

Diamonds Galore Quilt Pattern by Letha Kunkel 2021

Finished Top Size Without Borders:

48" x 64" (48 blocks). Six blocks wide x eight blocks long.

Fabric Requirements:

Twelve Fat Quarters or $\frac{1}{4}$ yard pieces of fabric. Use prints. Fat Quarters need to be 18" wide; $\frac{1}{4}$ yard pieces must be at least 9" wide. $1\frac{1}{2}$ yards complementing fabric; solid or muted print. Can get by with $1\frac{3}{8}$ yard if fabric is 42" wide.

Cutting Instructions:

From each fat quarter or $\frac{1}{4}$ yard piece cut 4 squares 9" x 9" for a total of 48 squares. From the complementing fabric cut 96 $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.



Assembly:

1. Create Half Square Triangle units:

- Place two different 9" squares right sides together (one print one solid or muted.) (Fig. 1)
- Draw a diagonal line down the center of the fabric on top (this is your cutting line.) Pin the fabrics together.
- Sew a diagonal line of stitching on both sides of the cutting line using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. (Fig. 2)
- Cut along cutting line to create two $8\frac{1}{2}$ " half square triangles. Press seam towards darker fabric. (Fig. 3)
- Continue this process to create 48 $8\frac{1}{2}$ " half square triangles. (Fig. 4)

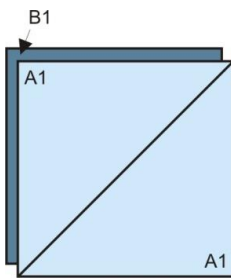


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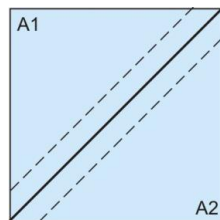


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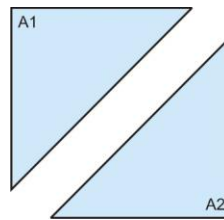


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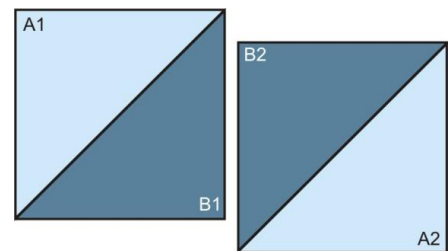


Figure 4

2. Add Snowball Corners to Half Square Triangle units

- Mark a diagonal line down the center of the reverse side of each $4\frac{1}{2}$ " complementing square. This is your stitching line.
- Place a $4\frac{1}{2}$ " complementing square on one corner of a $8\frac{1}{2}$ " HST square; right sides together. The HST corner should not have a seam. (Fig. 5)

- Sew a line of stitching on the line marked on the 4½” complementing square. Sew another line of stitching ½” from the seam sewn in the previous step. This line of stitching should be made to the right of the first stitching. (Fig. 6)
- Cut between the two seams. (Fig. 7) Press the seam open. (Fig. 8)
- The second stitch line will create a 3½” HST square that can be used in a future project. (Fig. 9) The 3½” HST squares will need to be “trued up.”
- Repeat the above process to add a snowball corner to the other corner of the 8½” HST lacking a seam. (Fig. 10)
- Repeat for each of the other 8½” HST squares
- You will now have 48 8½” blocks with two snowball corners and 96 3½” HST squares.

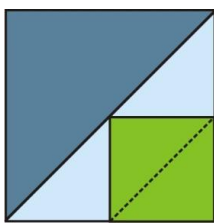


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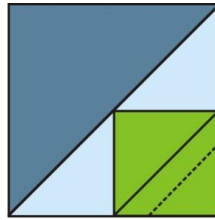


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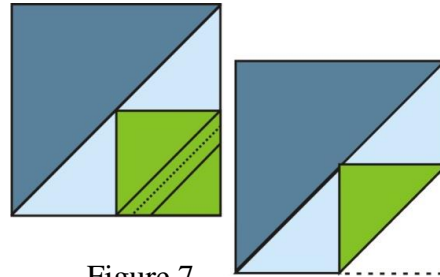


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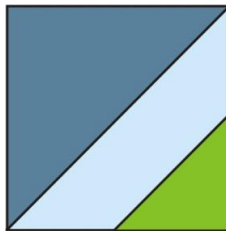


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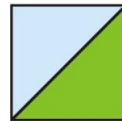


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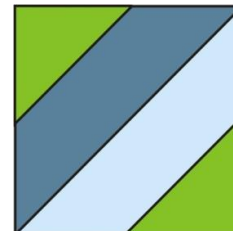


Figure 10

3. Top Assembly

- Arrange the blocks in your desired pattern. Sew blocks together. One possible layout is shown in the above photo

4. Admire your beautiful creation!

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