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Laura Bethanie's Quilt

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finished size approx. 152cm x 152cm (60" x 60")

Requirements

- 12 x 16" fabric for quilt top
- 4yds approx. fabric for quilt backing
- 24" fabric for binding
- batting 63" x 63"

NOTE: The above fabric requirements allow for the simplest cutting and piecing

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Cutting Instructions

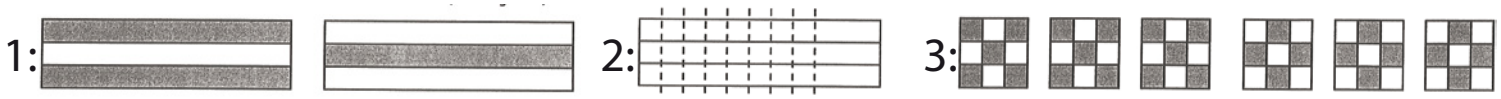
I found it easiest to work with two fabrics at a time. Separate your twelve fabrics into six piles with two fabrics in each pile. Make sure each set of two fabrics contrast nicely.

First cuts:

From each of your twelve 40cm (16") pieces, cut six strips measuring 2½" by the whole width of your fabric. You should now have seventy-two strips measuring 2½" x 44".

Piecing Instructions

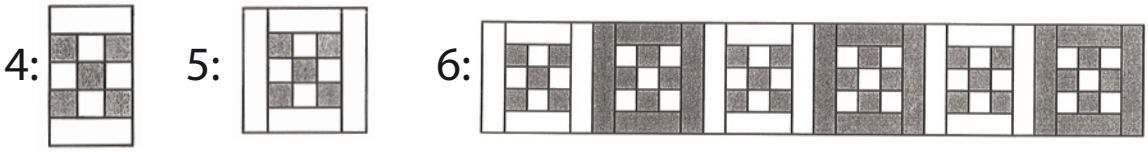
1. Working with two fabrics at a time, take your six strips of one fabric and six strips of another (One fabric will be considered Fabric A and the second fabric will be considered Fabric B). These twelve strips will give you six finished blocks out of the thirty-six finished blocks you will need to complete Laura Bethanie's quilt).
2. Sew together a strip of Fabric A, then Fabric B, then Fabric A (see Diagram 1). Press.
3. Sew together a strip of Fabric B, then Fabric A, then Fabric B (see Diagram 1). Press.



4. From each of the above, cut nine 2½" strips (see Diagram 2).
5. Sew these strips together to form six squares (see Diagram 3 for placement).
6. From the remaining 2½" x 44" strips of Fabrics A and B, cut the following:

•Six strips of Fabric A measuring 6½" x 2½"
•Six strips of Fabric A measuring 10½" x 2½"
•Six strips of Fabric B measuring 6½" x 2½"
•Six strips of Fabric B measuring 10½" x 2½"

7. Sew a 6½" strip of Fabric B to the top and bottom of each of your first three chequered squares. Open and press. (see diagram 4)



8. Sew a 10½" strip of Fabric B to each side of your first three chequered squares. Open and press. (see diagram 5)
9. Repeat Steps 7 and 8, using Fabric A and your second set of three chequered squares. You should now have six completed quilt blocks using two fabrics.
10. Continue to work through all twelve fabrics, two at a time, until you have thirty-six completed quilt blocks.
11. Lay out the thirty-six completed quilt blocks on the floor to position them (I have made sure that no two squares of the same fabric are touching each other).
12. Sew completed quilt blocks together, first in rows of six across. Press. (see diagram 6)
13. When you have completed six rows of six quilt blocks, sew two rows together, right sides together. Open and press (pinning each row together is a good idea so that your corners meet accurately).
14. Continue sewing the six rows together until your quilt top measures six quilt blocks by six quilt blocks. Press the whole quilt top.

Quilt Assembly

1. Cut your backing fabric in half so that you have two pieces measuring 2yds each. Sew these pieces together side by side to form a large backing piece.
2. Layer your quilt top, batting and backing together (quilt top and backing with right sides facing out).
3. Baste your quilt.
4. Quilt as desired (I have hand-quilted as follows for each square.
5. Cut your binding into eight 2½" strips, and bind your quilt.

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