

Cloudy Day Quilt Sampler

Finishing Instructions

Instead of cutting a bunch of small squares, we will be using strip piecing to make our corner stones. If you would like to cut out individual squares, instead of using the strip piecing method you will need: 80 Color A and 60 Color E - 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch squares.

Cutting Instructions:

Color A (Navy) -

5 - 2 1/2 inch x WOF strips
(at least 40 inches long)

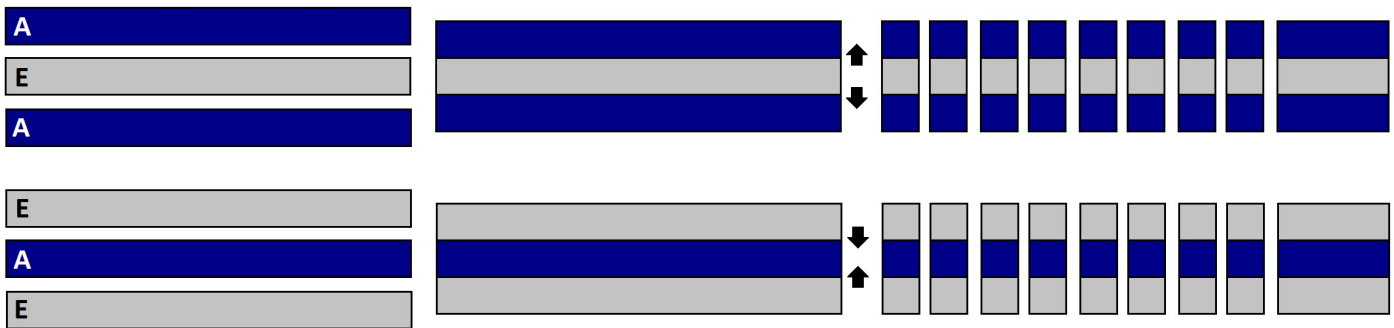
Color E (Grey) -

24 - 6 1/2 x 16 1/2 inch rectangles*
4 - 2 1/2 x WOF strips
(at least 40 inches long)

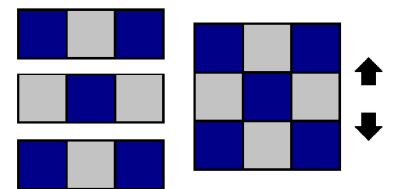
*If your blocks measure larger than 16 1/2 x 16 1/2 inches, you will want to cut your sashing strips the same length as your block length.

1. You will cut the fabric into width of fabric strips (at least 40 inches wide). Then with right sides of fabric facing each other, sew these three strips together lengthwise. Press the seam according to the diagrams. Then sub-cut the strips into 2 1/2 x 6 1/2 inch rectangles. Make sure to line up our center strip with the lines on your ruler. Note: You can cut at least 16 sub units from 1 - 2 1/2 x 40 inch strip.

You need a total of 32 - A/E/A combos and 16 - E/A/E combos.



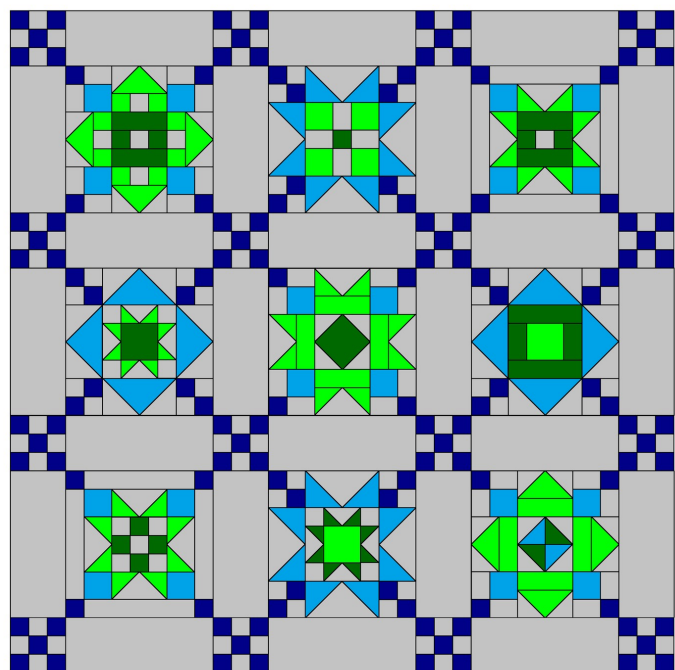
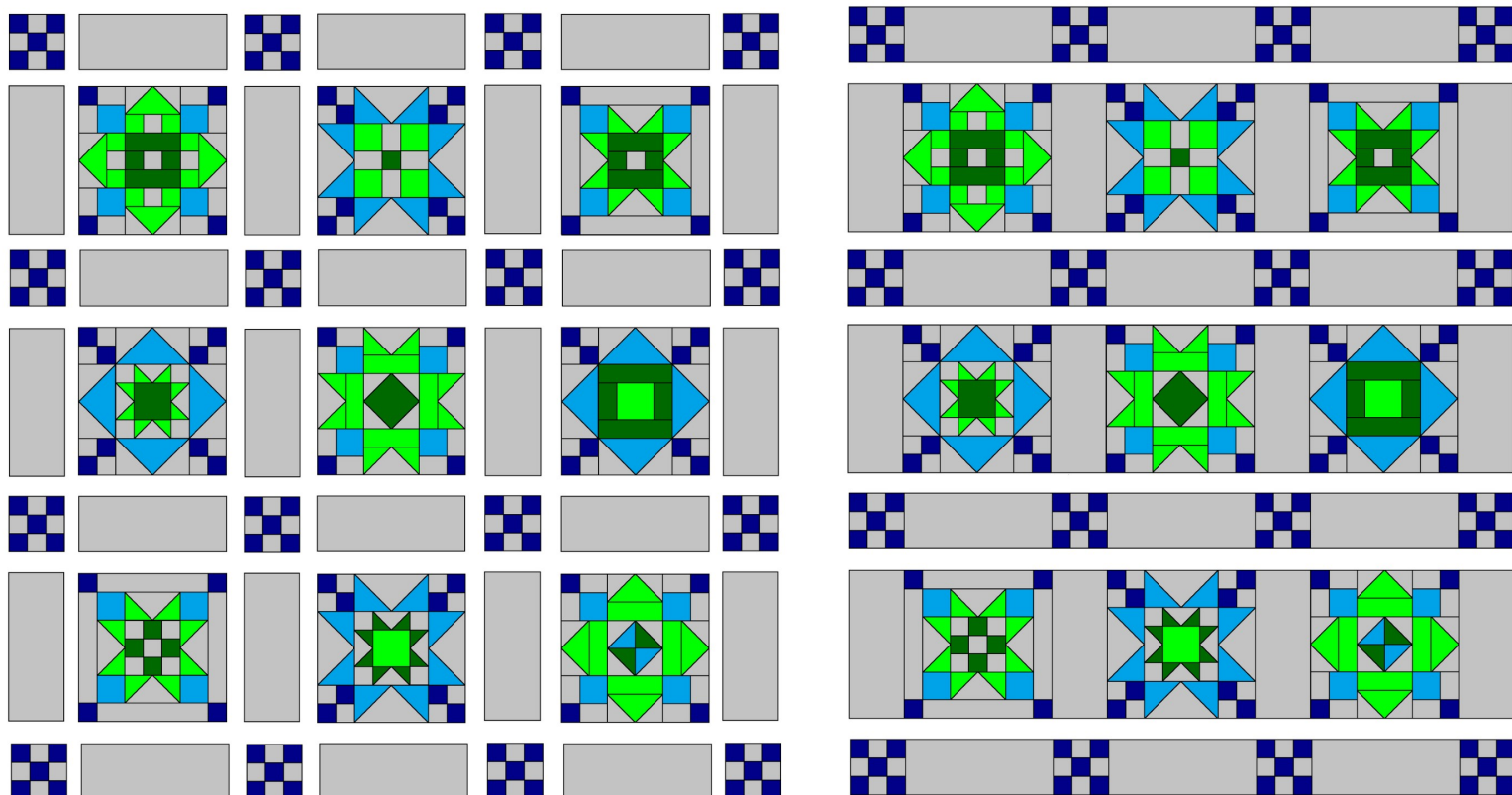
2. Take the strip units you made in step 1. With right sides of fabric together, nest your seams, pin in place. Sew the three strips together to form your corner stone. Press your seams out. **You will make 16 corner stones.**



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3. Lay out your Blocks, Sashing strips (Color E - 6 1/2 x 16 1/2 inch rectangles), and your corner stones. With right sides of fabric together, sew the corner stones and sashing strips together and sew the sashing strips to the sides of your blocks to form rows. Press the seams in alternating directions in each row.

With right sides of fabric together, nest the seams in your rows so they interlock, pin in place. Sew the rows together to form your quilt top.



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How to finish your Quilt

1. You will need to cut and sew your backing fabric together to fit behind your quilt. You will want the backing to be at least 3 inches wider than your quilt top on all sides (6 inches wider than your quilt top total). Make your quilt sandwich by first laying your quilt backing down wrong side facing up. Tape down to a hard surface, making the fabric taut. Next lay your batting on top. Smooth out with your hands, do not stretch. Then lay your quilt top right side up, smooth out with your hands.

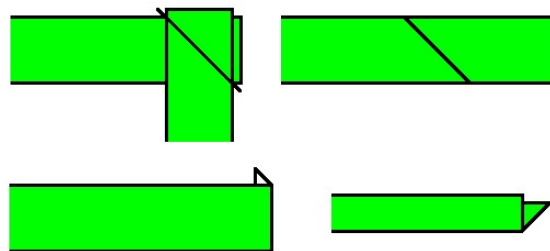
2. You can baste your quilt using spray baste and/or safety pins every 3 - 4 inches.

3. Quilt the three layers together as desired.

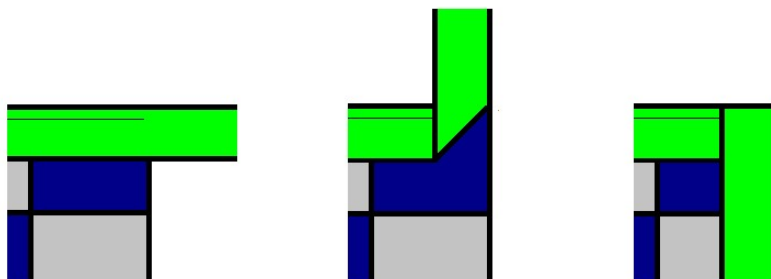
4. Trim off extra backing and batting. Square up quilt using your ruler and rotary cutter.

5. Make your binding by cutting 8 - 2 1/2 inch strips. Sew strip ends together at a diagonal seam on the ends. Trim off extra fabric, leaving 1/4 inch

from your seam. Press seams to the side. On one end fold in about 1 inch. Press wrong sides facing each other. Then fold fabric in half lengthwise, wrong sides together and press flat.



6. Match up raw sides of the binding to the raw sides of the front of the quilt. Take the binding end with the folded over edge, line up your binding at least 6 inches from the corner of your quilt. Start sewing your binding on to the front of the quilt a couple inches in from the folded end, use a 1/4 inch seam allowance. Stop when you are 1/4 inch from the corner edge, backstitch (and cut thread). Fold your binding up, lining up with the side of your quilt, then fold it down to line up with the side of your quilt. See diagram below. Start sewing 1/4 from the corner edge. When you have reached the beginning point, trim to correct length, tuck the end of the binding under the beginning of the binding and sew down.



7. Fold over binding and hand sew to the back or machine sew to the back.

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