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A 10" Square Project | Finished Size: 54" x 63"



A Free Quilt Pattern from Shelley Cavanna of Cora's Quilts

Overview

The first blooms of spring come together in a flash in this "one-block-wonder" quilt!

Please be sure to read through the entire pattern before beginning your project, sew with a ¼" seam, and press each seam after sewing. Seams can be pressed open, or as directed by the arrows in the assembly diagrams, as desired.

The fabrics used in our sample are prints from Shelley's Secret Garden fabric collection with Benartex fabrics. View the whole collection at <u>www.CorasQuilts.com/snow-fall.</u>



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Materials

Yardage is based 40"-wide fabric All measurements include 1/4"-wide seam allowances.

Label your pieces as you cut. The assembly diagrams refer to each piece by the letter that follows the dimensions. Find free printable letter and number labels at: <u>www.CorasQuilts.com/freebies</u>.

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- 42 Assorted 10" x 10" Squares
- Background Fabric: 3 1/8 yards Filagree in Cloud (13521-08)
- Binding Fabric: 5⁄8 yard Amaryllis in Navy (17043-59)
- Batting: 62" x 71" piece
- 40"-wide Backing Fabric: 3 ½ yards

Cutting Instructions



10" x 10" square cutting guide

From each of 42 - 10" x 10" squares, cut:

1 - 4 ¹/₂" x 10" strip, cut into 2 - 4 ¹/₂" squares **{A}** 2 - 2" x 10" strips, cut into 8 - 2" squares **{B**}

From the background fabric, cut:

9 - 3 ½" x WOF strips, cut into 168 - 3 ½" x 2" rectangles **{C}** 23 - 2 ⁵/₈" x WOF strips, cut into 336 - 2 ³/₈" squares **{D}** 9 - 2" x 40" strips, cut into 168 - 2" squares **{E}**

From the binding fabric cut:

7 - 2 ¹/₂" x 40" strips for binding

Symbols & Terms

WOF = Width of Fabric



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Part 1: Assembling the Block Quadrants

Use a matching set of two A squares and eight B squares to make four matching quadrant units as follows.

1. Sew an E square to the left side of a B square and press. Then, join a C rectangle to the top and press. **Make 4.**



- Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of 8 - D squares.
- 3. Pin 2 marked D squares right-sidestogether to opposite corners of an A square, making sure to carefully line up the corners as shown.

Sew a scant ¼" seam along both sides of the marked line. Then, cut the unit in half along the marked line and carefully press the units on both halves towards D.

Repeat with the remaining A and D squares to make a total of **4 units.**







4. Pin a marked D square right-sides-together to the largest corner of a unit from step 3 as shown, being careful to line up the corners.

Sew a scant ¼" seam along both sides of the marked line. Then, cut the unit in half along the marked line and carefully press each unit towards D.

Repeat with the remaining units from step 3 to make a total of **8 flying geese units.**



 Center and trim each unit from step 4 to 3 ¹/₂" x 2", being careful to keep the ¹/₄" seam allowance at the tip of the block.



3 ½" x 2"

Need help with 4-at-a-time Flying Geese Units?

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Part 1: Assembling the Block Quadrants, Continue

6. Lay out units from steps 1 and 4, along with a B square, in two rows as shown. Sew the squares into rows and press. Then, join the rows together and press, spinning the center seams. **Make 4.**



7. Repeat steps 1 - 6 to make a total of forty-two sets of four matching quadrants.

"Spinning Seams"

Pressing seam allowances in a clockwise or counterclockwise direction will help reduce bulk. To press in this manner, use a seam ripper to remove the stitching above the horizontal seam allowance. From the back of the unit, finger-press the seam allowances in the desired direction. Turn the unit over and press from the front with an iron.



Part 2: Assembling the Blocks

 Lay out four matching units from Part 1. Sew the quadrants together into rows and press. Then, sew the rows together and press, spinning the center seam open. Repeat to make a total of 33 Whole Blocks.



9. Sew together two matching units from Part 1 as shown and press. **Repeat to make a total of 16 Half Blocks.**





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Assembling the Quilt Top

- 10. Arrange the whole and half blocks from steps 8-9, along with the four remaining quadrants from step 7, as shown. When satisfied with the arrangement, sew the blocks together into vertical columns and press seams open to reduce bulk. Then, join the columns together and press.
- 11. Layer backing, batting, and quilt top together; baste and quilt as desired.
- 12. Bind with the remaining 2 ¹/₂" strips. Need help? Visit: <u>www.CorasQuilts.com/tutorials</u>.

