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## **TILTED SQUARES BLENDER QUILT**

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**Quilt measures:  
48" x 54" (122cm x 137cm)**

**INTERMEDIATE**

### **WHAT YOU'LL NEED:**

- Fabrics are from 'Blender' range in 12 colours – amethyst, aqua green, black, bubblegum, ink blue, natural, navy, pineapple, ruby red, silver, tangerine, turquoise
- 20cm each of 12 Star blender fabrics
- 30cm each of 12 Spot blender fabrics (includes binding)
- 40cm each of 12 Plain blender fabrics
- 1.4m x 250cm wide Backing fabric of choice
- 1.4m Sew Easy double-sided fusible, cotton/bamboo batting
- Matching Gutermann 100% cotton thread
- 4½" square ruler
- 6½" square ruler
- Fiskars 14" rotating cutting mat
- Rotary cutter, mat & quilters rulers
- Quilting pins, tape measure
- Scissors, seam ripper
- Hand needle
- Sewing machine with ¼" foot & walking foot

All fabrics should be 100% cotton, washed & pressed.  
¼" seam allowance used throughout unless otherwise indicated.  
*Read all instructions carefully before commencing the quilt.*

## CUTTING

All strips are cut across the width of fabric unless otherwise stated.

- From each of 12 star bender fabrics cut 1 x 2½" strip (12 strips in total); crosscut each strip into 6 x 2½" squares for a total of 72 x 2½" squares, 6 squares in each colour.
- From each of 12 spot bender fabrics cut 3 x 2½" strips (36 strips in total); crosscut strips into 12 x 2½" squares in each colour (144 x 2½" squares in total), and 12, 2½" x 6½" strips in each colour (144 strips in total).
- From each of 12 plain bender fabrics cut 5 x 2½" strips (60 strips in total); crosscut strips into 12, 2½" x 4½" strips in each colour (144 strips in total), and 12, 2½" x 8½" strips in each colour (144 strips in total).
- Cut 6 x 2½" strips from remaining spot blender fabric for binding.

## BLOCKS

1. Take a 2½" star square and 2 x 2½" spot squares of the same colour. Sew one spot square to each side of the star fabric. Press seams towards spot squares (Image 1).
  2. Sew one 2½" x 6½" spot strip, same colour as squares in step 1 to remaining sides of the star square. Press seams towards strips. (Image 2).
  3. Place step 2 in the centre of the Fiskars rotating mat, position 4½" square ruler on an angle on top. Hold the ruler in place and cut out the square rotating the mat as you go. This creates a 4½" square (Image 3).
  4. Sew one 2½" x 4½" plain blender strip, to the sides with the seams of the block from step 3. Press seams towards strips. Sew same colour 2½" x 8½" plain blender strip to remaining sides. Press seams towards strips. (Image 4).
  5. Place step 4 in the centre of the Fiskars rotating mat, position 6½" square ruler on an angle on top. Hold the ruler in place and cut out the square rotating the mat as you go. This creates a 6½" square (Image 5).
- Repeat steps 1-4 to make a total of 72 x 6½" squares.
- To create interest – mix and match fabric colours and change the angle of the 4½" and 6½" rulers.

## QUILT TOP

6. Arrange the blocks into 9 rows with 8 blocks in each row.  
**Tip** – to make sewing blocks and row together alternate the turn the blocks so that a side with seams will be sewn to a side without (refer to insert).
7. Fuse batting between quilt top and backing or layer the backing, batting and quilt top and baste together. Quilt as desired.
8. Join the 6 x 2½" binding strips on the bias to make one long strip. Press in half lengthwise and bind mitering corners. Attach a label or sign and date your quilt.