabric into the printer the same way but when we choose Landscape in the Print Dialog Box, the software rotates the image for us. Magic!

## CHOICE OF LAYOUTS

There are 3 other layouts for Diamonds and Kites, so you have a choice. If you are using scraps, stripes, or directional fabric, or if you will be using scissors, one of the other layouts might be better.


White "Salt" Fabric

$7.25 \times 12.5$
Portrait

$8.5 \times 10.75$
Landscape


See the notes for printing and cutting in Clue \# 1.
The diagram shows the layout which makes the best use of the fabric, as described in Monkey's Cheat Sheet on the previous page.

For Clue \# 3, print the shapes outlined by the red box. The shapes above the red box were printed in previous clues and the rest of the fabric will be printed in future clues.

## BLOG OR WEBSITE?

Do you know how to get from the blog to the website and from the website to the blog with one click? You can.
It is important to know whether you are on the blog or the website. The blog is updated frequently with lessons and there are tabs for tutorials and EQ project files. The website has the Shop and the Support \& Goodies tab. Both the blog and the website have search boxes.


Blue "Sea of Sky" Fabric


See the Top Ten Tutes on the All About Inklingo blog for printing on dark fabric.

Green "Palm Tree" Fabric

$7.25 \times 11.25$
Portrait


Gold "Tequila" Fabric


$6.5 \times 7.5$ Landscape



From the front


From the back

## LET'S SEW

This block is "almost" Key West Beauty but it has one shot of Tequila in a corner. That's 4 shots of Tequila altogether but a good detective will stay sober. Iced tea might be a better choice.


Follow the instructions for assembling the blocks by hand or by machine using the one-page guides in the Key West Beauty shape collection (pages 10-11).

As usual, I stay organized by laying out all of the pieces wrong side up on the sewing surface or beside the machine.

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If you have fussy cut sets of 5 identical diamonds, use 4 identical pink units in each block and set aside one of the pink diamond/ triangle units to be used elsewhere in the quilt.


From the front


From the back


How will we fill in the corners? It's a mystery.

## PARTIAL BLOCKS!

This partial block uses pine boughs or palm fronds for another variation of Key West Beauty. The versatility of these shapes is very mysterious.

Follow the instructions for assembling the blocks by band or by machine using the one-page guides in the Key West Beauty shape collection (pages 10-11). Three corners will be added later.

As usual, I stay organized by laying all of the pieces out wrong side up on the sewing surface or beside the machine.

$6.5 \times 6.5$
You can be sure everything will fit together whether you sew by hand or by machine or combine both in one block for a hybrid.

When every patch is exactly the right size with correct straight grain and precision corners, the results are perfect. The map above is exactly the size of your unfinished COTSIM blocks. This is Key West, not London, so there is no 221B Baker Street but the map is the key to knowing that your scant 0.25 inch seam allowances are correct.

That should be enough sleuthing to keep you busy until Clue \#4 is revealed. There are still some twists and turns to come.

We love it if you share photos and progress reports on your blog or the Inklingo Facebook page! Be sure to let me know if you have questions too.

