

Oakshottfabrics



Quick Makes with Oakshott 8ths

Inspirational designs using the Colourshott Fat Eighths Mini Packs

When it's just not the moment to tackle a big project, or you can't decide what fabrics to select, or you are looking for a quick project a whole group can make, then here is a solution for those creative itches.

About this booklet

Just to help you that little bit further along the making road our great friend and designer, **Lynne Goldsworthy of Lily's Quilts** (lilysquilts.blogspot.co.uk) teamed up with some wonderfully talented quilter/bloggers in a blog hop, which resulted in eight stunning FREE designs.

We've drawn together the story behind the designs and designers, all fully illustrated so each colour can work its magic on you and there is a list of materials required. The design patterns are all available on the designers' own websites, for which we give you the link

About the fabric and the packs

Oakshott Fabrics offer you the Colourshott Fat Eighths Mini Packs.

Each tempting bundle contains a special selection of eight colours from the 57-shade Colourshott collection and each colourway contains a highlight colour combined with complementary and contrasting shades in beautiful harmony. The names alone are enough to make you drool: **Brighton Rock, Derwent, Freesia, Metro, New Forest, Orchid, Rio and Spice.**

Each fabric selection shares the trademark Oakshott colour intensity and 'shot' effect, created by combining different warp and weft hues. They work together, they shimmer and shine. As 100% mercerised shot cottons, they're suitable for all quilting and general sewing projects.

Each F8th piece measures 9.8" x 27" (25 cm x 69 cm), so you'll be amazed at the amount of fabric in each pack. Well, they have come off the generous 54" Colourshott bolts.

Each pack can be bought online from www.oakshottfabrics.com or call +44 (0)1452 371 571



Brighton Rock Mini Pack

Roses table runner and six coasters designed by Sonia of Fabric and Flowers



Says Sonia:



"It was so lovely to be asked to be a part of this and after some rapid response emails with Lynne and the other blog-hoppers (seriously, it was the email equivalent of pointy elbows at a fabric sale!), I was sent a Brighton Rock Fat Eighths bundle.

Now, I confess that I'm not really a pink girl, but it's very hard to resist Oakshott in any colour and these are just gorgeous. I think it's the way they shimmer and shine depending on how the light catches them. This combination instantly reminded me of roses and I just couldn't get the idea out of my head, so I ran with it!

This table set will give you one runner and six coasters. They are made up of hexagons that are built up like log-cabins with the different colours used to suggest the varying shades that you get in a rose bud."

Technical stuff:

Finished size of table runner: 12.5" x 50" (31.8 cm x 127 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Brighton Rock Fat Eighths Mini Pack (COTXF8P01)
- 1 yd (92 cm) backing fabric
- ½ yd (45 cm) wadding
- ¼ yd (23 cm) binding fabric

Download the tutorial from:

<http://fabricandflowersuk.blogspot.co.uk/2014/07/oakshott-colourshott-bloghop.html>



Call the Oakshott Fabrics shop on +44 (0)1452 371 571

Derwent Mini Pack

Trellis table runner designed by Nicky of Mrs Sew and Sow



Says Nicky:



"I am delighted to be able to join in this event as Oakshott really are among my favourite fabrics! I love the colours, the sheen, their feel and the way they quilt. But this pattern makes use of the ability to use both sides of the woven fabric to make mirror blocks.

I chose the lovely mix of blues and greens in the Derwent Fat Eighths bundle. While thinking of inspiration my garden came to the rescue. It's full of greens and blues of different shades.

I designed this pattern as a table runner with the dark blue fabric creating a lattice 'sashing'. It makes me think of looking at the garden through a trellis so that's what I'm calling my pattern."

Technical stuff:

Finished size of table runner: 20" x 50" (51 cm x 127 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Derwent Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P02
- 24" x 54" wadding
- 26" x 56" backing fabric
- 150" x 1.5" single fold binding

Download the tutorial from:

<http://mrssewandsow.blogspot.pt/2014/07/oakshott-colourshott-bloghop.html>



Buy your fabrics online from www.oakshottfabrics.com

Freesia Mini Pack

Reflections mini quilt designed by Charlotte of Displacement Activity



Says Charlotte:



"I can accept no responsibility for any drool-related computer damage! My love of Oakshott fabrics is not exactly a secret. They've featured in many of my quilts and had a starring role in several - most notably the Oakshott Explosion. That's why I was so excited to call dibs on the beautiful purple and green Freesia pack in the Oakshott Colourshott Bundle Blog Hop hosted by Lynne.

Photographs don't do these fabrics justice - it's impossible to appreciate just how much they glow and shimmer unless you see them in person. I spent absolutely ages putting them in different orders, pairing them up and generally stroking them and can absolutely and confidently assert that they are at least five gazillion times more gorgeous in real life.

In order to show the colours off properly, I decided to make two sizes of improv triangles on a background of Colourshott Camargue - a lovely, warm off-white. Improv triangles are quick and easy and so much fun to sew."

Technical stuff:

Finished size of the mini quilt: 15" x 17" (38 cm x 43 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Freesia Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P03
- 16" x 18" (40 cm x 45 cm) background fabric (Charlotte used Colourshott Camargue COTX57)
- Aurifil 50wt, 2021

Download the tutorial from:

<http://www.displacementactivity.com/2014/07/reflections-oakshott-mini-quilt.html>



Call the Oakshott Fabrics shop on +44 (0)1452 371 571

Metro Mini Pack

City Walk quilt designed by Helen of Archie the Wonder Dog



Says Helen:



"Lynne asked if I'd be interested in making a project with one of Oakshott's new Colourshott Fat Eighths Mini Packs. After pondering whether I could manage to make the project and write the tutorial within the time frame (deadlines and pacing don't necessarily go together!), I said yes and I'm so glad I did!"

I missed all the pointy elbow emails that came as a result of us calling dibs on our chosen bundles, so I was left with the 'mystery' pack which was revealed to be 'neutrals'. Not my usual stomping ground but I decided to accept the challenge. Again, I'm glad I did as this gorgeous Metro bundle arrived.

I decided to make use of the fact that the bundle contains two similar fat eighths (off-white) and create a project which required background fabric, as well as one which took advantage of the differing values in the greys and creams. Most (all?) of my projects involve traditional blocks and this one is no exception. I chose to use the traditional Walking Triangles block to create my 'something'."

Technical stuff:

Finished quilt size: approx. 20" x 20" (51 cm x 51 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Metro Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P04
- 22" x 22" wadding
- 20" x 20" fusible fleece

Download the tutorial from:

<http://archiethewonderdog.blogspot.co.uk/2014/07/city-walk-oakshott-metro-project.html>



Buy your fabrics online from www.oakshottfabrics.com

New Forest Mini Pack

That Lock Gate wall hanging designed by SusanClaire of Gourmet Quilter



Says SusanClaire:



"I hope you are enjoying the blog hop featuring the delicious Oakshott fabrics. There are some wonderful ideas for putting the bundles to good use!"

And now it's my turn to show you what I have done. As you may know, my husband and I are enjoying living on a canal boat in the UK. It has been very interesting and a huge amount of fun. So I have made a small wall hanging inspired by the canal lock gates, which come in a variety of styles but are all amazingly heavy. After operating approximately 50 of these over a three-day period recently, they were very topical!

There is also a video tutorial for this wall-hanging, in two parts. There's plenty of fabric for this design because the fabrics are extra wide."

Technical stuff:

Finished size: 15" x 18" (38 cm x 46cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott New Forest Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P05
- 17" x 20" (43 cm x 51 cm) backing fabric
- 17" x 20" (43 cm x 51 cm) batting
- 1/3 yd (30 cm) fusible web with paper backing
- Fine wire (florist or craft wire)

Download the tutorial from:

<http://gourmetquilterblog.wordpress.com/2014/07/04/blog-hop/>



Call the Oakshott Fabrics shop on +44 (0)1452 371 571

Orchid Mini Pack

Folded Patchwork quilt designed by Jo Avery of myBearpaw



Says Jo:



"The kind people at Oakshott Fabrics sent me this heavenly purple palette of Fat Eighths called Orchid. There are eight fabulous colourways in Oakshott's trademark iridescent shot cottons. I was inspired immediately.

Back in my 'First Age of Quilting', there was a craze for Japanese Folded Patchwork and though I never tried it, I always planned to. Fast forward and a couple of years ago I was on the lookout for subjects and techniques to teach. I searched for Japanese Folded Patchwork but found nothing resembling what I remembered. Everything had a curved folded edge, making it look too much like Cathedral Window. Stumped, I put the idea on the back burner ... until I saw the Orchid bundle. I knew right away that I had to try Folded Patchwork and I made up my own version of the technique. So I'm not calling it Japanese anymore - this is my version! Folded Patchwork is lots of 'tiny quilts' sewn together to make a larger quilt. I've made a mini quilt here but it may grow...!"

Technical stuff:

Finished size: 22" x 22" (56 cm x 56 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Orchid Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P06
- enough wadding/batting for 16 x 5½" (14 cm) squares
- matching cotton thread
- Perle cotton number 8 in a few co-ordinating colours

Download the tutorial from

<http://www.mybearpaw.com/2014/06/folded-patchwork-tutorial.html>



Buy your fabrics online from www.oakshottfabrics.com

Rio Mini Pack

Misplaced Steps pillow designed by Kerry Green of Very Kerry Berry



Says Kerry:



“Lynne contacted a few UK bloggers with an Oakshott Colourshott challenge a few weeks back. The first hurdle was to call dibs on your colour way of choice: imagine a virtual jumble sale of pointy elbow emails as we each frantically emailed back to Lynne with our selection whilst going to work, dropping off children etc. I chose Rio, a blues/orange Fat Eighths pack.

We each needed to devise a pattern to be shared on our blogs and could also be used as part of the pack so that you could buy the bundle and have an item in mind to make. I wanted something with strips and I am a Courthouse Steps fan, so this is what I came up with – the 'Misplaced Steps' square pillow cover.”

Technical stuff:

Finished Size: 20¼” x 20¼” (51 cm x 51 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Rio Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P07
- 0.5 metre backing (Kerry used Colourshott COTX53 Baja Blue for pillow envelope back)
- batting/wadding or fusible fleece: 22” x 22” (56 cm x 56 cm) for pillow front;
2 x 16” x 22” (40.5 cm x 56 cm) for pillow envelope back
- 1 x pillow pad 20” (51 cm) square, or 22” (56 cm) square for fuller pillow

Download the tutorial from:

<http://verykerryberry.blogspot.co.uk/2014/07/misplaced-steps-square-pillow-oakshott.html>



Call the Oakshott Fabrics shop on +44 (0)1452 371 571

Spice Mini Pack

Sunset quilt designed by Trudi of Trudi-Quilting Prolifically



Says Trudi:



"I was so excited to be given the opportunity to take part in the Oakshott Colourshott Bundle Blog Hop hosted by Lynne of Lillys Quilts! I drew the 'Spice' bundle...

And immediately thought of sunset and had to start drafting my idea whilst I was still at the day job. So all my calculations have been noted on a scrap of paper.

Everyone gets a little intimidated by trimming those Half Square Triangles, so what if there was a way to make eight accurate HSTs in one go, no trimming required?

Well there is, as you'll see...

So go on - layer up, baste and quilt as desired! (I love that statement.) And to finish it off, I just couldn't resist a little feather thrown in to reflect the movement in the clouds of my Sunset."

Technical stuff:

Finished size: 32" x 32" (81 cm x 81 cm)

You will need:

- 1 x Colourshott Spice Fat Eighths Mini Pack COTXF8P08
- rotary cutter and board

Download the tutorial from:

<http://trudi-quiltingprolifically.blogspot.co.uk/2014/07/half-square-triangle-heaven.html>



Buy your fabrics online from www.oakshottfabrics.com