

Building Blocks

35" x 40"

Technique: Quilt-As-You-Go

Fabric Requirements:

Blocks:

Fabric A – ½ yard

Fabric C – ½ yard

Fabric E – ½ yard

Fabric B – ½ yard

Fabric D – ½ yard

Front Sashing: 1/3 yard

Back Sashing: ½ yard

Binding: 1/3 yard

OR 1 yard of the same fabric for front & back sashing and binding

Batting:

16" x 108" or the equivalent (Note: 8" x 3", 5", 7", 9", 11" needed for blocks)

Cutting Requirements:

Blocks: 2 – 8" strips from Fabric A, B, C, D and E;

Cut 3", 5", 7", 9" and 11" segment from each strip

Front Sashing: 8 – 1 ¼" strips;

Cut 4 strips into 8" segments (a total of 20 – 1 ¼" x 8" pieces)

Cut 4 strips to measure 1 ¼" x 35" (Note: each row should measure 35" however, you may want to wait on this step and cut to your row length)

Back Sashing: 8 – 1 ¾" strips

Cut 20 - 8" segments (1 ¾" x 8")

Cut 4 - 1 ¾" x 35" (Note: each row should measure 35" however, you may want to wait on this step and cut to your row length)

Binding: 4 – 2 ½" x WOF

Batting: 5 – 8" x 3", 5 – 8" x 5", 5 – 8" x 7", 5 – 8" x 9", 5 – 8" x 11"

Quilt Construction:

Prepare Back Sashing Strips

Fold each back sashing strip in half with wrong sides together and press. (Note: pieces should now be 7/8" wide)

Prepare Blocks

Fabric A, B, C, D and E each have a quilted 8" x 3", 8" x 5", 8" x 7", 8" x 9" and 8" x 11" block. Make a "quilt sandwich" and quilt as desired for each pair of blocks.

Join Blocks into Rows

Important: All rows are 8" x ____"

Block Layout

Row 1: 3" Fabric A, 5" Fabric B, 7" Fabric C, 9" Fabric D and 11" Fabric E

Row 2: 7" Fabric D, 9" Fabric E, 11" Fabric A, 3" Fabric B and 5" Fabric C

Row 3: 11" Fabric B, 3" Fabric C, 5" Fabric D, 7" Fabric F and 9" Fabric A

Row 4: 5" Fabric E, 7" Fabric A, 9" Fabric B, 11" Fabric C and 3" Fabric D

Row 5: 9" Fabric C, 11" Fabric D, 3" Fabric E, 5" Fabric A and 7" Fabric B

Use 1/4" seam when joining blocks/rows to sashing.

Increase stitch length to length you use when quilting. On my machine it is 3.5

1. Stitch front and back sashing to the 1st four blocks in each row
 - a. Front and back sashing will be stitched to the block all in one step, layered as follows:
Back sashing strip (folded edge facing the center of block) – Block - Front sashing strip right-sides together.
2. Press the front sashing away from the block.
3. Stich the front sashing to neighboring block (block 1 to 2, block 2 to 3, block 3 to 4 and block 4 to 5) to complete row.
4. Turn row over and press the back sashing toward the neighboring blocks, covering the both seam allowances. Note: The sashing strip will be slightly wider.
5. Pin sashing to block; placing pin horizontal to block/sashing.
6. Turn row over and stitch 1/8" along the right edge of each front sashing strip. This will secure the back sashing to the blocks.
7. Optional: Stitch 1/8" along the opposite side. This step is not necessary for the integrity of the piece however, it does provide a uniform appearance.

Join Rows to Complete Quilt

Stitch rows together following the steps above.

Note: It is helpful to stitch in sections and then stitch sections together.

Stitch rows 1 and 2 together.

Stitch rows 3 and 4 together.

Stitch row 5 to completed row 3 & 4 section.

Stitch row 1 & 2 section to row 3, 4 & 5 section.

Finishing

Apply binding using your preferred technique.

Congratulations!!
Your quilt is complete ☺