

Quick Amish Style Quilt

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Finished size 53½ x 33" (135 x 85cm)

You need:

For striped band:

One F/Q Light Aqua, Light Teal, Grey,
Light Plum & Turquoise

For plain triangles:

One F/Q Dark Plum & Navy,
Two F/Qs Light Plum

For striped border

One F/Q Light Teal, Turquoise & Dark Plum

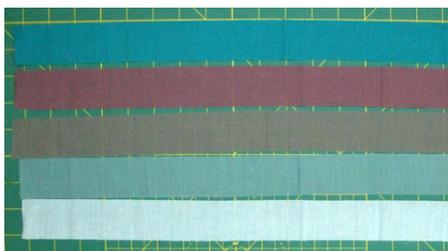
175 x 112cm Backing & Binding

100 x 150cm Wadding

Sew Easy Triangle NL4204

Thread to match fabrics

Seam Allowance: 0.65cm/¼"



1. Take the five F/Q's that you have chosen for the blocks. Stack them in the colour order that you would like to appear in the blocks. Straighten up one long side (approx 22") with your rotary cutter and ruler. From this straight side cut nine sets of strips 1½" wide. Lay each set out in the colour order that you have chosen. Each striped band will be identical.



2. Stitch these sets of strips together using a ¼" S/A. Stitch all nine sets in the same colour order. Press all seams in one direction. *I suggest that you do a test piece first to check that once the strips are stitched together they measure 5½" wide. If not then adjust your S/A.* You should have nine sets of striped bands of fabric.

3. Cut: Two 5½ wide x 22" long Dark Plum strips
Three 5½ wide x 22" long Navy strips.
Four 5½ wide x 22" long Light Plum strips



4. Take two sets of stitched striped bands and place right sides together with the Dark Plum strips. Pin along each long side. Stitch along each long side with ¼" seam to form two tubes. Press both tubes to set the seam. Do NOT turn right side out.

5. In turn place each tube on your cutting mat with the wrong side of the striped band facing up towards you and the Turquoise stripe nearest to you.



6. Place bottom edge of Sew Easy triangle on raw edge of Turquoise strip. The triangle point should just touch raw edge of band on far side. Left corner of template touches left bottom edge of band. Long edge of triangle is lined up with raw edge of Turquoise strip. Using the rotary cutter cut along both sides of the template.

7. Turn triangle so the long edge is on raw edge of Light Aqua strip at top of band and one side of the template is on the recently cut edge. Use the rotary cutter to cut along other side of template. Turn ruler again, cut a third triangle.

8. Unpick the few stitches at the point of each cut triangle. Open shapes to form squares. There are two squares in one colour arrangement and one square in another (see right). Handle squares carefully as they have bias edges.

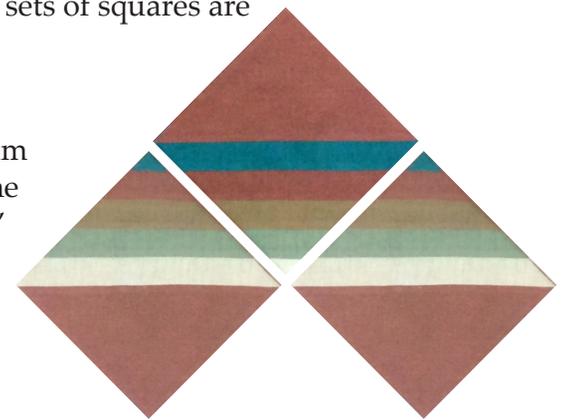
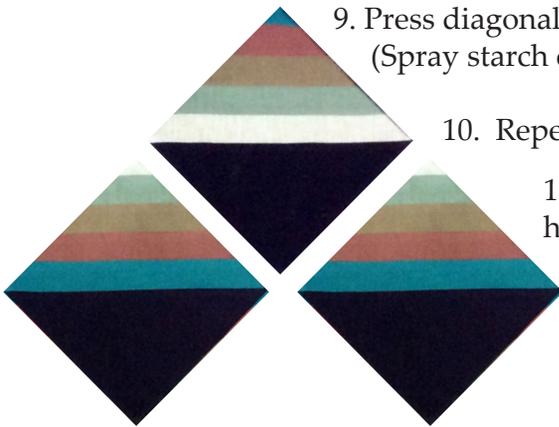


9. Press diagonal seam gently to one side. (Spray starch can help this process.)

10. Repeat Stage 6 - 9 with the other Dark Plum band.

11. Repeat instructions 4 - 9 with the three Navy strips. You will have three sets of squares as shown left.

12. Repeat instructions 4 - 9 with all four Light Plum strips **BUT** place the triangle on striped tube lining up edge of template with Light Aqua strip **first**. Four sets of squares are made as shown on right.



13. You need one more block to complete the arrangement: Cut one Navy and one Light Plum 7½" square. Cut each square on diagonal. Stitch one triangle of each colour together along diagonal (¼" S/A). Press and trim to 7" square.

14. Use picture below as a guide to laying out blocks, or have fun and make your own arrangement.

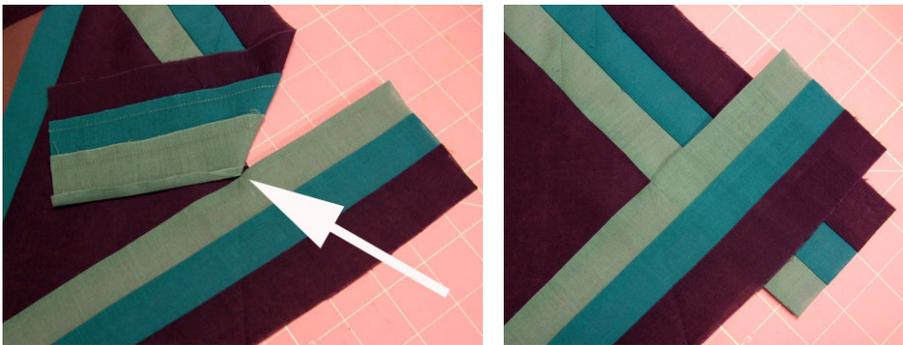


Once you have chosen the pattern, take a picture and/or number the blocks in the order that you will sew.

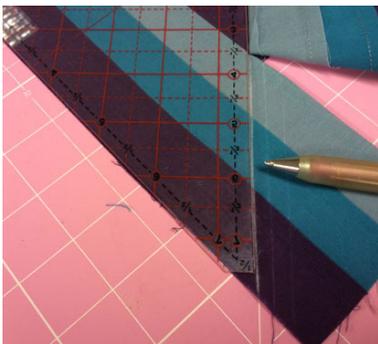
15. Sew the squares together in rows (¼" S/A). Press seams of each row in opposite directions. This way when you stitch the rows together the seams will lock into each other and you will get perfect points.

Striped Border

1. Straighten one long side of each Light Teal, Turquoise and Dark Plum F/Q. Cut ten 1½" wide strips from each colour.
2. Join strips of each colour into one long length. Join these strips on the bias to make the joins less obvious. Trim the excess seam allowance and press seam open.
3. Join all strips together into one very long striped band (¼" S/A). Press seams to one side. Band should measure 3½" wide
4. Measure length of your quilt down the middle. Add 8" to this measurement to allow for mitring corners. Cut two strips this measurement from this very long band.
5. Measure width of your quilt along the middle. Add 8" to this measurement to allow for mitring corners. Cut two more strips this measurement from the very long band. (Measuring length and breadth along the middle of your quilt gives a more accurate measurement than along the sides of your quilt).



6. Centre each striped border along the edges of your quilt. Pin well. Stitch from quarter inch point to quarter inch point in each corner. *It is very important to mark this carefully in order to get good mitres.* Press all four seams towards the border. The borders will overlap at the corners.



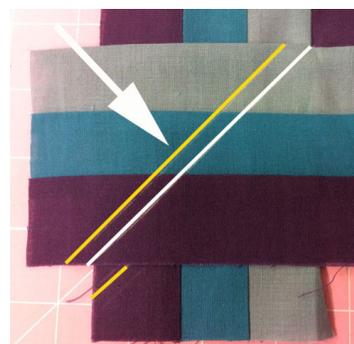
Mitre Corners

1. Place the Sew Easy triangle on one corner of your quilt as shown. The slanting edge of triangle sits on the quarter inch point.

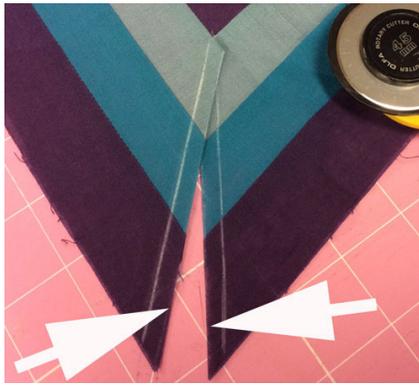
The long edge of the triangle sits on raw edge of outside of border. Chalk in this line.



2. Move the triangle along towards the outer edge and mark ¼" from your first chalked line (see above).



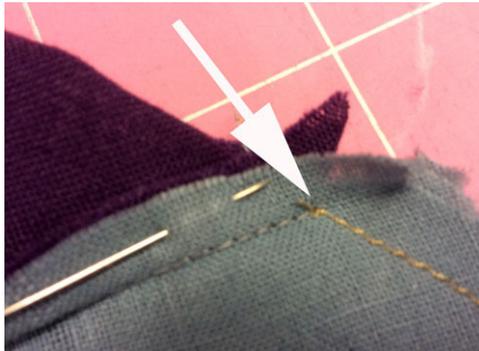
3. Do the mirror image on the other side of the corner checking twice that you have marked it correctly.



Before you cut with your rotary cutter double check that you have done the marking correctly.

3. Cut off the excess on the second chalked lines (marked in yellow) to give a 45° angle that now includes your seam allowance.

4. Fold the corner R/S together, match the seams on the mitre. Pin well.



5. Stitch out from the 1/4" point.

6. Press the seam open.



7. Repeat on the other three corners.

Complete Quilt

1. Layer quilt top with wadding and backing fabric. Spray baste or tack layers together.
2. Quilt in the ditch of the main diagonals of each block. Chalk in the diagonals that run on the opposite direction and quilt them.
3. From remainder of the backing fabric cut six 2 1/4" wide strips. Join strips into one long length with bias joins as above. Press in half along the length.
4. Bind the quilt in your favourite technique using straight cut corners or mitred corners.



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