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Finished quilt: aprox. 64" x 64" ©2021 Riley Blake Designs. Fabric: I'd Rather Be Playing Chess by Tara Reed for Riley Blake Designs

## INSTRUCTIONS

Please read through all the directions first before starting and assume ¼" seam allowance. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated. Press all seams in the direction of the arrows on the diagrams. Yardage is based on a 42" width of fabric.

WOF: Width of Fabric LOF: Length of Fabric RST: Right Sides Together HST: Half-Square Triangle SNF: Stitch and Flip

This quilt pattern is a beginner level quilt pattern. Basic knowledge of quilt piecing techniques and terminology is required. Please visit our website at <u>www.rileyblakedesigns.com/pattern-updates</u> to check for any updates before beginning this project. Have fun!

### FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

- 1 I'd Rather Be Playing Chess Panel (P11264-PANEL)
- 1 yard Off White Chess Pieces (C11260-OFFWHITE)
- 1/2 yard Red Chess Pieces (C11260-RED)
- ¾ yard Off White Varnish (C11263-OFFWHITE)
- ¾ yard Gray Stripe (C11262-GRAY)
- 1/2 yard Red Checkerboard (C11261-RED)
- 1<sup>\*</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yards Black Varnish (C11263-BLACK) (includes <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard for binding)

## **CUTTING DIRECTIONS**

**Note:** Please take note of cutting direction of strips, either WOF or LOF.

### I'd Rather Be Playing Chess Panel

Fussy cut (4) 18" squares.





**Chess Pieces Off White** Cut (6) 5" x WOF strips



Varnish Black Cut (10) 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares (A)

Cut (20) 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" rectangles (B) Inner Border: Cut (6) 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x WOF strips Binding: Cut (7) 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" X WOF strips



**Chess Pieces Red** Cut (10) 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares (C)



**Varnish Off-White** Cut (10) 5<sup>\*</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares (D)

Sub cut each square on the diagonal once



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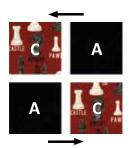
**Stripe Gray** Cut (20) 2¾" x 10½" rectangles (E)



**Checkerboard Red** Cut (20) 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares (F)

## ASSEMBLE THE SQUARE-IN-A-SQUARE BLOCK

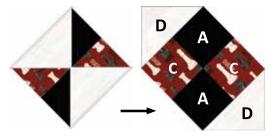
1. Pin and sew an A-square to a C-square. Repeat in the opposite direction with a C-square to an A-square as shown. Press seams to the darker fabric.



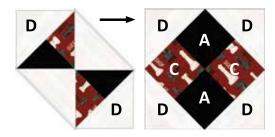
2. Pin and sew both AC-units together making sure to pin at the intersecting seam. The seams will nest together nicely as they are both pressed in opposite directions. Press the seam in one direction. Unit should measure 7¾" x 7¾" square.



3. Next take (2) D-triangles, center and pin them on opposite sides of the AC-unit. Sew along both edges as shown. Flip the triangles open and press the seams. Trim off the dog ears (the triangle edge that extends past the square).



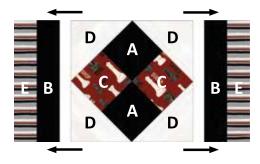
 Repeat the center, pin, sew, trim and press of the remaining (2) D-triangles. The Square-in-a-Square unit should measure 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" square. Set aside.



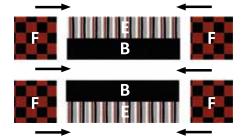
5. Pin and sew an E-rectangle to a B-rectangle and press seams to the darker fabric. Make 4.



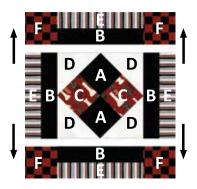
 Take 2 BE-rectangles and pin and sew them to either side of the Square-in-a-Square unit as shown. Note the (black) B-rectangles are both touching the inside of the block.



7. Take the remaining (2) BE-rectangles and sew an F-square on each end of both rectangles as shown. Press seams.



 Pin and sew the final rectangle units to the top and bottom of the Square-in-a-Square unit as show. Press seams away from the center. The Square-in-a-Square block should measure 18" x 18" square.



9. Repeat this process (4) more times to make a total of (5) Square-in-a-Square blocks. Set aside.



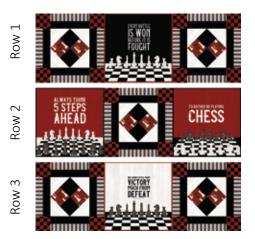
### QUILT CENTER

Refer to the quilt layout diagram for block placement.

Sew together 2 Square-in-a-Square blocks, alternating with one panel square, for the first and third rows.

For the second row, sew together 2 panel squares, alternating with one Square-in-a-Square block.

Sew the rows together to complete the quilt center.



#### BORDERS

Sew side borders first. Seam allowances vary so measure through the center of the quilt before cutting borders.Press seam allowances towards the borders.

#### Border 1

Side borders should be 1%" x 53". Top and bottom borders should be 1%" x 55".

#### Border 2

Side borders should be 5" x 55". Top and bottom borders should be 5" x 64".

Finish quilt by layering the quilt top, batting and back. Bind with the Blue Pawsome strips. Enjoy and share your quilt using the hashtags #idratherbeplayingchessfabric #checkmatequilt #rileyblakedesigns #iloverileyblake.

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## QUILT LAYOUT



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