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Materials List & Piecing Instructions for a 48" x 48" Quilt Top

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materials needed:

For a playful, scrappy look, select a variety of prints from the Freshcut™ fabric collection by Heather Bailey for Free Spirit™. For an estimate of the yardage used in the sample quilt top, see the list below.

Of the following fabrics, 1/4 yard each:

Design #	Description	Identifying Color(s)
D1580-220	painted mums	blue
D1580-305	painted mums	white
D1581-702	graphic mums	pinks & orange
D1581-445	graphic mums	turq/yllw/grn
D1583-305	floral finery	cream & green
D1584-702	groovy floral	orng/grn/brwn
D1585-412	lollipop garden	pink/grn/cream
D1586-545	lounge stripe	yellow
D1587-702	dotted paisley	pinky-peach
D1587-418	dotted paisley	green
D1587-315	dotted paisley	brown
D1588-418	crest	green
D1588-627	crest	red
D1588-315	crest	brown
D1589-618	jellybean	watermelon
D1589-315	jellybean	brwn/orng/pink
D1589-450	jellybean	brwn/turq/grn
D1590-702	dittybud	pink on cream
D1590-450	dittybud	turq on cream

Of the following fabrics, 1/2 yard each:

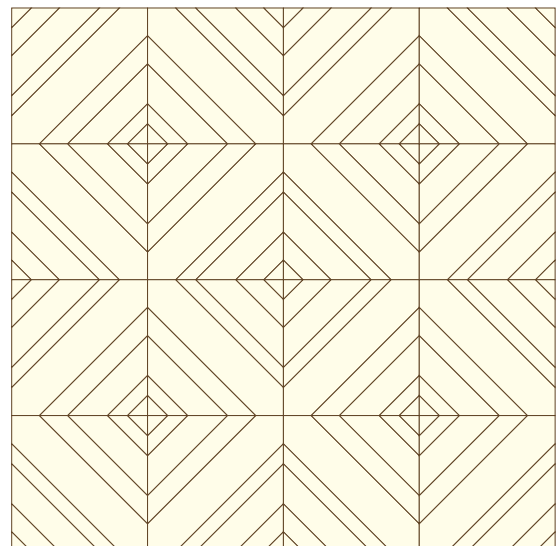
Design #	Description	Identifying Color(s)
D1582-350	cabrose	brown
D1583-545	floral finery	yellow
D1586-702	lounge stripe	pinky-peach
D1587-450	dotted paisley	turquoise

backing fabric
 ruffle or binding fabric
 batting
 coordinating thread
 12.5" x 12.5" square ruler (optional)

Read through the entire pattern before beginning.

For the exact fabric layout of the sample quilt, refer to the quilt photo on Page 1.

Diagram A



48" x 48" quilt top

instructions

Note: All seams are sewn with 1/4" seam allowances.

1. Cut Out: Cut fabric strips for each quilt block according to the measurements in Diagram B. (Seam allowances are included in the measurements.) Use a larger-scale floral for the wide, center strip.

2. Sew & Trim Each Block: Assemble each quilt block according to the layout in Diagram B, centering the strips of fabric on each other as you go. Once the strips are assembled, press all seams in one direction. Press each block flat. Trim the blocks down to 12.5" square, with two opposing corners centered on the widest strip, as shown by the dashed lines in Diagram B. (A 12.5" square ruler comes in handy here.)

3. Stay-stitch Edges: Since the edges of the blocks are on the bias, stay-stitch a scant 1/4" from each edge with a medium-long stitch. Check that each block is square and that the edges aren't stretching before sewing the blocks together.

4. Assemble Blocks: Sew blocks together according to Diagram A. Before sewing blocks together, align the multiple seams along each block edge and be sure that you've rotated the blocks correctly to create the pattern shown.

5. Assemble Quilt Back: Cut or piece together a quilt back to measure 52" x 52" (4" wider and 4" longer than the quilt top).

6. Make Quilt 'Sandwich': With the right side down, lay your quilt back onto a large, flat surface. Smooth out the backing, and secure it. (I spread mine out on the floor and tape the edges down with masking tape.) Next, on top of your secured quilt back, spread out the batting. With the right side up, center your quilt top above the batting and quilt back. Starting at the center and moving outward, hand-baste or safety-pin your quilt 'sandwich' together through all layers. Finally, hand-baste around the perimeter of the quilt top through all layers, a scant 1/4" from the edge.

7. Finish Quilt: Hand-quilt, machine-quilt, or tie the quilt as you like. Trim off excess batting and quilt back. Finish edges with a continuous binding or a ruffle, as desired. Carefully trim loose threads and remove exposed stay-stitching.

Congratulations -- enjoy your new quilt!

Note: For continuous quilt-binding directions, visit the website below.

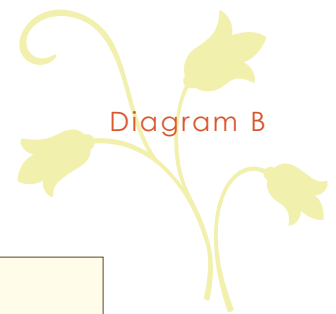


Diagram B

Center corners on the widest strip when trimming.