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Certified Instructor: Ginny Radloff

“Just wanted you to know that in November I took a class with Ginny Radloff and what a wonderful experience it was. Several years while in Tuscon visiting my brother, I visited a local quilt shop that had your Desert Sky on display. The colors and pattern were very different than what I usually work on here in the East but I felt it would be perfect in his house. But they assured it was easy and put together a kit for me. Unfortunately, when I got home I was afraid to make it and so it sat in my to do pile for several years. Your methods were different from what I was used to and I didn't quite understand things. Then one of my local shops had Ginny teaching the Celebration tree skirt/table topper so I thought that I might pick up the things I needed to do Desert Sky.

Ginny is a very skilled teacher. The class was small but very diverse in skill levels. Ginny was able to balance our needs. All of a sudden all the things I had had questions about, made perfect sense and were much easier than I had thought. So I easily made progress. She gave us the attention we needed so that the more skilled people weren't left doing nothing while the beginners got extra help. The beginners got the encouragement they needed. If a mistake was made, we were not judged or made to feel stupid. She had lots of tips and tricks that are applicable to the other types of projects I do. She was very responsive via email between the two classes when I had questions. I did complete the project before Christmas and impressed a number of friends with my work and used it under a small tree.

I have now almost completed Desert Sky and am equally pleased with this too. I would gladly take another class with Ginny again even though I understand your patterns now.

I am normally a hand quilter and while I have tried machine quilting and have had several pieces professionally machine quilted, I have not been happy with the results. Normally I would find the curves shapes of Celebration challenging for me. But Ginny's sample had feathers which I love and I asked who had done the quilting. And it was her own work. So after the holidays, I sent it to her and just received it back. There is only one word for it - breathtaking. I am not sure that I like my piecing or her quilting more and think they enhance each other.”