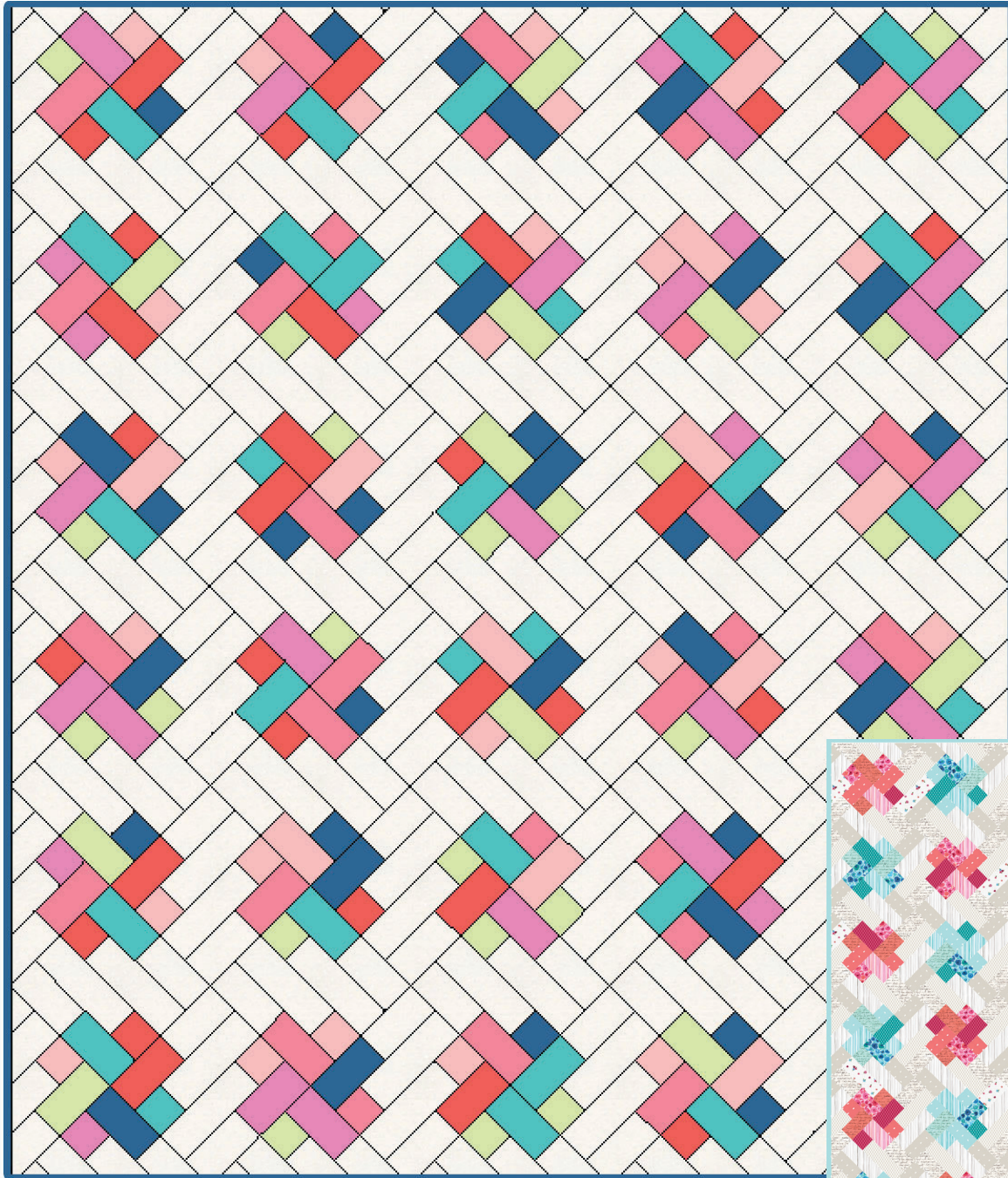


Kisses Quilt

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A SCRAPPY STRIP QUILT
SIZE 56" X 68"



TWO-TONE
QUILT OPTION



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FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

- 34 strips of background fabric, 2 1/2" x WOF (2 1/2 yards)
- 20 strips of print fabric 2 1/2" x WOF (1 1/2 yards total) print fabric
- 4 yards of backing fabric
- 1/2 yard of fabric for the binding

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES

- Quilt batting, 64" x 76"
- Basic sewing, pressing, and rotary cutting supplies

Option: To make a two-toned Kisses quilt with half of the 'X's one color and half a different color, choose fabrics from 2 color families for your print strips. You will need 10 strips in one color family and 10 strips in a different color family. Cut the print strips as directed in step 2 below, keeping each color family separate.

In my two-toned quilt example, I also used many different low volume fabrics for my background instead of solid white.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut the background fabric into 34 strips, each 2 1/2" x width of fabric (WOF).

From 20 of the strips, sub-cut:

- 120 pieces 2 1/2" x 6 1/2"

From 14 of the strips, sub-cut:

- 120 pieces 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"

3. Cut 7 binding strips 2 1/2" x 42".

2. Cut the print fabric into 20 strips, each 2 1/2" x WOF.

From each strip, sub-cut:

- 6 pieces 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"
- 6 pieces 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

MAKE 60 BLOCKS

Use a 1/4" seam allowance. Group all pieces by size and background or print (if making a two-toned quilt, also group by color family). Choose print fabric pieces at random.

1. Select 1 background strip 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" and 1 print square 2 1/2" x 2 1/2".
2. Sew the 2 strips together as seen at right to make Unit A. Repeat to make 120 of Unit A.
3. Select 1 background strip 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" and 1 print strip 2 1/2" x 4 1/2".
4. Sew the 2 pieces together as seen at right to make Unit B. Repeat to make 120 of Unit B.



5. Select one Unit A and one Unit B and sew together as seen at right. Repeat to make 120 of Unit C.

If you are making a two-tone quilt, the two print pieces in each Unit C should be in the same color family.



6. Select two Unit C's and sew together as seen at right to make 60 blocks.



If you are making a two-tone quilt, arrange each block the same, with one color family in the top right and one color family in the bottom left, as seen in the block at right.



MAKE TRIANGLE PIECES

1. Select 11 blocks.
2. Cut each block in half diagonally as seen at right. Cut through the background fabrics only.



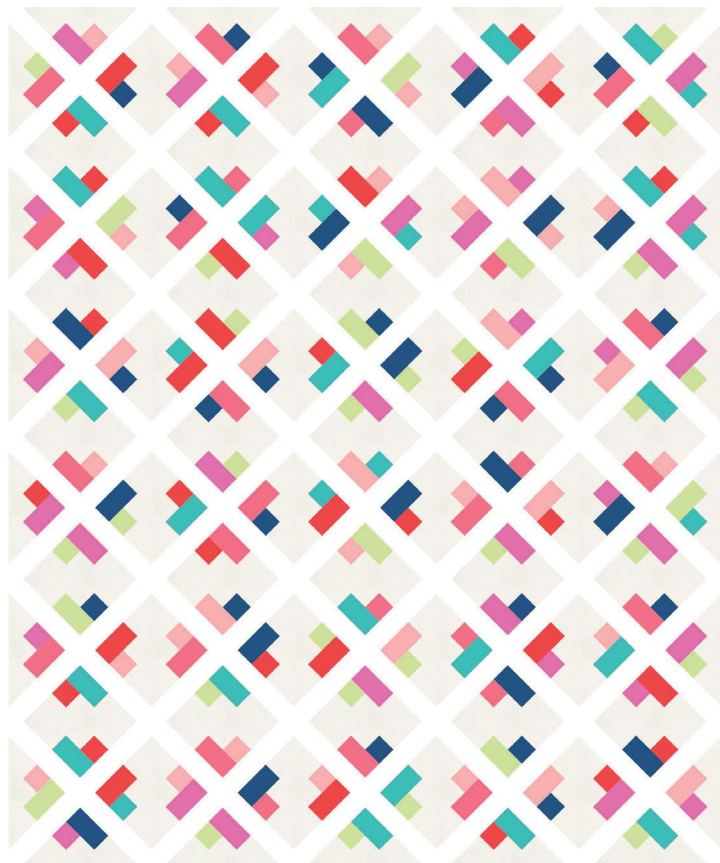
ASSEMBLE THE KISSES QUILT

Use a ¼" seam allowance.

1. Arrange the square blocks in diagonal rows as shown in the Quilt Assembly Diagram (or the Two-Toned Quilt Assembly Diagram below).
2. Place the triangle pieces along the edges.
3. Sew the blocks and triangle pieces together in diagonal rows. When sewing a triangle piece to a block, align the square corners and start sewing there. The triangles are a bit smaller than the blocks.
4. Sew the rows together to finish the quilt top. Trim the edges to square the quilt if necessary.

FINISHING

1. Cut the backing fabric in half and piece together to make a backing piece at least 64" x 76".
2. Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Baste together.
3. Quilt as desired.
4. Sew the 7 binding strips together and bind the quilt.



Quilt Assembly Diagram



Two-Toned Quilt Assembly Diagram