



# *Quaker Haven Quilt Camp's* *Charm Fabric Exchange* *September 2023 Edition*

## **Camping Blocks**

Every quilter **who wishes to participate** in the *September 2023 Charm Fabric Exchange* is asked to come to camp with a 5-inch square of the same **Camping** fabric for everyone else. **This is an optional activity**, but we hope you'll want to participate in our *charm exchange*. Again, the final number of charms we receive in our *QHQC charm packs* will be determined by the number of quilters at Quilt Camp and any subsequent trades you work out with others at camp with any extra charms you may have after the exchange.

How much yardage will you need to purchase for this exchange? A yard should provide all the charms you'd need -- at least 48 charms.

The rules are as follows:

1. 100% cotton fabric is a **MUST!**
2. The theme of this exchange is **Camping**, so your fabric needs to fit into that theme, whether it's a design or a solid color it needs to *say* **Camping**.
3. **YOU** cut your own fabric into **5 inch squares**.
4. Provide enough precut charm pieces so everyone at camp could receive **ONE** piece of your fabric – any extra squares will be returned to you and can be used during our *trade time*.
5. Place your precut fabric charms in a zip lock bag that has your name on it. So, if 31 quilters register for Quilt Camp and participate in the exchange – your baggie should contain **at least** 31 identical 5-inch squares of **Camping** fabric.
6. Place your Ziploc bag of charms into the appropriately marked shopping bag once at camp.
7. Be prepared to receive a **Camping** charm pack where the only thing some charms might have in common with each other is their **Camping** theme, but oh, the *scrappy* possibilities!!!

After this year we will not repeat any type that has already been done until we have exhausted all other possibilities. Also, we will go back to simply drawing one suggestion from the bag instead of seeing which suggestion has the most votes.

What are some possible fabric themes we could have in future exchanges? What would you like to see as the next theme? . . . Solids, one color family, geometric prints, florals, vegetables, fruit, polka dot, Civil War, 1930s, etc. – the possibilities are endless.

We'll do a new drawing for our April 2024 exchange and exclude the 13 we've already done: *Fall/Autumn*, *Red/White/Blue/Patriotic*, *Tone on Tone*, *Pastels*, *Polka Dots*, *Batiks*, *Batiks/Signature*, *Plaids/Signature*, *Purple*, *Christmas*, *Baby*, *Fruit*, *Winter* fabrics from the drawing.