## FRENCH BRAID

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Finished quilt measures: 58-1/2" $\times 74-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42 " wide.

| Color | Fabric | Name/SKU | Yardage | Color | Fabric | Name/SKU | Yardage |
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|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RU-907-40 } \\ & \text { SORRENTO* } \end{aligned}$ | one Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19477-133 GOLD | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19475-232 WINEBERRY | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AMD-19475-133 } \\ & \text { GOLD } \end{aligned}$ | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19476-200 <br> VINTAGE | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { AMD-19473-133 } \\ \text { GOLD } \end{gathered}$ | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19473-200 VINTAGE | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19473-15 IVORY | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19475-200 VINTAGE | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19478-21 LILAC | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19477-200 VINTAGE | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19473-14 NATURAL | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19474-133 GOLD | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19477-14 NATURAL | *contained in the Roll-Up |
|  |  | AMD-19474-165 COPPER | *contained in the Roll-Up |  |  | AMD-19476-80 EVENING | *contained in the Roll-Up |

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## Notes Before You Begin

- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are $1 / 4$ " 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 the Roll Up:

Set aside twenty-four assorted strips for strip piecing
From an assortment of the remaining strips, cut a total of:
five $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 9-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the top edge partial blocks five $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the top edge partial blocks
ten $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4-7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the bottom edge partial blocks ten $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the bottom edge partial blocks

## From Fabric A, cut:

twelve 2-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then set aside for the Border 1 strips and column sashing

From Fabric B, cut:
sixteen 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then set aside for the column sashing

## From Fabric C, cut:

six 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then set aside for the Border 2 strips
From Fabric D, cut:
seven 3-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then set aside for the Border 3 strips
From the Binding Fabric, cut:
seven 2-1/2" x WOF strips

Assemble the Strip Set Units
Step 1: Sew four strips together along the longest edge to form a strip set. Press. Repeat to make six strip sets using various fabrics. Tip: Choose fabrics that vary in hue and value from the strips that are directly next to each other. Example: avoid sewing two darker purple strips next to each other.


Step 2: Cut the strip set into $8-1 / 2$ " square units, for a total of twenty-six squares.


Step 3: Cut thirteen of the squares in half from upper left to lower right.


Step 4: Cut thirteen of the squares in half from upper right to lower left.
Tip: Handle the completed Step 3 and Step 4 units carefully to avoid warping the bias edges.


Assemble the Partial Blocks

## Step 5: Gather:

one 2-1/2" $\times 9-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle
one $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle
Fold each rectangle in half to find the center of the long edge and finger
 press to form a crease.

Step 6: Align the creased mid-points and sew the two units together, as shown. The shorter piece will be centered along the length of the longer piece. Press. Repeat to make five units like this. These will be the top edge partial blocks. Note: They will be trimmed into triangles later during assembly.

## Step 7: Gather:

two 2-1/2" x 4-7/8" rectangles
two $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
Step 8: Sew together, as shown, alining along one edge. Press. Repeat to make five units like this. These will be the bottom edge partial blocks. Note: They will be trimmed into triangles later during assembly.



Step 9: Gather:
five triangles from Step 3
five triangles from Step 4
one top edge partial block
one bottom edge partial block
Sew together to form a column, aiming to stitch the center seam at the midpoint of the long edge of each triangle unit, as shown.

Sew the partial blocks in place where indicated. Repeat to make five columns.

Step 10: Trim each column to 62-3/4" in length, trimming the partial block units as indicated.

Step 11: Trim ten 62-3/4" Fabric B strips (adjust this length to be what your columns measure, if they are shorter than 62-3/4"). Handling the pieced columns carefully to avoid stretching the bias edges, sew the B strips to the left and right edges of the five columns. Press.



Step 12: Trim six 62-3/4" Fabric A strips. Sew the quilt center together by alternating Fabric A strips and completed Step 11 units. Press.

Step 13: Measure the width of the quilt through the center. Cut two top/bottom Border 1 strips to this width. Sew the borders to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press toward the border.

Step 14: Measure the length of the quilt through the center. Cut two Fabric C Border 2 strips to this length. Sew the borders to the sides of the quilt center. Press toward the border. Measure the width of the quilt through the center. Cut two Fabric C Border 2 strips to this width. Sew the borders to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press toward the border.

Step 15: Measure the length of the quilt through the center. Cut two Fabric D Border 3 strips to this length. Sew the borders to the sides of the quilt center. Press toward the border. Measure the width of the quilt through the center. Cut two Fabric D Border 3 strips to this width. Sew the borders to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press toward the border.

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

