

Bright Ideas

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Finished Size: 51 1/2" x 63 1/2"



Fabric from the "Bright Ideas" and "Tokyo" collections for Red Rooster Fabrics.

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

Bright Ideas:

- ❖ One Fat Quarter of each of the following
for large pinwheels:
 - Pattern #14465 PIN1
 - Pattern #14463 WHI1
 - Pattern #14462 LTGRE1
 - Pattern #14464 RED1
 - Pattern #14461 YEL1
 - Pattern #14467 BLA1
- ❖ 2 Yards Pattern #14464 GRE1 for outer border
- ❖ 3³/₈ Yards Pattern #14461 BLA1 for backing
(with horizontal seam)
- ❖ 3/4 Yard Pattern #14462 BLA1 for bias binding

Tokyo:

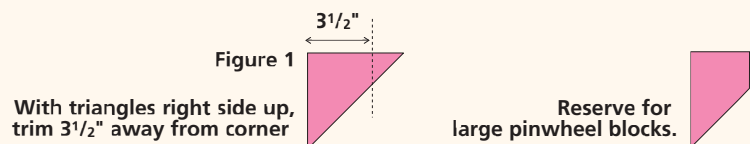
- ❖ 1/8 Yard of each of the following
for small pinwheels & accents for large pinwheels:
 - Pattern #12615 YEL1
 - Pattern #12615 BRGRE1
 - Pattern #12615 ORA1
 - Pattern #12615 LTPIN1
 - Pattern #12615 KIW1
- ❖ 2¹/₈ Yards Pattern #12615 BLA1 for background
- ❖ Batting: 58" x 70"



CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

A. Bright Ideas Collection:

1. From each fat quarter
 - a. Cut each fat quarter into four 5³/₈" squares. Cut each square in half once on the diagonal to yield two triangles from each square. With right sides up, cut off one point from each triangle, 3¹/₂" from the corner, as shown in *Figure 1*. Cut off the same point from each triangle. Label "A". Reserve for the large pinwheel blocks.
2. Pattern #14464 GRE1
 - a. Cut four strips, 5¹/₄" x length of fabric, cutting identical stripe motifs for each strip. Reserve for the outer border.
3. Pattern #14462 BLA1
 - a. Cut as many 2¹/₂" bias strips as needed to equal 244". Reserve for binding.

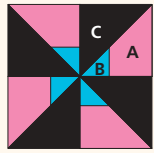


B. Tokyo Collection:

1. Pattern #12615 YEL1, #12615 BRGRE1, #12615 ORA1, #12615 LTPIN1 and #12615 KIW1:
 - a. Cut one 2³/₈" x 42" strip from each fabric. Crosscut each strip into eight 2³/₈" squares. Label "D". Reserve for the small pinwheel blocks.
 - b. Trim the remainder of each 2³/₈" strip to measure 2¹/₄"-wide. Crosscut a total of twelve pairs of 2¹/₄" squares from the five fabrics for a total of twenty-four squares. Cut each square in half once on the diagonal. Label "B". Reserve for large pinwheel blocks.
2. Pattern #12615 BLA1:
 - a. Cut three 2³/₈" x 42" strips. Crosscut into forty 2³/₈" squares. Label "E". Reserve for small pinwheel blocks.
 - b. Cut four 5³/₈" x 42" strips. Crosscut into twenty-four 5³/₈" squares. Cut each square in half once on the diagonal. Label "C". Reserve for the large pinwheel blocks.
 - c. Cut eight 3¹/₂" x 42" strips. Crosscut into thirty-one 3¹/₂" x 9¹/₂" rectangles for sashing.

d. Cut five 2" x 42" strips for the inner border.

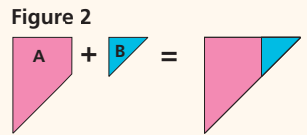
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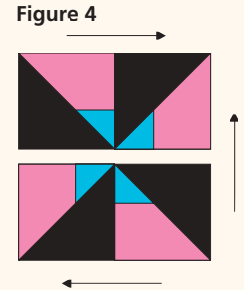
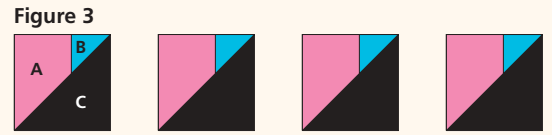
A. Large Pinwheels:

Finished Block Size is 9" square. Make 12.

1. Sew a "B" triangle to an "A" (trimmed) triangle as shown in *Figure 2*. Press toward "A". Make four "A/B" units, from the same fabrics, for each pinwheel.
2. Sew a "C" triangle to each of the "A/B" units (*Figure 3*). Press toward "C".
3. Sew the four "A/B/C" units together to complete a large pinwheel block (*Figure 4*). Press seams in direction of arrows. Make a total of twelve large pinwheels blocks in various fabric combinations.



Make 4 the same for each large pinwheel block.



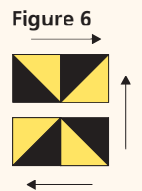
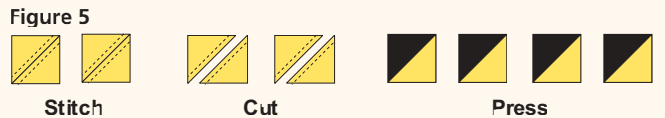
Make 12 large pinwheel blocks.



B. Small Pinwheel Blocks (for cornerstones):

Finished Block Size is 3" square. Make 20.

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each of the "D" squares.
2. Pair two "D" squares with two "E" squares. Place squares right sides together.
3. Stitch 1/4" to each side of the drawn line (*Figure 5*). Cut on the drawn line. Press toward "E".
4. Sew the four "D/E" units together to complete the small pinwheel blocks. Press in direction of arrows (*Figure 6*). Repeat to make twenty small pinwheel blocks.



ASSEMBLY:

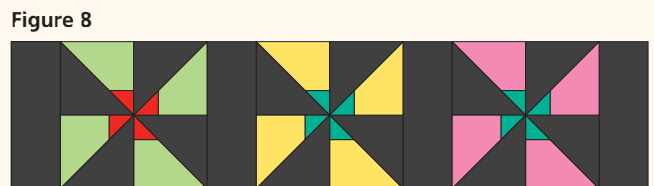
- Referring to the quilt diagram, arrange the large pinwheel blocks, small pinwheel blocks and sashing strips on a design wall, distributing colors as desired.
- Stitch five sashing rows together, beginning and ending with a small pinwheel block (*Figure 7*). Press toward the sashing.
- Stitch four block rows together, beginning and ending with a sashing strip. Press toward the sashing strips (*Figure 8*).
- Stitch rows together, alternating sashing rows and block rows, matching seams. Press toward the sashing rows.



Make 5 sashing rows

E. Inner border:

1. Stitch the five 2" x 42" black inner border strips together end to end. Press seams open.
2. Measure the length of the quilt down the middle. From the joined 2" strips, make two cuts equal to the length of the quilt for the side inner borders. Stitch to the sides of the quilt. Press toward the strips.



Make 4 block rows.

3. Measure the quilt from side to side. From the remainder of the joined 2" strips, make two cuts equal to the width of the quilt for the top and bottom inner borders. Stitch to the top and bottom of the quilt. Press toward the strips.

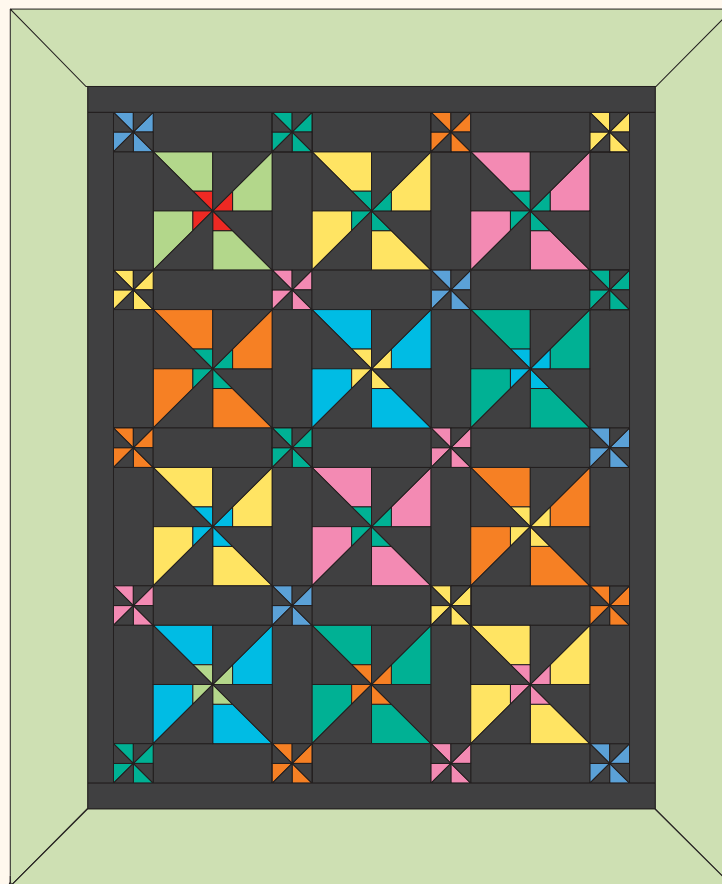
F. Outer Border:

1. Sew outer border strips to the quilt, mitering corners.



FINISHING:

- A. Prepare backing with a horizontal seam to measure 58" x 70".
- B. Layer quilt backing, batting and quilt top. Baste layers together.
- D. Quilt as desired.
- E. Join binding strips with diagonal seams. Press seams open. Bind quilt using your favorite method.
- F. Make a label and stitch to the back of the quilt.



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