

Patches of Cherries

54 inches square

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This cheerful quilt is easily made using scrap strips, several fat quarters or a Jelly Roll.

It sews up quickly, but has plenty of visual interest.



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Fabric Requirements

- 14 - 2.5 by 20 inch strips dark (1/2 yard total fabric)
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- 1 yard contrast for inner border and binding
- 2 yards focus print
- 60 inches of 60 inch wide plush fabric for backing or
- 3 3/8 yard of 42/44 inch wide fabric (will need to be seamed to make back)

(Requirements are generous)

Cutting Instructions

- 14 - 2.5 by 20 inch strips dark
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- 3 - 8.5 inch strips focus, cut into 12 total 8.5 inch squares
- 11 - 2.5 inch strips contrast (5 for inner border, 6 for binding)
- 6 - 6.5 inch strips focus for outer border

Sewing Instructions

1. Sew dark and light strips together into pairs. Press seam allowance toward dark fabric.
2. Sew pairs into sets of four. Press seam allowance toward dark fabric.
3. Cut each strip set into 2.5 inch segments. You will need a total of 52 segments. (You will have enough strips for more than this, just in case you have cutting problems).
4. Sew 4 segments together to make 1 block. Your block should measure 8.5 inches (unfinished).
5. Sew blocks and alternate focus fabric squares together into rows, alternating pieced blocks with focus squares. Make sure that the pieced blocks are all oriented properly with a dark square in the upper left hand corner. See photograph for layout.
6. Sew rows together to create the interior of the quilt top.
7. Add your inner border to the quilt top. You will need to seam strips together for the top and bottom borders. I like to use a diagonal seam.
8. Add your outer border. You will need to seam strips together for all 4 borders.

Make sure you measure your quilt through the center (and not along the edges) and cut your border pieces to size.

Quilt, bind and enjoy!