

Shattered Squares

Featuring the Twin Peaks Technique

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Materials: 42"-wide fabric

34 strips, 3 1/2" x 20" of assorted bright prints
1 1/4 yards of light background
1 3/8 yards of border fabric
1/2 yard of binding fabric
3 1/4 yards of backing fabric

Cutting

Please read all the directions before starting.

From the light background fabric, cut:

- ◆ 9 strips, 4 1/4" x 42"; crosscut strips into 80 squares, 4 1/4" x 4 1/4".

From the border fabric, cut:

- ◆ 6 strips, 5 3/4" x 42".

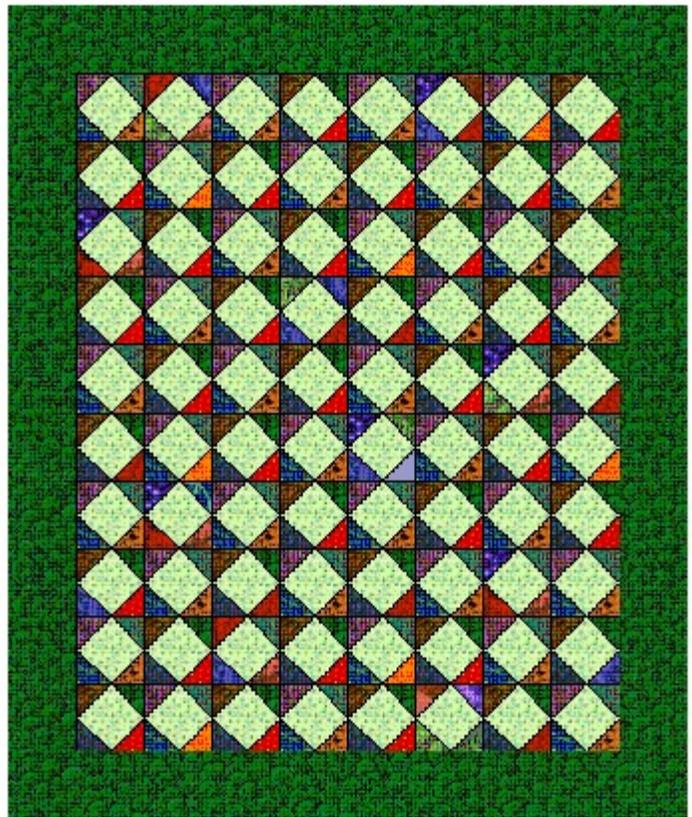
From the binding fabric, cut:

- ◆ 6 strips, 2 1/4" x 42".

Piecing

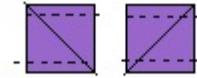
Before sewing, test your seam allowance by sewing together three strips 1 1/2" x 5". They should equal 3 1/2". Adjust seam allowance, if necessary.

1. With two bright strips right sides together, and ends staggered about 8", sew the 3 1/2" strips together. When you reach the end of a strip, simply butt another up to it, whether it is on the top or the bottom. Sew ALL the 3 1/2" strips together into one long staggered strip set. Then flip the strip set over and sew along the other edge to make one long tube. Press.



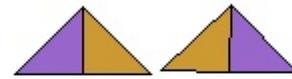
Finished quilt top: 53" x 64"

- Cut the strip set into 3 1/2" squares, cutting each square once diagonally as you work across the strip. Trim any section that spans a seam to 3 1/2" too. Use a seam ripper to remove the end sections and then cut the loose squares diagonally. You will need a total of 32 loose triangles. Make 144 Twin Peak units.



Cut 32.

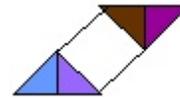
Make 144.



Alternate diagonal cuts.

Tip From each 20" strip you should be able to cut 5 squares: 2 from one print combination and 3 from another print combination. Alternate the direction of each diagonal cut to make at least one pair of mirror image Twin Peak units and mix up the colors a little.

- Sew a Twin Peaks unit to opposite sides of a light background square. Make 64 parallelogram units.



Make 64.

- Sew together a Twin Peaks unit, one background square and two loose triangles as shown. Make 16 end of row units.

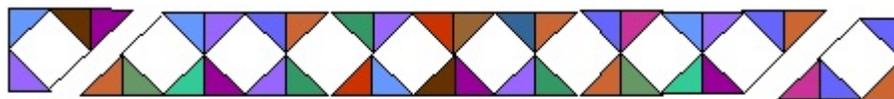


Make 16 end units.

- Sew parallelogram units together into pairs, then join pairs into sets of four. Do not press until final placement in the quilt is determined.

Tip After sewing units into sets of four, I like to arrange the partial rows on the flannel wall to be sure I distribute the color evenly.

- Continue to sew two sets of four parallelogram units together and adding an end of row unit to each end. Make 8 rows each with 10 light background squares. Then press seam allowances in opposite directions from row to row. Sew the rows together. Press.



Make 8 rows.

- Add the border.
- Baste, quilt and bind as usual.

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