

LITTLE GENIUS QUILT

Done in a day

Fabric

10 fat quarters, mix of dark and light

Borders

Inner - cut 5 - 2 1/2" strips

Outer - cut 6 - 3 1/2" strips

Binding

Cut 6 - 2 1/2" strips

Finishes 50" x 66"



Instructions

- ✎ Press each fat quarter.
- ✎ Cut **four** 9" x 9" squares from each fat quarter. Total blocks 40.
- ✎ Make **five** stacks of **eight** different fabrics on top of each other matching up the corners and alternating **darks** with **light** blocks.
- ✎ Make one random cut parallel to the edge through all eight layers.
- ✎ Take the top layer from the right side and put it on the bottom of the stack.
- ✎ Sew one left piece and right piece with right sides together.
- ✎ Press to the dark side
- ✎ Take the same stack of eight blocks and line up the corners and make another cut, this time parallel with the bottom.

- ✎ Take the top **three** layers from the right side and put it on the bottom of the stack.
- ✎ Sew one top piece and bottom piece with right sides together.
- ✎ Press.
- ✎ Repeat with the other 39 blocks, making 10 stacks of four, for a total of 40 blocks
- ✎ Layout blocks in 7 rows of 5. Reorganize blocks until you have a balanced layout.
Note: you will have five blocks left over. Use them on the back. ✎ Sew rows of 5 blocks together
- ✎ Sew rows together.

Borders.

- ✎ Cut five 2½" strips.
- ✎ Before making the strips as directed, measure you quilt top to verify dimensions.
- ✎ Make 2 strips 45 " x 2 ½ " and 2 strips 56 ½ " x 2 ½ "
- ✎ Sew the 48 ½" strips along the long sides of the quilt top
- ✎ Sew the 45" strips to the top and bottom of the quilt top
- ✎ Use the 3 ½" strips for the outer border.
- ✎ Make 2 strips 60 ½" x 3 ½" and 2 strips 51" x 3 ½".

Quilt and Bind

- ✎ Incorporate any leftover fabric and/or the extra blocks in making your backing.

From the remaining striped fabric cut five 2 ½" strips for the binding. Quilt and bind quilt using your preferred method.

