## SPOTLGHT

## LIFE IS BETTER WITH A CAT QUILT

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PROJECT SHEET


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## INTERMEDIATE

## QUILT MEASURES:

$451 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 521 / 2^{\prime \prime}(116 \mathrm{~cm} \times 134 \mathrm{~cm})$

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Fabrics are from 'Life is Better with a Cat' range
- 50 cm Fabric A - Frames, Multi
- 50 cm Fabric B - Patch, Multi
- 1m Fabric C - Tossed, Aqua
-70cm Fabric D - Word, Black
- 90 cm Fabric E - Packed, Multi (includes binding)
- $1.3 \mathrm{~m} \times 250 \mathrm{~cm}$ wide Backing fabric of choice
- 1.3 m Legacy cotton/bamboo batting
- Matching Gutermann 100\% cotton thread
- Rotary cutter, mat \& quilters rulers
- Quilting pins, tape measure
- Scissors, seam ripper
- Hand needle
- Clear Template Plastic
- Frixion marker
- Sewing machine with $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ foot \& walking foot

All fabrics should be 100\% cotton, washed \& pressed.
$1 / 4$ " seam allowance used throughout unless otherwise indicated.

Read all instructions carefully before commencing the quilt.

TEMPLATE Using template plastic make a 4" square template.

## CUTTING

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

- From Fabric A use the 4" square template to Fussy cut $24 \times 4$ " squares of the cat faces, 3 of each design.
- From Fabric B use the 4" square template to Fussy cut $18 \times 4$ " squares of cat patches, moving the template to get a variety of squares.
- From Fabric C cut $7 \times 31 / 4$ " strips; crosscut strips into $31 / 4$ " squares for a total of $84 \times 31 / 4$ " squares, then cut each square once on the diagonal to make 168 half-square triangles.
- From Fabric D cut $5 \times 41 / 4$ " strips; crosscut strips into $41 / 4$ " squares for a total of $48 \times$ $41 / 4$ " squares, then cut each square once on the diagonal to make 96 half-square triangles.
- From Fabric E cut $4 \times 4 \frac{1}{4}$ " strips; crosscut strips into $41 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares for a total of $36 \times 41 / 4$ " squares, then cut each square once on the diagonal to make 72 half-square triangles.
- From Fabric C cut $6 \times 21 / 4$ " strips for border.
- From Fabric D cut $6 \times 21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips for binding.


## INSTRUCTIONS

BLOCK A uses $24 \times 4$ " Fabric A squares, 96 Fabric C half-square triangles \& 96 Fabric D half-square triangles.
Step 1 - Sew the long side of a Fabric C half-square triangle to one side of a Fabric A square and press seam towards triangle. Sew another Fabric C half-square triangle to the opposite side of the square, press seam towards triangle. Sew Fabric $C$ half-square triangles to the remaining two sides and press seams towards the triangles.

Step 2 - Sew the long side of a Fabric D half-square triangle to one side Step 1 and press seam towards triangle. Sew another Fabric D half-square triangle to the opposite side of the square, press seam
towards triangle. Sew Fabric D half-square triangles to the remaining two sides and press seams towards the triangles. This completes Block A.

Step 3 - Repeat Steps 1 and 2 to make a total of 24 Block A.

BLOCK B uses $18 \times 4$ " Fabric B squares, 72
Fabric C half-square triangles \& 72 Fabric E half-square triangles.

Step 4 - As in Step 1 sew Fabric C halfsquare triangles to Fabric B squares. Then as in Step 2 sew Fabric E half-square triangles to the finished C - B square to make a total of 18 Block B.

## QUILT TOP

Step 5 - Refer to layout diagram for block placement or if preferred arrange blocks as desired.

| A | B | A | A | B | A |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | A | B | B | A | B |
| A | B | A | A | B | A |
| B | A | A | A | A | B |
| A | B | A | A | B | A |
| B | A | B | B | A | B |
| A | B | A | A | B | A |

Step 6 - Sew blocks together in each row matching seams. Press seams in one direction alternating the direction in each row.

Step 7 - Sew rows together matching seams. Press seams in one direction.

## BORDERS

Step 8 - Take the $6 \times 2 \frac{1}{4}$ " Fabric C border strips, cut 2 in half and sew one half to the end of each of the remaining 4 strips, pressing seam open.
Step 9 - Sew one strip to each side of the quilt top, press seams towards border and trim off excess fabric.

Step 10 - Sew remaining strips to top and bottom edges, press seams towards border and trim off excess fabric.

TO FINISH
Step 11 - Layer the backing, batting and quilt top and baste together. Quilt as desired.

Step 12 - Join the $6 \times 21 / 2$ " 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.

