

DON'T FORGET THE LABEL WITH LAURA HARTRICH

Laura's top three labeling techniques:

- Fabric Pen
- Embroidery
- Digital Printing

What might you include on your label?

- You can include a lot or a little, it's up to you! Some ideas: Name, year, location, recipient + occasion if it's a gift, title if applicable, longarmer, pattern, information about concept/design/inspiration.
- When/how to attach your label?
- You have many options! Adding your label can happen at many different points in the process. Piece it into the back if you've planned ahead. Stitch it into a corner when you attach your binding. Applique it on, either before or after quilting. You can even write or embroider directly onto the back after the quilt is completely finished. It's never too early to start planning your label, and it's never too late to add a one.
- Digital printing: You will need a file to upload to the fabric printing service (such as Spoonflower). There are a few ways to create a file: You can create it yourself using software. You can hire a graphic designer to help you, or enlist a friend with graphic design skills. Or you could create an image on paper and then scan it to create your image file.
- Laura's Quilt Label Thought Experiment: *Imagine a quilt historian in the future stumbles upon your quilt. What would you want them to know about it? Include all of that on your label!*

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