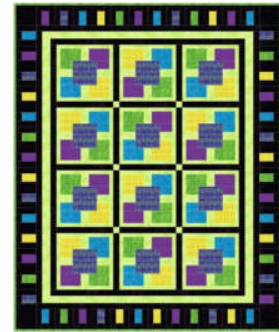
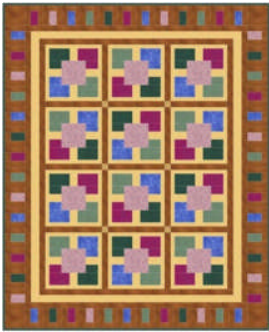


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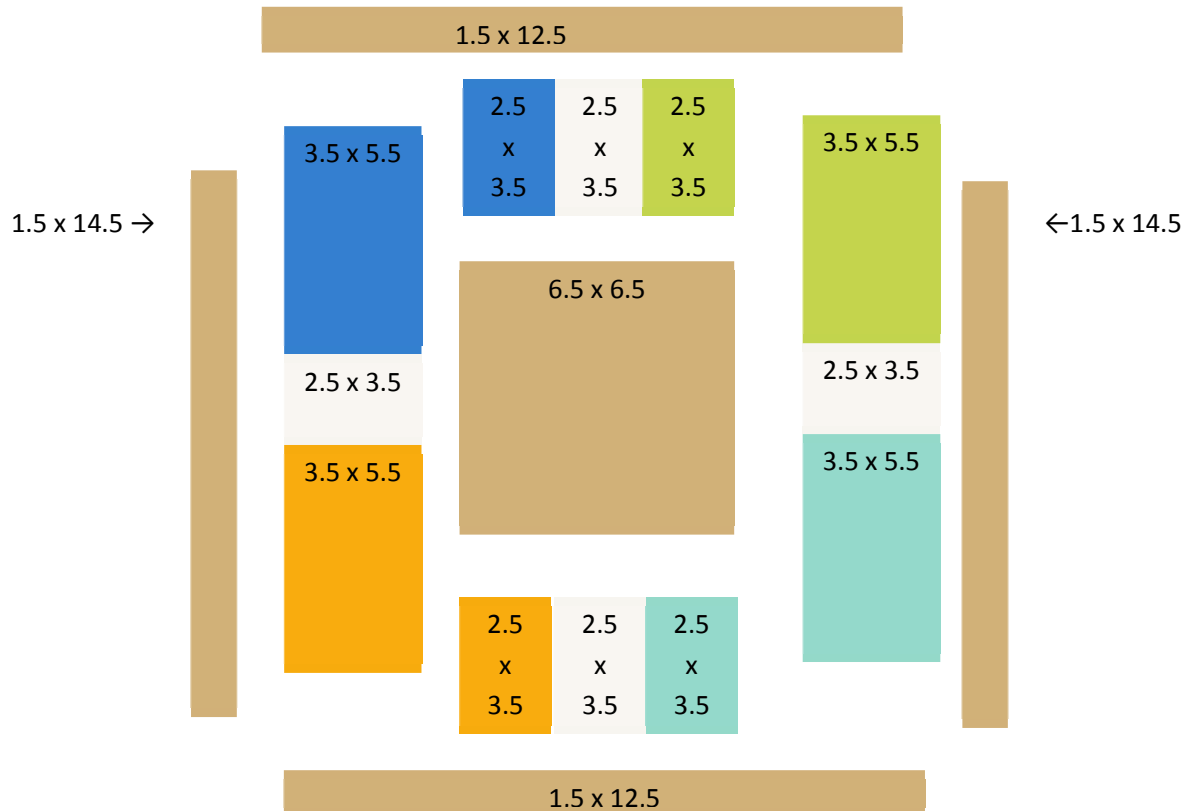
Five Square Pattern

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Instructions will be given to cut one block and then for the border/sashing sizes as shown. This quilt finishes 65" x 80" excluding binding. Use scant quarter inch seam allowance throughout.

Five Square Block: You will need five "colored" fabrics and a background fabric. In the block shown from the center quilt design above, I used the print fabric in the framing around the block. The other two quilts above use the background fabric for the frame.



Cut your pieces the sizes indicated above in the layout of the block from your chosen fabrics and stitch the groupings together in this order:

Stitch the three 2.5 x 3.5" sections shown above the center 6.5" square to each other. None of the seam lines in this block meet another so you can press them in any direction you like. Join the section just pieced to top of center 6.5" square.

Stitch the three 2.5 x 3.5" sections shown below the center square in the image above to each other and add to bottom of 6.5" block.

Stitch the background 2.5" x 3.5" section between the 3.5" x 5.5" pieces for both the groupings shown on the left side of the block and on the right side of the block. Stitch these sections to the left and right of the 6.5" center block.

Join the 1.5 x 12.5" pieces to top and bottom and then add 1.5 x 14.5" pieces to left and right.

Repeat to make the number of blocks you would like in your project.

### Sashings and Borders:

Cut Seventeen sashing pieces 2.0" x 14.5". Cornerstones in sashing are Six 2.0" squares. Lay out your blocks in four rows of three blocks each, turning the blocks as shown in the quilt diagram (a larger diagram of the quilt layout is shown on the yardage requirements pages). Join a sashing strip between each of the blocks in the horizontal row. Join three sashing pieces and two cornerstones end to end and use this to join each horizontal row of sashed blocks to the row below it.

1<sup>st</sup> Border (Background fabric): Make two strips 2.0" x 61" and stitch to left and right of quilt. Make two strips 2.0" x 48.5" and stitch to top and bottom.

2<sup>nd</sup> Border (Print fabric): Make two strips 2.5" x 64" and stitch to left and right. Make two strips 2.25" x 52.5" and stitch to top and bottom.

3<sup>rd</sup> Border (Background fabric): Make two strips 2.0" x 67.5" and stitch to left and right. Make two strips 2.0" x 55" and stitch to top and bottom.

Pieced Border: You will need a total of Fifty 2.5" x 4.0" "colored" rectangles and Fifty 2.5" x 2.0" background rectangles. Stitch a background rectangle to the top of each "colored" rectangle. (You can use alternating colors as shown in the quilt layout, make them all one color or whatever else strikes your fancy.)

From background fabric cut Forty-six 3.5" x 5.5" pieces and Eight 2.0" x 5.5" pieces. Also cut Four 5.5" corner squares.

Layout top border pieces starting with a colored rectangle section, laying out Eleven colored rectangles with a 3.5" x 5.5" background piece between each one. A 2.0" x 5.5" piece gets attached to the outside edge of the colored rectangles at the left and right edge of border strip and then attach a 5.5" corner square to each end of strip. Repeat with same number of pieces to make bottom border and set these aside.

Lay out remaining pieces to make two side borders alternating colored rectangle sections and large background rectangles with a small background rectangle at the outermost edge of the border strip. Stitch these sections to left and right of quilt and then add top and bottom border sections.

Layer, quilt, bind and enjoy!

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