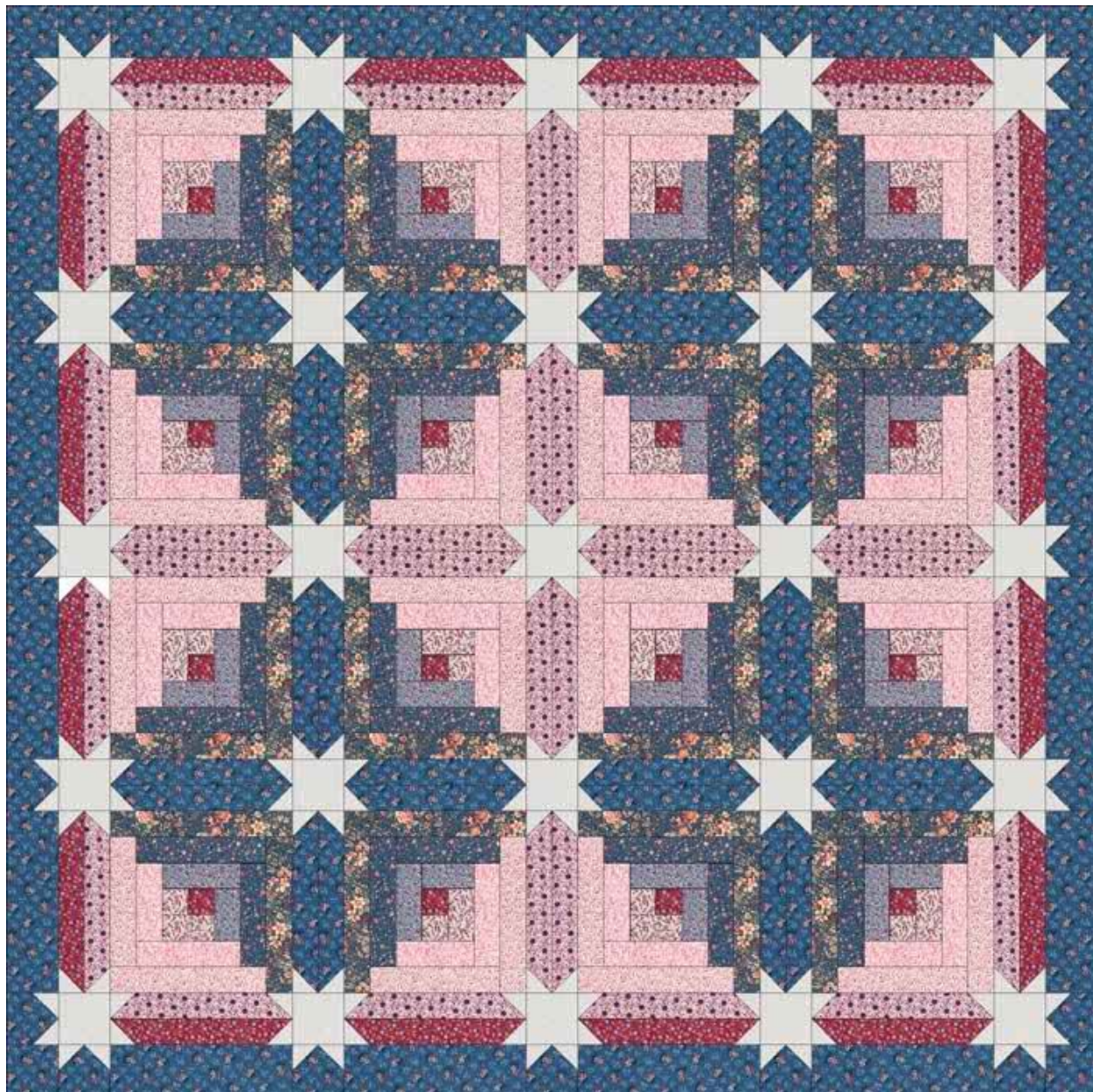


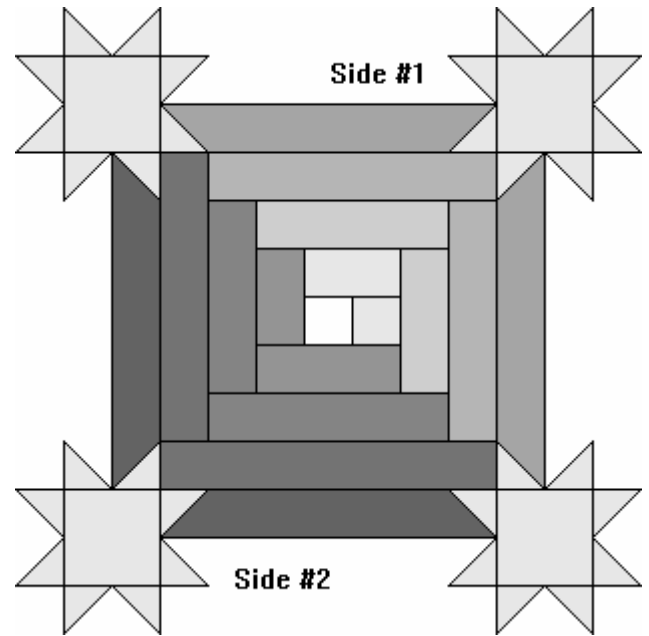
Star Log Cabin Lap Size Quilt Top Pattern

SIZE
63" x 63"



Choosing your fabrics

This quilt requires several different fabrics in three main contrasting colors. When choosing colors, prints will work the best and make for a more interesting pattern. Look at the picture to the side. Side #1 needs four different fabrics all from the same color family. When selecting fabrics, it will work best if each shade of the fabric is a little darker than the previous. Side #2 needs to be a totally separate color from side #1. Side #2 also needs four different fabrics with a slight graduation in color value. Your third contrasting color is going to be for the stars and the center square. Only one fabric is needed for these two positions. Fabric is needed for the frame, which is a strip that is located just inside the borders. This can be any fabric except the darkest color on side #1, the darkest color on side #2, or the star fabric. It can also be a different fabric that is not yet included in the quilt. The first or only border can be any fabric except the frame fabric or the star fabric. The remaining borders, if any, can be any fabric. Listed below are fabric quantities and supplies needed. For the fabrics for side #1, label the lightest of these fabrics B, the next lightest labeled D, the next lightest labeled F, and the darkest shade for side #1 labeled H. For the fabrics for Side #2, label the lightest of these fabrics C, the next lightest labeled E, the next lightest labeled G, and the darkest shade for side #2 labeled I.



- Side #1 fabric B: 1/4 yd.
- Side #1 fabric D: 3/8 yd.
- Side #1 fabric F: 5/8 yd.
- Side #1 fabric H: 5/8 yd.
- Side #2 fabric C: 1/3 yd.
- Side #2 fabric E: 1/2 yd.
- Side #2 fabric G: 2/3 yd.
- Side #2 fabric I: 5/8 yd.
- Star fabric: 1 1/8 yds.
- Frame fabric: 1/3 yd.
- Fabric for your border: 7/8 yd.
- Coordinating color thread, Pins, Iron and an ironing board
- Use a ruler and a rotary cutter **-OR-** a ruler to draw straight lines with a pencil, then scissors to cut with to ensure straight and even cuts.
- Finishing supplies (backing, batting, and binding)

Cutting the Pieces

- Cut all strips selvage to selvage.
- Get a blank piece of paper so you can staple a small piece of each fabric to it and mark the letter label next to it. Label the 4 different reds B, D, F, and H as above. Label the 4 blues C, E, G, and I as above. Label the neutral fabric J. The rest of the fabric will get labeled according to the cut piece, and the instructions will go over that below. While sewing and following the directions you can refer back to these pieces to help you remember what the different fabrics are labeled.
- Start with the Side #1 fabrics.
 - Fabric B: Cut 3 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric D: Cut 5 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric F: Cut 8 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric H: Cut 9 strips 2" wide.
- Now cut the Side #2 fabrics.
 - Fabric C: Cut 4 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric E: Cut 6 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric G: Cut 10 strips 2" wide.
 - Fabric I: Cut 9 strips 2" wide.
- Now cut the Frame fabric (fabric J): Cut 4 strips 2" wide.
- There are going to be 3 different cuts for the Star fabric and they each are labeled a different letter.
 - The first set will be labeled A: Cut 1 strip 2" wide.
 - The next set will be labeled K: Cut 11 strips 2" wide. Cut the length of all of these strips into 2" pieces so you have squares that are 2" x 2". For this kit you will need approximately 200 of these 2" x 2" squares.
 - The last set will be labeled L: Cut 3 strips 3.5" wide. Cut the length of all of these strips into 3.5" pieces so you have squares that are 3.5" x 3.5". You will need approximately 25 of these 3.5" x 3.5" squares.
- The border fabric will be 2 different cuts each labeled a different letter.
 - The first set will be labeled M: Cut 4 strips 3.5" wide. Cut the length of all of these strips into 11" pieces so you have rectangles that are 3.5" x 11". You will need 16 of these 3.5" x 11" rectangles.
 - The next set will be labeled N: Cut 2 strips 3.5" wide. Cut the length of both of these strips into 3.5" pieces so you have squares that are 3.5" x 3.5". You will need 24 of these pieces.

Star Log Cabin Quilt Top Kit

Instructions

Finished size of the quilt top will be approximately 64" x 64"

Sewing and seam allowances

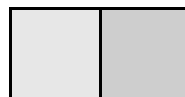
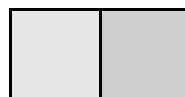
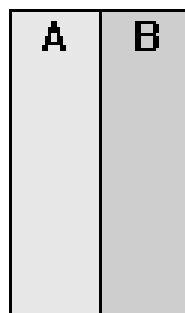
Sew an accurate and consistent $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance throughout the quilt unless otherwise noted. To make this easier, use a presser foot with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " edge so you can line up the edges of the fabric with the side of the presser foot. You may also use a magnetic seam guide placed on the metal plate under the presser foot to help guide the fabric. When sewing use a small stitch, at least 14 to 15 stitches per inch.

Pressing

Strips or pairs are sewn right sides together. Before opening, lay the strips flat and lightly press to set the seam. Then open and press seam allowances to one side. Make sure there are no folds at the seam line. Turn over and press the reverse side and check that the seam allowances are pressed in the right direction.

Sewing The Blocks

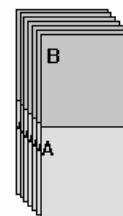
1. Take one strip A and place it on top of one strip B, right sides together and matching edges. Sew all the way down the right side. Press seam allowance away from strip A. Cut the length of the strip into $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces. Use a ruler and pencil or a rotary cutter to ensure straight and even cuts. You will need 16 of these pieces. Take these pieces and turn them so that they are face down and fabric B is on top. Stacking the blocks this way gets you ready for the next step so you don't have to turn or flip the blocks at all to sew them to the next piece.

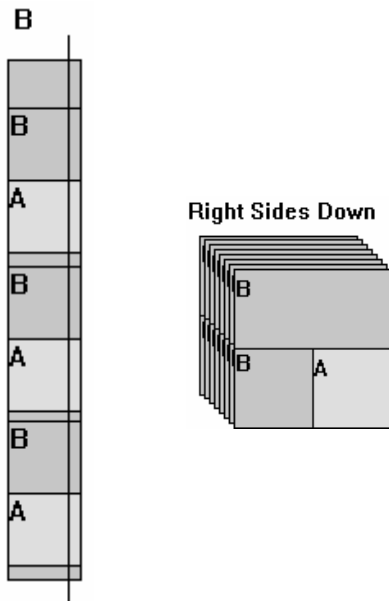


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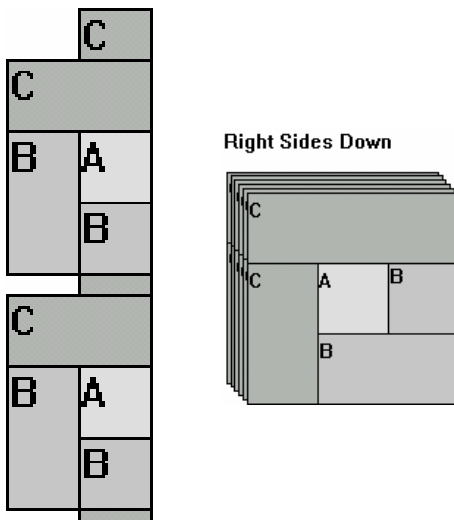
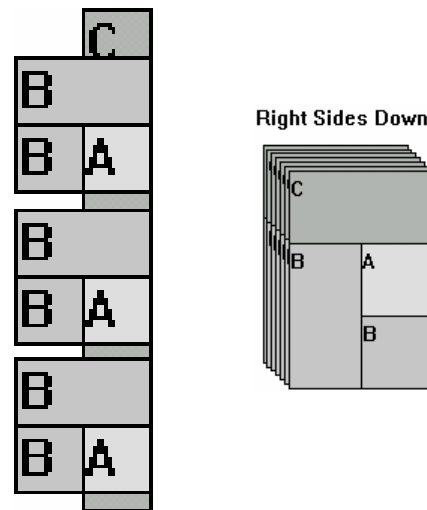
Right Sides Down





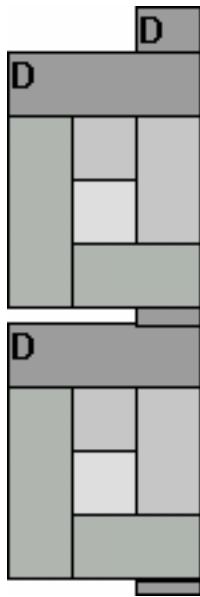
2. Take another B strip and place an A/B piece on it face down and sew down the right side. When you reach the end of the A/B piece, add another one on and continue sewing down the right side. Keep adding A/B pieces on until no more will fit, or you have sewn all of the pieces. Use as many B strips as needed to sew all of the A/B pieces. Lay flat and cut the B strip in between the pieces. Press seam allowances away from fabric A. Trim any excess fabric to make the edge straight and even with the rest of the block. Stack these blocks in a pile face down and turn them so that the piece you just attached is on top.

3. Sew the blocks to strip C, right sides together, using same method as before. Cut strip C in between blocks, and press seam allowances away from fabric A. Trim any excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks in a pile face down and turn them so that the piece that you just attached in on top.

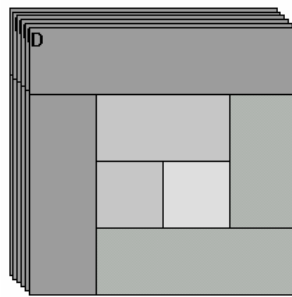


4. Sew the blocks to strip C again, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip C in between the blocks, and press seam allowance away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.

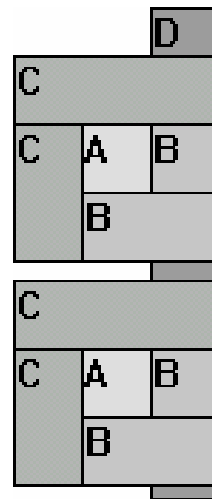
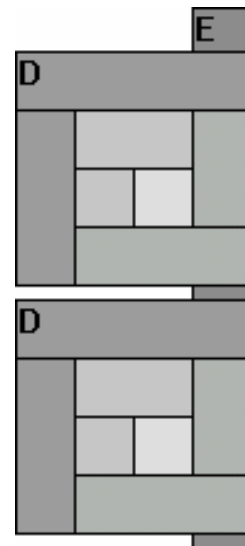
5. Sew the blocks to strip D, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip D in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.



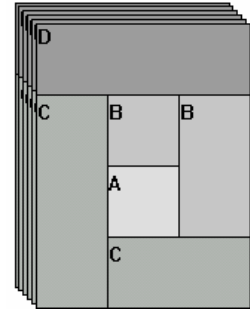
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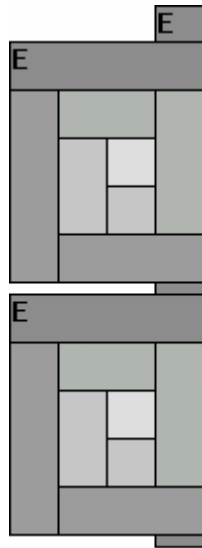
7. Sew the blocks to strip E, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip E in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.



Right Sides Down

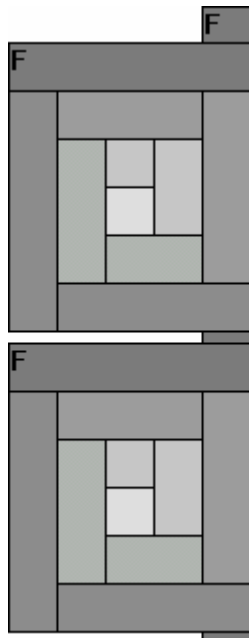
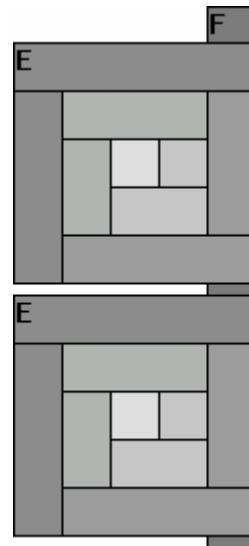


6. Sew the blocks to strip D again, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip D in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.



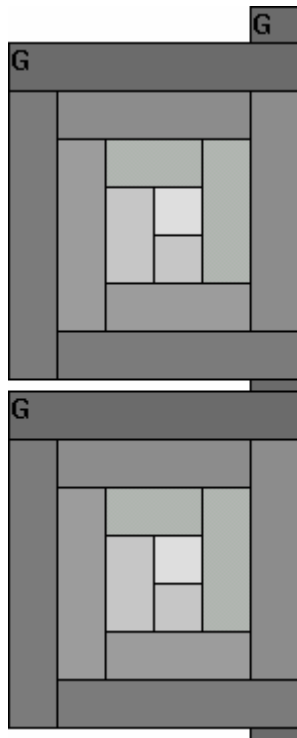
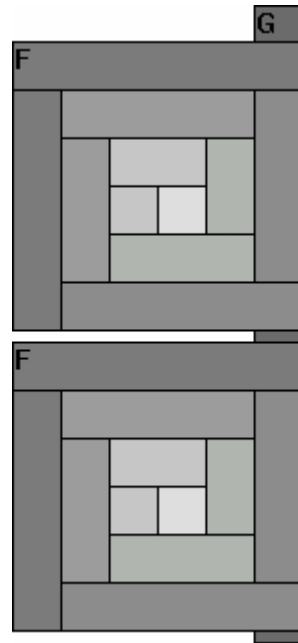
8. Sew the blocks to strip E again, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip E in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.

9. Sew the blocks to strip F, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip F in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.



10. Sew the blocks to strip F again, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip F in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.

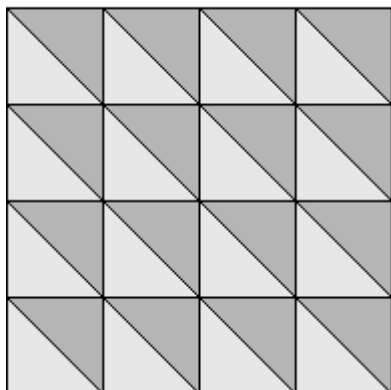
- 11.** Sew the blocks to strip G, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip G in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Stack the blocks face down and turn so that the last piece attached is on top.



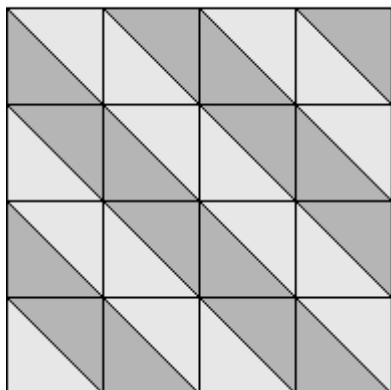
- 12.** Sew the blocks to strip G again, right sides together using same method as before. Cut strip G in between the blocks, and press seam allowances away from the middle of the block. Trim excess fabric to make edge straight and even. Trim these blocks down to 14" x 14" if necessary.

- 13.** Choose one of the layout options on the next page. Lay out the blocks on a large table or the floor in your chosen pattern.

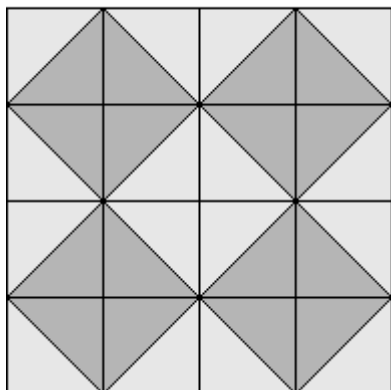
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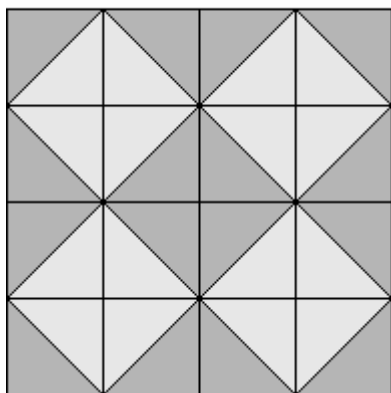
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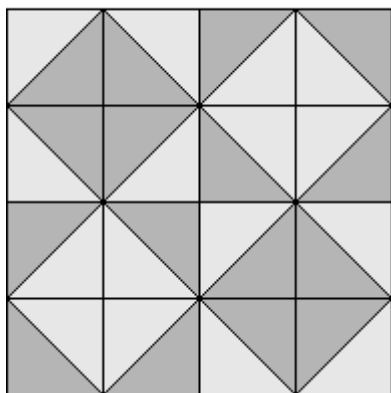
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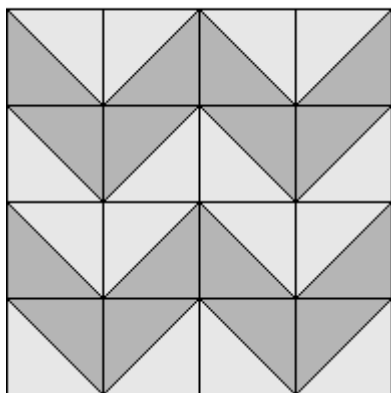
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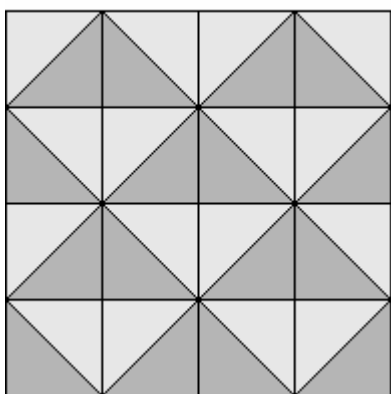
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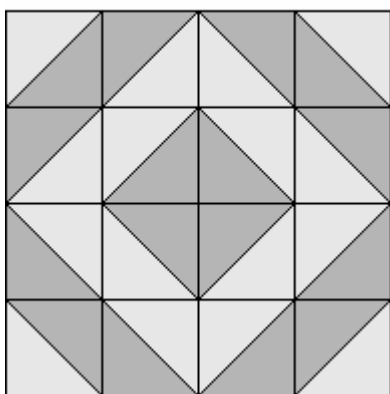
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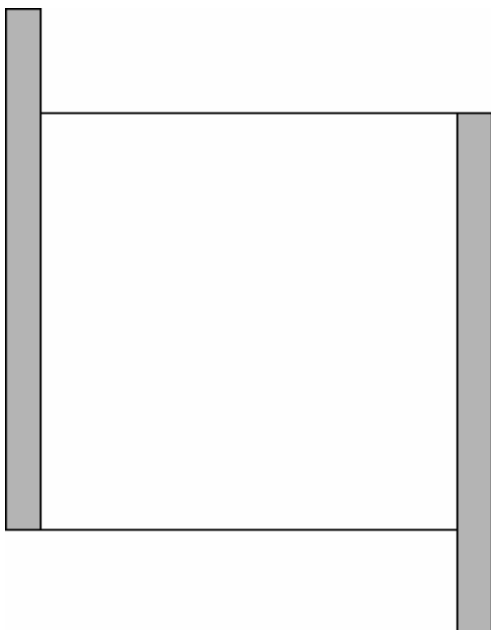


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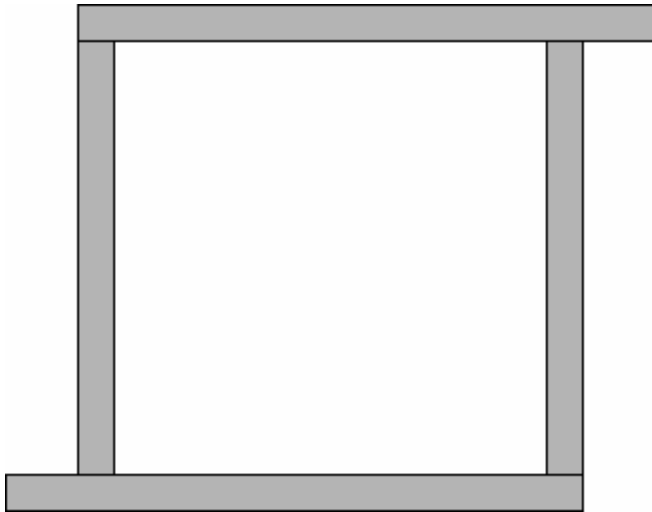


Connecting The Blocks

14. Flip the second vertical row over onto the first vertical row right sides together and matching the right edge. Starting at the top of the row, stack the pairs of pieces from the top to the bottom, with the first pair being the top of your stack. Bring the stack over to your sewing area. Pick up the first pair. Backstitch and sew all the way down the right side. When you reach the end, DO NOT pull the block away or cut the thread. Simply add the next pair on and continue sewing down the right side. Keep adding on pairs until you have reached the end of the pile. Backstitch when you reach the end of the pile. Press seam allowances to one direction, but do not cut the threads joining the pieces.
15. Stack the single blocks in the third vertical row in a pile starting at the top of the row with the first block being the top of your pile. Bring the stack over to your sewing area. Backstitch and sew these to the first 2 rows right sides together, same method as before. Backstitch when you reach the end of the row. Press seam allowances to one direction, but do not cut the threads joining the pieces. Repeat with the forth row.
16. Lay out the quilt and make sure all the blocks are in the correct spot. It's easier to fix it now than later.
17. Flip the top horizontal row over the second horizontal row and sew along the top edge, matching seams, edges and corners. Press. Continue sewing and pressing all horizontal rows until all rows are sewn and everything is in one piece.
18. Take 1 long piece and 1 short piece of the border fabric H and sew them together along one of the short edges as shown below. Repeat 3 more times so you have a total of 4 of these pieces.



19. Sew the long border pieces to the side edges of the quilt right sides together. Press seam allowances toward the border.
20. Trim the excess border fabric to make it straight and even with the rest of the quilt.



21. Sew the border to the top and bottom of the quilt right sides together. Press seam allowances toward the border.

22. Trim the excess border fabric to make it straight and even with the rest of the quilt. Your finished quilt top should be approximately 64" x 64".

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