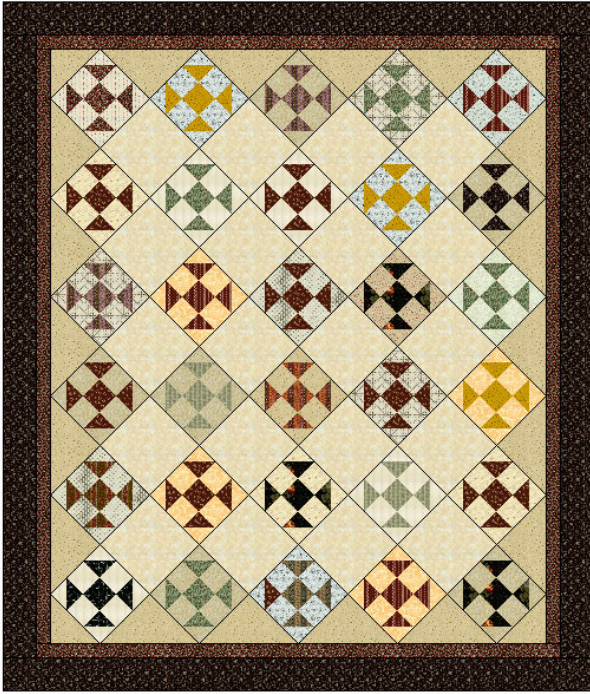


Shoo Fly Quilt

76" x 88"



Make a Shoo Fly Block using 2 fabrics from your stash, a print and a background. Then repeat the process until you have 30 blocks. Add setting squares all from uniform neutral fabric and outer setting and corner triangles from another uniform fabric. An inner border of 1 3/4" and an outer border of 4 1/4" (finished sizes) complete this wonderful "on-point" twin sized quilt.

There are various methods to construct the HST's (half square triangles) in this block. If you are using fabric from your stash as I have, I suggest cutting 3 1/2" strips. This works well without any waste because the 3 1/2" squares can be cut from the strips as well as the HST's if you use an "Easy Angle Ruler." A warning though, you will be sewing the HST's together on bias edges. You will want to "pin" them together to avoid stretching during sewing. If you are not a "pinner," you might want to use the traditional method of adding 3/8" (cutting 3 7/8" squares), drawing a diagonal line on the back side and sewing a scant 1/4" on each side of the diagonal line before cutting the HST's apart and pressing. Use what works best for your skill level.

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

1 3/4 yds various neutrals	Block Backgrounds
3 1/2" x 12" strips various prints or 1 1/4 yds various print	Block Feature
1 1/2 yds neutral print	Setting Triangles
1 1/2 yds neutral print	Outer Setting & Corner Triangles
5/8 yd	Inner Border
2 yds	Outer Border & Binding
2 3/8 yds x 96" or 84" x 96"	Batting
2 3/8 yds x 96"	Backing
or 5 1/3 yds X 42" (pieced vertically)	

CUTTING FOR 1 BLOCK

From Neutral block background fabric, cut a 3 1/2" strip. Subcut:

(4) 3 1/2" squares



(4) 3 1/2" Easy Angle HST's



From Print fabric, cut a 3 1/2" strip. Subcut:

(1) 3 1/2" Squares

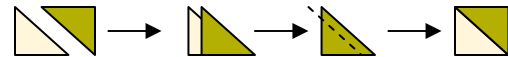


(4) Easy Angle HST's

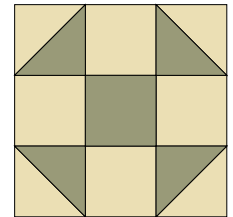


SEWING FOR 1 BLOCK

Pair neutral and print HST's RST and pin. Sew together on bias edge. "Set" seam with a warm iron and press seam allowance to the print fabric. You should have (4) HST's measuring 3 1/2" each. Trim dog ears.



Join HST's and squares in three rows to look like the block illustration. Press seams to the background fabric in this case. Then join the three rows to complete the block.



QUILT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make 30 Shoo Fly Blocks as described.
2. For Inner Setting Squares, cut 5 strips, 9 1/2" x WOF. Subcut (20) 9 1/2" squares.
3. For Outer Setting Triangles, cut 3 strips, 16" x WOF. Subcut (5) 16" squares. Cut each square in half diagonally twice.
4. For Corner Setting Triangles, cut (2) 9" x 9" squares. Cut each in half diagonally once.
5. Arrange all blocks and setting triangles. Sew units together in diagonal rows.
6. Square quilt body leaving a 1/4" seam allowance.
7. Cut and add Side and Top/Bottom Borders. Cut 8 strips 2 1/4" x WOF. Join end-to-end with bias seams, press open. Measure quilt vertically through the middle. Cut (2) side inner borders to this measurement and sew to quilt. Press seams toward border. Measure quilt horizontally and cut top and bottom inner borders to this measurement and sew to quilt.
8. Repeat the process for the Outer Border, however cut 9 strips 4 3/4" x WOF.
9. For Binding, cut 9 strips, 3" x WOF. Join with bias seams, press open. Place RST with quilt. Mitering corners, sew together with a scant 1/2" seam allowance and a walking foot. Turn to the back and hand stitch in place.