## EMPIRE

## Designed by Jody Leonardo for RK www.robertkaufman.com <br> Featuring Ax[s? <br> Sun Forest 1.



Finished quilt measures: $69^{\prime \prime} \times 82-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42 " wide.
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## Notes Before You Begin

- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ unless otherwise noted.
- Press seam allowances open unless otherwise noted.
- Width of fabric (WOF) is equal to at least 42" wide.
- Right sides together has been abbreviated to RST.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!


## Cutting Instructions

## From Fabric A, cut:

five 7-1/4" x WOF strips. Subcut:
twenty-one 7-1/4" squarse for the Flying Geese.
eight 5" x WOF strips. Subcut: sixty 5 " squares for the HSTs.

From Fabric B, cut:
one 7-1/4" x WOF strip. Subcut:
one 7-1/4" square for the Flying Geese.
Trim the remainder of the strip to 3-7/8". Subcut:
four 3-7/8" squares for the Flying Geese.
four 3-7/8" squares for the Square-in-a-square Units.
eight 5 " $\times$ WOF strips. Subcut:
sixty 5" squares for the HSTs.
two 2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
forty-two 2" cornerstone squares.
From Fabric C, cut:
four 12-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
seventy-one 2 " $\times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ sashing rectangles.
From Fabric D, cut:
four 4-3/4" x WOF strips. Subcut:
thirty 4-3/4" squares for the Square-in-a-Square Units.
From Fabrics E, J, M, N, Q-S, and U-X, cut:
one 7-1/4" x WOF strip. Subcut:
one 7-1/4" square for the Flying Geese.
Trim the remainder of the strip to 3-7/8". Subcut:
four 3-7/8" squares for the Flying Geese.
four 3-7/8" squares for the Square-in-a-square Units.
From Fabrics F-I, K, L, O, P, and T, cut:
one 7-1/4" x WOF strip. Subcut:
one $7-1 / 4$ " square for the Flying Geese.
Trim the remainder of the strip to 3-7/8". Subcut:
four 3-7/8" squares for the Flying Geese.
one $3-7 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strip. Subcut:
eight 3-7/8" squares for the Square-in-a-square Units.
From the Binding Fabric, cut:
eight 2-1/2" x WOF strips.

## Assemble the Half-Square Triangles (HSTs)

Step 1: Pair a 5 " Fabric A square with a 5 " Fabric B square, RST. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of one square. Sew 1/4" away from both sides of the marked
 line. Cut on the marked line creating two half-square triangles (HSTs). Press toward the darker fabric. Trim to 4-1/2" square. Repeat to make one-hundred and twenty A/B HSTs.

## Assemble the Flying Geese

Step 2: Pin two 3-7/8" Fabric B squares in opposing corners of a 7-1/4" Fabric A square, RST. The squares will overlap slightly in the center of the large square. Using a ruler, draw a diagonal line through the squares.


Step 3: Sew scant 1/4" seam on each side of the diagonal line. Set the seam by pressing it flat. Cut along the diagonal line, creating two identical units.

Step 4: Press the fabric toward smaller triangles. Repeat with the second unit.


Step 5: Place one 3-7/8" Fabric B square at the corner of a sewn block unit. Draw a diagonal line in pencil. Sew a scant 1/4" seam on each side of the diagonal line. Set seam (press). Cut along the diagonal line, creating two identical units.


Step 6: Press the seam toward the smaller triangle.
Trim off small dog ears left by the seam allowance. Trim to 3-1/2" x 6-1/2" if necessary. You will have two A/B Flying Geese
 that can be discarded.

Step 7: Repeat with all remaining 7-1/4" Fabric A squares and 3-7/8" Fabric B-X squares to make:


four A/F Flying Geese


four A/J Flying Geese*


Step 8: Gather one 4-3/4" Fabric D squares, and four Fabric B triangles. Place a triangle on two opposite edges of the square, RST. Sew the triangles in place, then press towards the corners.


Step 9: Place the remaining two triangles on the two remaining edges of the square, then sew them in place. Press towards the corners. Square to 6-1/2", if needed.


Step 10: Repeat with all remaining 4-3/4" Fabric D squares and Fabric B-X triangles to make:

one Fabric J SIAS Unit

one Fabric M SIAS Unit

two Fabric P SIAS Units

one Fabric S SIAS Unit

one Fabric E SIAS Unit

two Fabric H SIAS Units

two Fabric K SIAS Unit

one Fabric N SIAS Unit

one Fabric Q SIAS Unit

two Fabric T SIAS Units

two Fabric F SIAS Units

two Fabric I SIAS Units

two Fabric L SIAS Unit

two Fabric O SIAS Units

one Fabric R SIAS Unit

one Fabric U SIAS Unit

one Fabric V SIAS Unit

one Fabric W SIAS Unit

one Fabric X SIAS Unit

## Assemble the Blocks

Step 11: Gather four A/B HSTs, two A/B Flying Geese, two B/A Flying Geese, and one B SIAS Unit. Arrange the units in three rows of three as shown.


Step 12: Sew the units together to form rows. Press towards the HSTs.


Step 13: Nest the seams and sew the rows together. Press.


Step 14: Repeat with all remaining HSTs, Flying Geese, and SIAS Units to make:

one Fabric E Block

two Fabric F Blocks

two Fabric G Blocks

two Fabric H Blocks

two Fabric K Blocks

one Fabric N Block

one Fabric Q Block

two Fabric T Blocks

one Fabric W Block

two Fabric I Blocks

two Fabric L Blocks

two Fabric O Blocks

one Fabric R Block

one Fabric U Block

one Fabric X Block

one Fabric J Block

one Fabric M Block

two Fabric P Blocks

one Fabric S Block


## Assemble the Quilt

Step 15: Arrange the blocks into six rows of five blocks. Note the block placement in the Quilt Assembly Diagram. Place a sashing rectangle between each block and on the end of each row.

Step 16: Sew the blocks and sashing rectangles together to form rows. Press the seams towards the sashing rectangles.

Step 17: Create horizontal sashing strips by sewing together six cornerstone squares and five sashing rectangles as shown. Press the seams towards the sashing rectangles.

Step 18: Place a horizontal sashing strip between each of the rows and at the top and bottom of the quilt. Sew the rows and horizontal sashing strips together to form the quilt center. Press towards the horizontal sashing rows.


Your quilt top is complete! Baste, quilt, bind, and enjoy!

