

"I Spy" Quilt Instructions

Finished size: 38" x 47.5"

This quilt consists of (20) 9-1/2" finished blocks using "fun" fabrics, or you can "fussy" cut from bigger pieces of fabric. There are no borders on this quilt.

General quilting notes:

1. Read through the entire pattern instructions. We do try to make the instructions clear and straight-forward. However, if you have any questions, please ask for clarification.
2. Follow common practice piecing/quilting techniques. Need help? Guild members are always happy to share their expertise and knowledge with fellow members.
3. All seams allowances are 1/4".
4. Press seams toward the darker fabric to ensure they are flat. Or alternate pressing the seams so you can "nest" them. This will help to reduce bulk at intersections.



Cutting Directions

1. From the "fun" fabric, cut (20) 6" squares.
2. From the sashing fabric, cut (2) 6" x 2-1/2" and (2) 10" x 2-1/2" strips for each block.

Block Sewing Directions

1. Sew the 6" x 2-1/2" sashing strips on the left and right sides of the 6" square. Press seams toward the darker fabric.
2. Next, sew the 10" x 2-1/2" sashing strips to the top and bottom of the block. Press seams to the darker fabric.
3. Trim the block as needed to form a 10" square block.
4. Repeat until you have (20) blocks.

Assembly

1. Arrange your (20) 10" blocks in 5 rows x 4 columns in a pleasing configuration. (*NOTE: Match direction of characters on fabric as needed.*)
2. Sew the top 4 blocks together to form a row. Press seams toward one direction.
3. Repeat for the remaining rows. Alternate pressing the seams in opposite direction (you will then be able to "nest" the seams)
4. Sew the 5 rows together to form a pieced top.
5. Remove all loose threads from the back side of the pieced top.
6. Cut the backing and batting bigger than the pieced top. If you need to piece together fabrics for the backing, do that now. Press seams open.
7. Make the quilt sandwich by stacking the backing, batting, and the pieced top. Baste as needed.
8. Quilt the sandwich using your best efforts and techniques.
9. Square the quilt as needed.
10. Prepare your binding and sew to the quilt.
11. Attach a label to the back of the quilt.
12. Trim all loose threads and remove all basting pins.

Congratulations! You have just completed a comfort quilt that will brighten someone's life.