

The Case of the Diamond *Necklace*

COTDN



Welcome to the 3rd Inklingo Mystery Quilt!

Monkey and I had a great time planning this mystery quilt for you. We have made the clues as clear as possible without giving away the surprise at the end. We want you to have a lovely Aha! Moment when you see the last few clues.

The Perfect Size - 24 x 28 inches

Monkey says this pretty mystery quilt is the perfect size to hide a wall safe full of diamonds. If your wall safe is adequately camouflaged with a Renoir (page 3) or the portrait of a distinguished ancestor, the quilt can be used as a table topper or pillow cover instead. You could also use it as a medallion or add additional rows to make it larger.

If you think you want to make a bigger quilt, you might want to wait until the end, so you can start with the right yardage. You will be on your own if you want to change the size, but **Inklingo** makes it easy to see how much fabric you need, so you can do it.

The clues are all simple enough for an **Inklingo** beginner but we think there is something special for longtime Inklingoists too. Even if you are not doing the printing and sewing for the mystery, the tips in the clues will give you confidence with any Inklingo project.

Case File Notes

One of the benefits of the Case of the Diamond Necklace is that it takes the mystery out of the many resources on **inklingo.com** and the blog. We have lots of leads and hot tips for you. (Green text is clickable when you view the clues on the computer.)

requirements



- Inkjet printer
- freezer paper (FP for short)
- rotary cutter, 2 rulers and a cutting mat (or scissors)
- needles & thread for hand piecing or a sewing machine
- scissors
- iron and ironing surface
- **Inklingo 60° Diamond 1.75 inch Shape Collection**
- **Inklingo Diamond/Triangles/Square Shape Collection** (free)
- diamond necklace (optional)

If COTDN will be your first time printing on fabric, you can give yourself a head start by reviewing the first chapter of the handbook and learning **how to print Custom Page Sizes** with your printer.

Printing **Custom Page Sizes** is important because it allows us to use the fabric efficiently—often more efficiently than traditional methods and templates. Please review the detailed instructions for printing your first Custom Page Size under the Support & Goodies tab at inklingo.com.

Almost all Inkjet printers have software with the ability to print Custom Page Sizes. You can read about it **in the FAQ on inklingo.com**.

It is a great idea to practice on scrap paper first, and it is a nifty way to “label” your freezer paper too, as described on page H41 of the free shape collection for **Diamond/Triangles/Square**.

The **Inklingo Yahoo Group** is a friendly place. Your question might help someone who is too shy to ask. Clues will be posted on the **All About Inklingo blog** and you can share your progress with other Inklingo quilters.

Monkey says there are at least two hot leads on this page. A good detective follows up.

Some quilters might like to cover their wall safe full of diamonds with a Renoir until the solution to the Case of the Diamond Necklace is revealed.

clues



The COTDN mystery uses a small amount of fabric to teach some big Inklingo concepts and we think the you will love the design!

The COTDN is fabulous without fussy cutting but there are opportunities for No Waste Fussy Cutting AND traditional fussy cutting. The fabric requirements are in the next clue.

The clues also include instructions for

- choosing 4 fabrics
- using Monkey's Cheat Sheet
- using suggested custom page sizes, portrait or landscape
- "continuous stitching" by hand and chain piecing by machine
- pressing
- alternate designs
- printing on dark fabric
- printing on tiny scraps
- a few bonus tricks with freezer paper
- and more!

The mystery quilt is for anyone who wants to learn how to use Inklingo, whether you sew by hand or by machine.

While you are waiting for the first clue, you might want to find a diamond necklace to wear while you sew. I found my bling on sale for only \$7.50 US.



I also recommend watching two feature films.

To Catch a Thief (1954) Directed by Alfred Hitchcock. Starring Cary Grant & Grace Kelly

Print on Fabric with Inkingo (2016) Directed by Monkey. Starring Monkey

(Continue the investigation on the [Main Beginner's Page](#) on the website.)

