Simply Joyful

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Featuring

Finished quilt measures: 56" x 56"

Pattern Level: Confident Beginner
“I have basic block construction down and would like to learn a new trick!”
### Fabric and Supplies Needed

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You will also need:
- 1/2 yard Binding Fabric
- 3-1/2 yards Backing Fabric
- 60" x 60" quilt batting

### Notes Before You Begin

- Please read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.
- Width of fabric (WOF) is equal to at least 42" wide.
- Press all seam allowances open after each seam is sewn, unless otherwise noted.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!
Fabrics A-L
- Cut four strips 2-1/2" x WOF from each fabric.

Fabric M
- Cut one square 8-1/2" x 8-1/2".

Assembly Instructions

Make Strip Sets

1. Sew four sets of strips together in the following order:
   - Fabric A (Sunset)
   - Fabric B (Caribbean)
   - Fabric C (Palm)
   - Fabric D (Smoke)
   - Fabric E (Earth)
   - Fabric F (Jewel)
   - Fabric G (Lagoon)
   - Fabric H (Fuchsia)
   - Fabric I (Stone)
   - Fabric J (Grass)
   - Fabric K (Ocean)
   - Fabric L (Bright)

TIP: When sewing strips together, sew seams in alternate directions. This means you will sew the first two strips together from left to right, then sew the third strip from right to left. Continue alternating the direction you sew and your work should end up straight and rectangular.

2. Press all seams toward Fabric A (the first strip).

3. Measure the full width of the strip set after you have sewn and pressed it. It should measure exactly 24-1/2" wide. If it doesn't, I will explain how to handle it in step 4c.

4. Trim the length of each strip set as follows (Trim each strip set separately as this makes them more accurate).
   a. With Fabric A at the top, trim 1" (or slightly more) from the left side so that the edge is square.
   b. The right side will be trimmed to the correct length according to the width of your strip set. If your strip set was a perfect 24-1/2" you will trim the complete strip set to a finished length of 32-1/2".
   OR
   c. If your strip set was NOT a perfect 24-1/2", trim the length of each strip set to 8" more than the width. (For example, if your strip set measured 23-1/2" you would trim the length to 31-1/2").
Assemble the Quilt Top

Join the sections and insert the black center square following these steps.

1. Pin the Fabric M black square aligned with the lower right corner of one strip set (Strip set will be positioned with Fabric A at the top and Fabric K on the bottom.

2. Sew together along the bottom edge leaving the left 2" unsewn. Press seam toward strip set.

3. Sew the second strip set to the right side of this section making sure Fabric A is on the outer edge. Press seam toward strip set.

4. Sew the third strip set to the bottom making sure Fabric A is on the lower edge. Press seam toward strip set.

5. Sew the fourth strip set to the left of the third strip set making sure Fabric A is on the left edge. Press seam toward strip set.

6. Finish sewing lower edge of strip set 1 to top edge of strip set 4 which will then complete the original seam that joins the black square to the first strip set. Press seam toward top strip set.

7. Press completed quilt top.

Assembly Diagram

Your quilt top is complete! Baste, quilt, bind & enjoy.