

# Fabric Requirements

- 16 brightly colored fat eighths
- 1.75 yards black for sashing and binding
- 1/4 yard stripe for sashing cornerstones
- 1 yards focus print for border
- 3.25 yards backing fabric

This cheerful quilt was designed in honor of Traer's Winding Stairs Festival, August 8-9, 2008 -- Fiesta!

The quilt was originally designed using the adorable Candy fabric used in the borders, but it lends itself easily to any brightly colored border fabric. Pick something with lots of colors, and then pick your fat 8ths accordingly.

Instructions are given here for the lap sized quilt, but you could easily make this quilt bigger by adding additional fat 8ths (each fat 8th is enough for 2 blocks). You could also easily use Jelly Rolls, or even scraps!



## Pinata Booty

55 by 65 inches

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## Cutting Instructions

Cut each Fat Eighth into (4) 2 in. strips

Use 2 strips to cut (4) 2 in. by 8 in. rectangles (A)  
and (4) 2 in. squares (B)

Use 2 strips to cut (4) 2 in. by 5 in. rectangles (C)

From the black cut:

(2) 2 in. strips

From these strips, cut (30) 2 in. squares (D)

(4) 8 in. strips

From these strips cut (71) 2 in. by 8 in. rectangles (E)

(7) 2.5 in. strips for binding

From the stripe cut (2) 2 in. strips

From these strips cut (42) 2 in. squares (F)

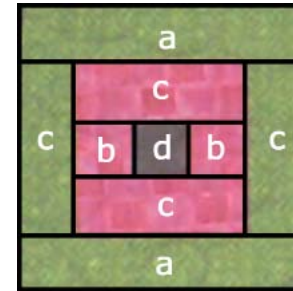
From focus fabric:

Cut (6) 4.5 in strips for border

## Sewing Instructions

1. The blocks are constructed as a log cabin variation known as Courthouse Steps. Starting with a center black square (piece D), you'll sew a piece B to each side, then a piece C to the top and bottom. These 4 pieces should all be of the same fabric.

2. Next, you'll use a 2nd fabric (something that contrasts with the first!) to sew on the second round of rectangles -- a piece C to each side, then a piece A to the top and bottom.



You'll need 30 blocks: try to really mix up the fabrics (and don't use the same combinations more than once!) You will have some extra pieces left over.

Use a design wall or some other flat surface to lay your blocks out to determine the most pleasing layout.

Refer to the picture to add the sashing pieces (E) and (F) and sew your blocks together in rows and then join the rows into the body of the quilt top.

Join the border strips end to end (I like to use a diagonal seam). Measure through the center of the quilt to determine the length needed for your borders, and cut your borders to size from the seamed strip.

Quilt, bind and enjoy! The sample quilt was quilted with an allover loopy design.