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PLEASE VISIT QUILTRECIPES.COM FOR PRO-Q PANTO LITE UPDATES, PATTERNS & VIDEOS STARTING DECEMBER 1, 2011 (or sooner)!

Thank you for your interest in Pro-Q Panto Lite!

This special edition was created specifically for our customers to enable them to use the many digital patterns available on our website for hand-guided quilting. It has all the power and features of the original program and has some special FREE patterns for you to try.

The program is compatible with XP, Vista and Windows 7, and is easy to install. We recommend that you disable your virus checker and any other software you may be running while installing. If software attempts to block the installation, you must extend FULL PERMISSION to the installer or it will not be successful. If you are nervous about viruses, you may disconnect from the Internet during installation. Pro-Q Panto Lite is not copy protected in any way and does not need any access to the Internet.

When you put the disc in the first time, you may get a popup asking you if you want to run "Pro-Q_Panto_Lite_Installation_&_Videos.exe" or if you want to open the CD to look at the files. You should select to RUN the program which will install Pro-Q Panto Lite for Munnich Design.

The installation is in 2 parts. The first part installs the actual program and copies the patterns on the CD to your hard drive. The second part unzips and installs the National Instrument's LabView Runtime Engine to your computer. This is the special software that allows Panto Lite to do its magic! You will need to reboot after installation.

For those of you who are more technical, Pro-Q Panto Lite must be installed on your C-Drive. There is currently no option for alternate drives. If you want to easily perform updates, you should choose the default folder for the installation.

There are some basic videos on the CD which will give you a bit of an introduction. We will have additional videos available in the months to come on Quiltrecipes.com.

VERY IMPORTANT....

We are always looking at new ways to help our customers. The option to make Panto Lite available to all our customers free of charge only became available at the end of October 2011. That means our website isn't quite ready, and only a few patterns are converted (actually about 200, but we haven't had time to redo the website to accommodate them). However, we wanted to get the disc out to as many new customers as possible. Please check out quiltrecipes.com or join our Yahoo Users Group (QuiltRecipes) for breaking news. We will start posting new patterns **before** December 1st and videos **before** the end of the year.

WHAT WILL PRO-Q PANTO LITE DO FOR ME?

Everyone has their favorite pattern that they wish was just a little bigger or a little smaller! OR imagine you have found the perfect pattern, but you want full repeats on the quilt and no matter what you do, the pattern will be chopped in half at the edge! Some of us have hundreds of paper rolls and buy the same pattern multiple times in different size, or spend hours photocopying or scanning and resizing to get a pattern to fit perfectly.

Pro-Q Panto Lite takes away that headache. It will print your pattern out the size you want. It will let you do repeats to fit an area manually OR you can use the Wizard and it will calculate and resize the pattern for you.

You do not need a special Banner printer, although Pro-Q Panto Lite does support large format printing. You can print your patterns on an ordinary inkjet or laser printer on regular letter or legal size paper. The program prints a very light grid in the background that makes the individual pages of the pattern printout a SNAP to line up!

IMPORTANT NOTES AND ERRATA

There are 4 patterns on the CD that will be copied to your *C:\My Pantos* folder that will be created when installing Pro-Q Panto Lite (PQPL). 3 are free patterns which can be shared. One is for your personal use only and is a sample of on of our digitized patterns that are available at quiltrecipes.com.

The first video, "*Where Are My Patterns*" shows patterns on the CD that you can copy easily. When we created a menu system with the program that allowed you to play the videos easily, the Patterns on the CD became hidden and we automated the copying of the patterns as part of installation. However, if you purchase a pattern CD from us, that is where they will be stored!

The videos are simple because many of our users have not used computers for quilting before and asked us to make it VERY easy on them. If you have some specific questions about the program, please feel free to call support!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

What patterns can I use with Pro-Q Panto Lite? The program uses a special format called PPF.

What is so special about the PPF format? It includes hints for placing rows of patterns and may contain other information of importance to a hand-guided quilter.

Do I need a special printer for PQPL? No, most of our users use a simple ink jet or laser printer that prints on letter-sized (8.5" x 11") paper. If you need a bit more room, most printers can use legal-sized (8.5" x 14") paper. That can make it easier to print a slightly larger pattern.

Should I save my printouts? That is up to you. After they are done with the pattern, since each one is can be customized for the quilt, many users just throw them out! Others fan-fold them and put them in a file folder in a cabinet!

Why is Pro-Q Panto Lite free? I heard there was a cost for it. The program is provided free of charge because designers must pay for the software to encrypt the patterns. Previously the designer could buy a copy of PQPL at a reduced cost and give it away with their patterns and the owner of PQPL encrypted the patterns. T**hose who bought PQPL actually paid for the patterns, not the program.**

I paid for Pro-Q Panto Lite, will the patterns I got with my original version work with this one? Yes, most definitely. Even if the program is modified in the future it will remain compatible with all existing patterns.

Where can I get more patterns? Quiltrecipes.com is the first pattern website that is embracing the PPF format and all its power! We will have at least 25% of our 1300 pattern sets (over 6000 patterns) converted to PPF format by December 1st. A special section of our website will be created specifically for Pro-Q Panto Lite users!

What if I want patterns NOW and I see something I like in your regular computerized collections? We will be happy to convert it to PPF format - normally within 48 hours.

Why is Pro-Q Panto Lite better than a PDF file? Someone told me I could resize PDFs! There are many types of files you can resize. Unfortunately they must be resized the same amount in all directions. That means in many cases you won't get the results you want. For example, sometimes you need a pattern 50% the height, but 55% the width of the original pattern to fit a space. PQPL will let you stretch a pattern by a different amount in each direction! PDFs can't be resized in that manner.

Can I save a layout in Pro-Q Panto Lite? Resizing a pattern to fit is extremely fast in PQPL. There was no reason for saving files as a user can recreate a layout in a matter of seconds! In fact, in testing, we found that it took longer for users to find files they created and load them than to use the original pattern to create the identical layout.

Can I create my own patterns in Pro-Q Panto Lite? No, PQPL is designed to be a very simple program. If you require more power or wish to create your own patterns, please feel free to call us and we can recommend software depending on what you want to achieve.

Again, thank you for your interest! Please feel free to contact me (or my assistant, Sandy) if you have any other questions or need a special pattern right away.

Thanks and Happy Quilting

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