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Top 100 Puzzle - Ancient Directions - Alison Goss

This week's quilt is *Ancient Directions* by **Alison Goss**, created in 1990. Having lived in many places, Alison has always been inspired by her surroundings. According to *The Twentieth Century's Best American Quilts*, edited by Mary Leman Austin, Alison states, "I made this quilt about nine months after an extended stay in the San Juan Mountains in the Four Corners area of the American Southwest. I was overwhelmed, and still am, by the beauty and meaning of this area. I tried to put as much of my feeling as possible into Ancient Directions."

Joan Wolfrom, in her book *The Magical Effects of Color* says, "Some spectacular examples of contemporary quilts with vague traditional roots include: Ancient Directions by Alison Goss with its dimensional design based on a simple diagonal four-patch."

However you feel about *Ancient Directions*, you can't help but be drawn into depths and beauty.

The quilt is 80" x 67" It uses hand-painted and commercial cottons and is machine pieced and quilted. It is in the collection of the [National Quilting Museum](#).

[Ancient Directions 35 non-rotating](#)

[Ancient Directions 100 non-rotating](#)

[Ancient Directions 100 rotating](#)

