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Finished size approx. 134.7cm x 147.3cm (53" x 58")

What you need:

15.2cm (6") each of 11 assorted coordinating prints
1.25m of cotton batting
1.75m fabric, backing
2.2m fabric, border

Do not wash fabrics prior to cutting or making this quilt.

Getting Started:

Cut :-

72 x 6" squares from the 11 assorted prints

72 x 6" squares from the backing fabric

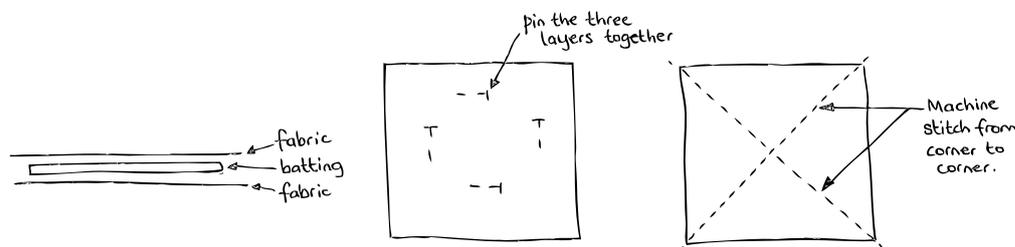
72 x 5" squares from the cotton batting

6 x 14" strips from border fabric

6 x 6½" strips from cotton batting for the borders (these will be cut to length once the quilt is assembled)

Working on a flat surface place a backing square right side down, centre a cotton batting square on top and then to complete the sandwich place one of the 6" squares from the assorted print right side up. Pin through all three layers to hold them together while you stitch.

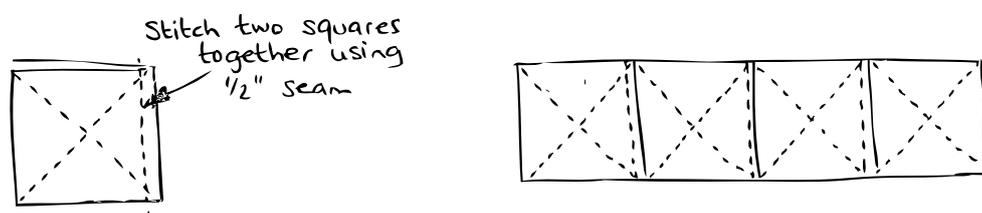
Either machine stitch or do a large running stitch by hand, stitch diagonally from one corner to the other, then repeat for the other side.



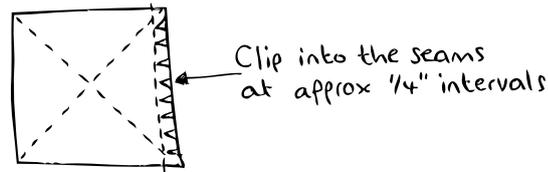
Remove the pins. Assemble the rest of the 71 squares this way.

Once you have assembled all of the 72 squares, lay them out on the floor in a pleasing arrangement, 8 squares wide x 9 rows down.

Join the rows together first. Take two of the sandwiches and place them wrong sides together (with the seam facing the front of the quilt), pin the sandwich together and sew using a ½" seam. Stitch the entire row together this way.



Using a very sharp pair of fabric scissors clip the seams almost to the stitched line at approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ " intervals.



Repeat until all the rows are joined, so you have 9 rows of 8 squares. Then join the rows together, seams facing the front of the quilt and stitch using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance.

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Side Borders:

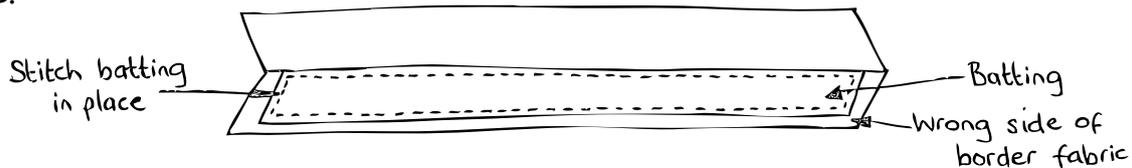
Measure the quilt through the centre to check the length before cutting the side border fabric. Once you have taken the measurement for the side borders cut 2 x of the 14" strips x measured length (you may need to join the strips to get the right length).

Take 2 pieces of the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " wide batting that you cut previously and cut them 1" shorter than the required side border measurement.

With wrong sides together fold the side border fabric in half lengthwise and press the fold. Open out and position the batting so that the batting fits snugly with the fold, making sure there is a $\frac{1}{2}$ " space at each end.

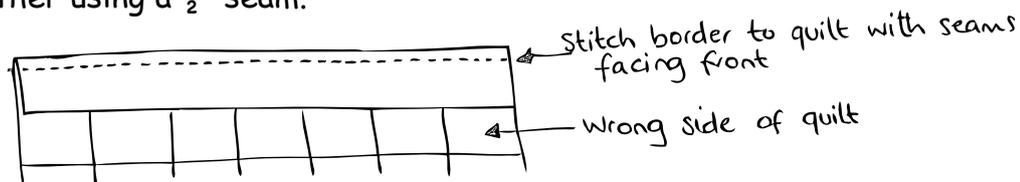


Pin the batting in place and then stitch around the edges of the batting using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

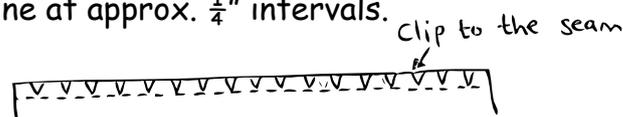


Fold the fabrics back over the batting and pin the layers together.

Place the border along the edge of the quilt with the seams facing the front of the quilt, pin and stitch together using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam.



Repeat for the other side border. Using a very sharp pair of fabric scissors clip the seams almost to the stitched line at approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ " intervals.



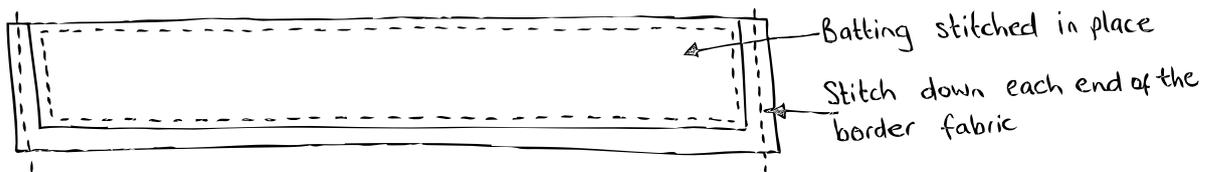
Top and Bottom Borders:

Measure the quilt through the centre again to determine the length required for the top and bottom borders. From the remaining 14" width border fabric that you cut previously cut 2 x length measured plus $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Take 2 pieces of the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " wide batting that you cut previously and cut them $11\frac{1}{2}$ " shorter than the required side border measurement.

Fold the border fabric in half and press on the fold, position the batting as before and stitch the batting in place.

With right sides together stitch down the short sides of the border using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Repeat for other border.



Turn to right side and sew the top and bottom borders into place on the remaining two sides of the quilt.

Place the border along the edge of the quilt with the seams facing the front of the quilt, pin and stitch together using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam.

Using a very sharp pair of fabric scissors clip the seams almost to the stitched line at approx. $\frac{1}{4}$ " intervals. At this stage you should check that all the seams have been clipped as its easy to miss doing some of them.

Machine or handwash your quilt. Dry the quilt in the clothes dryer on a hot setting. Be sure to check the quilt regularly as it may form into a tight ball in the dryer and then the edges wont fray as well as expected. You will need to clean the lint filter regularly too.

Once the quilt is dry give it a good shake outside to remove any excess lint, I found that some of the lint was tangled in the frayed edges and that vacuuming the quilt lightly removed them!

Press the borders if needed.

