

Labels On Your Quilts

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**** Any quilt or wall hanging that you make deserves a label ****
It is important to tell the story of a quilt for future generations.

The label should contain at least the following information:

your name
machine quilters name
date quilt was complete
state that you live in

Other information to add to the label:

person or group it is made for
purpose or occasion quilt was made for
title of piece
type of quilt or special techniques used
a poem or verse
hours to complete
of pieces or fabrics in the quilt
fabric manufacturer or line of fabric used in quilt
batting brand and fiber content
any other pertinent information that would be of historic value

There are many ways to make labels:

- *Purchase printed labels at your local quilt store along with a Pigma pen
- * Simply write on the back of your quilt with Pigma pens (acid free for fabric)
- * Use an extra block from the front of your quilt-
 - Press under edges and hand sew to back of quilt
 - Write in the background or center of the block
- * Write on a light piece of fabric and fuse it to the quilt back
 - Recommended for wall hangings only
- * Write on a piece of fabric and appliqué it to the back of the quilt
- *Hand cross stitch your label design
- * Make a label on your computer-
 - use pre-treated computer fabric sheets or
 - bring it to a copy center that does T-shirt transfers
- * Use your fancy stitches on your sewing machine to embroider a patch or hand embroider one
- * You can convey the feeling of the front of the quilt into the label- for instance if you have appliquéd flowers on the quilt put one on the label also. If you have embroidered snowflakes on the front of the quilt, embroider some on the label also.

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