

Definition of a Modern Quilt

Modern quilts are primarily functional and inspired by modern design.

Characteristics that identify a modern quilt.

- Use of bold colors and prints
- High contrast and graphic areas of solid color
- Improvisational piecing
- Minimalism
- Expansive negative space
- Alternate grid work
- "Modern traditionalism" (the updating of classic quilt designs)
- Quilting design flows across the body of the quilt into the borders, may mimic geometric shapes, often uses echoing and repeating shapes, asymmetrical

Sources:

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