

# Parachute

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Featuring **KONA**<sup>®</sup>  
cotton solids  
**30<sup>TH</sup>**  
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Finished project measures 78" x 82"

Pattern Level: Confident Beginner

"I have basic block construction down  
and would like to learn a new trick!"

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F A B R I C S

## Fabric and Supplies Needed

Color	Fabric	Name/SKU	Yardage	Color	Fabric	Name/SKU	Yardage				
	Kona Classics	Kona Classics Palette Roll-Up (RU-228-41)	1 roll-up		Kona New Bright	Kona New Bright Palette (RU-231-41)	1 roll-up				
	Kona New Dusty	Kona New Dusty Palette (RU-229-41)	1 roll-up		Kona New Dark	Kona New Dark Palette (RU-232-41)	1 roll-up				
	Kona New Pastel	Kona New Pastel Palette (RU-230-41)	1 roll-up	You will also need: 5 yards Backing Fabric 2/3 yard Binding Fabric 90" x 86" Quilt Batting Kona Color Card (Optional)							

This quilt started with inspiration from a men's button down shirt. The quilt took on a life of its own and now it reminds me of the colorful parachutes that I used to play with as a child in gym class.

I have included the specific colors I used for each strip in the original quilt, but feel free to play with the color palette of your choice.  
Use pre-cuts or cut your own fabric strips from your stash.

### Notes Before You Begin

- Please 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.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!

### Cutting Instructions

- Kona Roll-up strips are used throughout this pattern. Each strip measures 2-1/2" wide and the length is cut as you go. If you would like to precut the strips, you will need:

**Block 1:** Ten strips 2-1/2" x 18-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 2:** Twenty strips 2-1/2" x 20-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 3:** Ten strips 2-1/2" x 24-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 4:** Nine strips 2-1/2" x 40-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 5:** Twenty strips 2-1/2" x 40-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 6:** Twelve strips 2-1/2" x 40-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 7:** Nine strips 2-1/2" x 18-1/2" in variety of colors.

**Block 8:** Twenty strips 2-1/2" x 18-1/2" in a variety of colors.

**Block 9:** Nine strips 2-1/2" x 24-1/2" in a variety of colors.

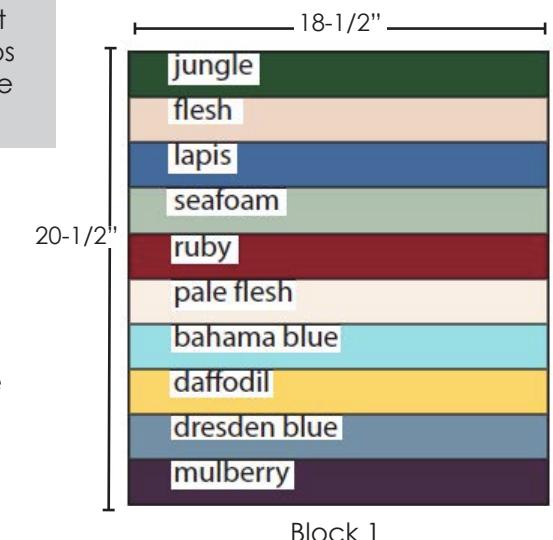
Tip: Cut the strips 1/2" or more longer than indicated and then trim the block to size after they are sewn together.

## Assembly Instructions

**Tip:** When working with strips, there is a tendency for the fabric to bow and form an arc rather than a straight line. To help avoid this, cut the strips to lengths as directed in each section, then sew the strips together into pairs. Once the pairs are made and pressed, pin the pairs together, sew, press, repeat as needed.

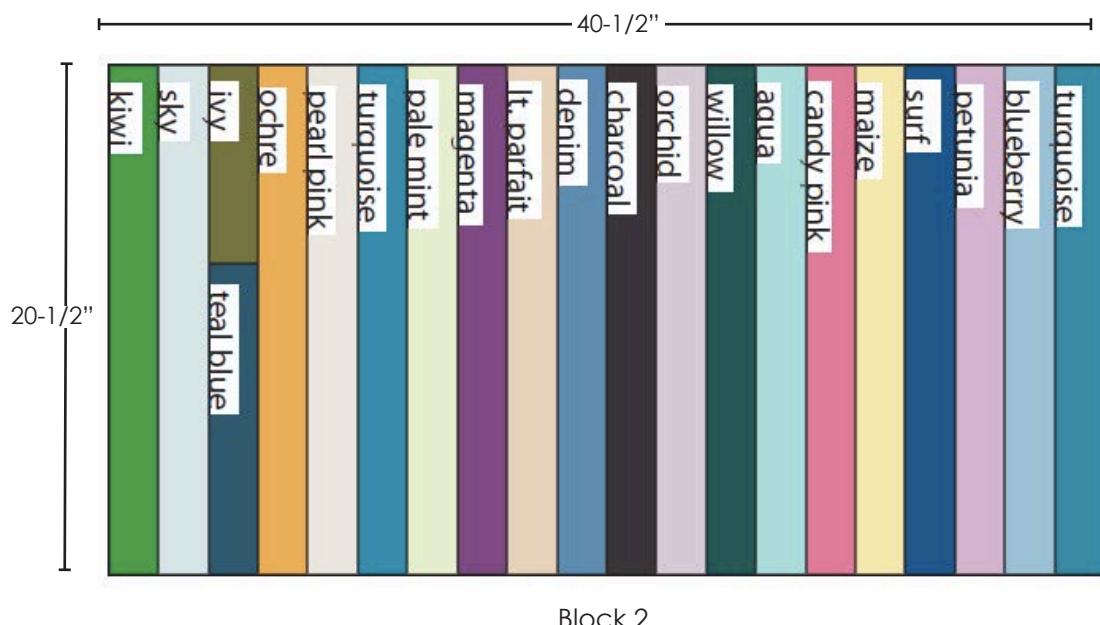
### STEP 1

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram. Refer to the Kona color card as needed to identify the colors.
- Cut each strip 18-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, always toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 18-1/2" wide x 20-1/2" high when pieced together. Label as Block 1.



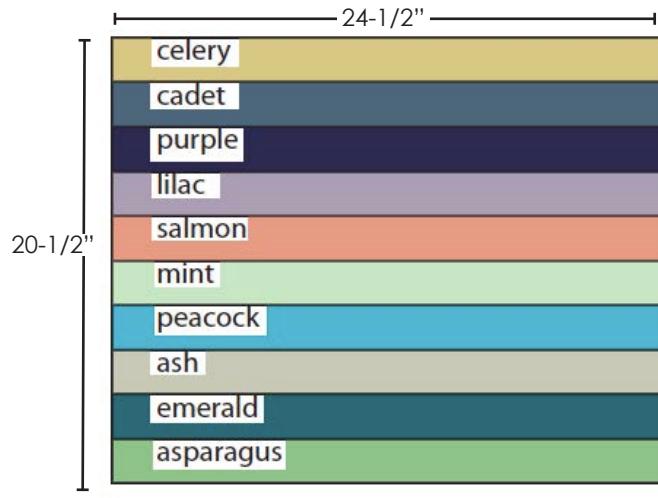
### STEP 2

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut the ivy strip 8-1/2" long. Cut the teal blue strip 12-1/2" long. Piece together end to end. Press seam to the side. (This will be used as one strip, as row 3 of this block.)
- Cut the remainder of the strips 20-1/2" long. Sew strips together. Press seams to one side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 20-1/2" x 40-1/2". Label as Block 2.



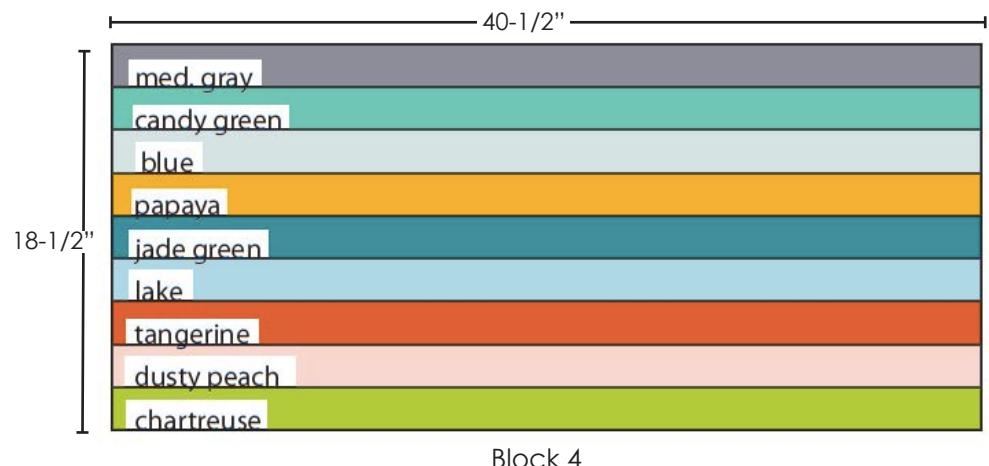
### STEP 3

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 24-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 20-1/2" x 24-1/2". Label as Block 3.



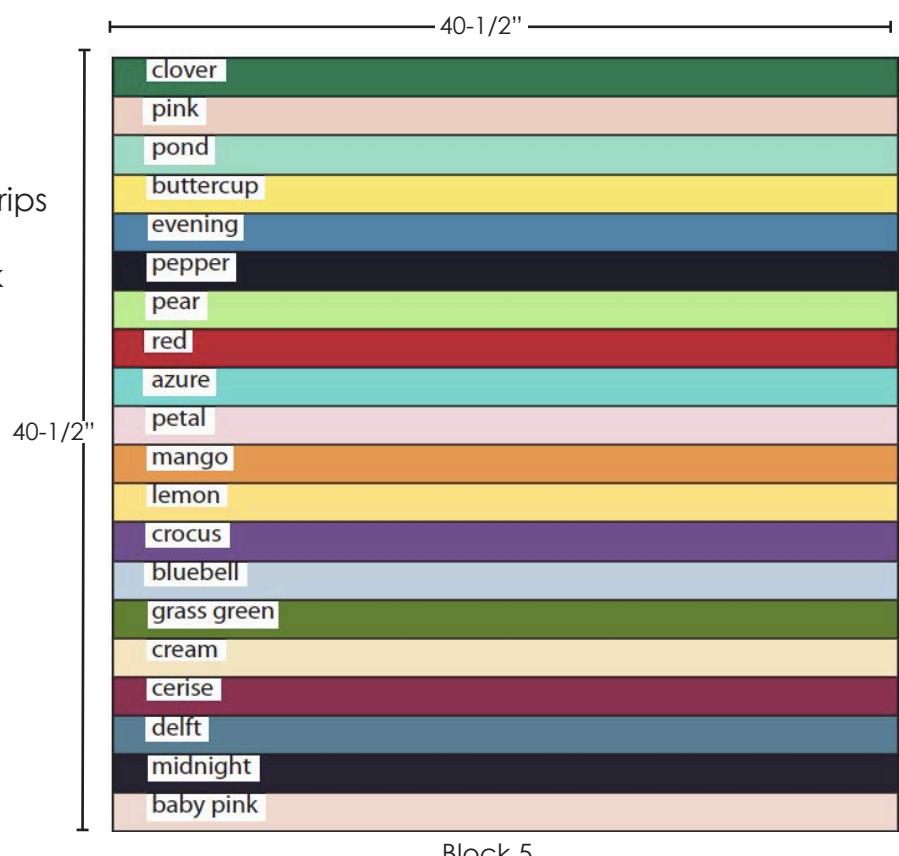
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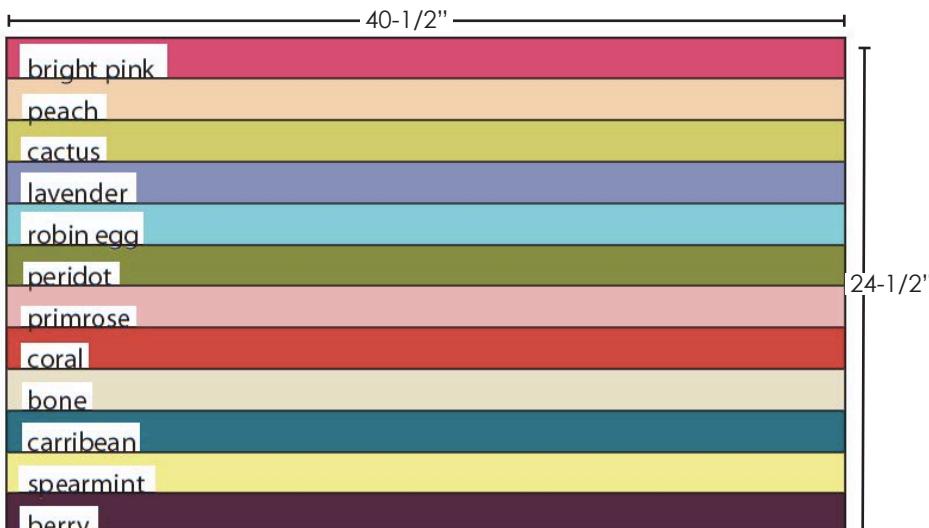
- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 40-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 18-1/2" x 40-1/2". Label as Block 4.



### STEP 5

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 40-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 40-1/2" x 40-1/2". Label as Block 5.

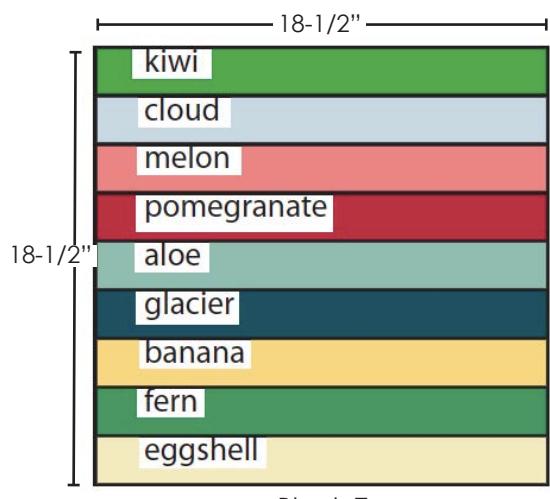




Block 6

### STEP 6

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 40-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 24-1/2" x 40-1/2". Label as Block 6.



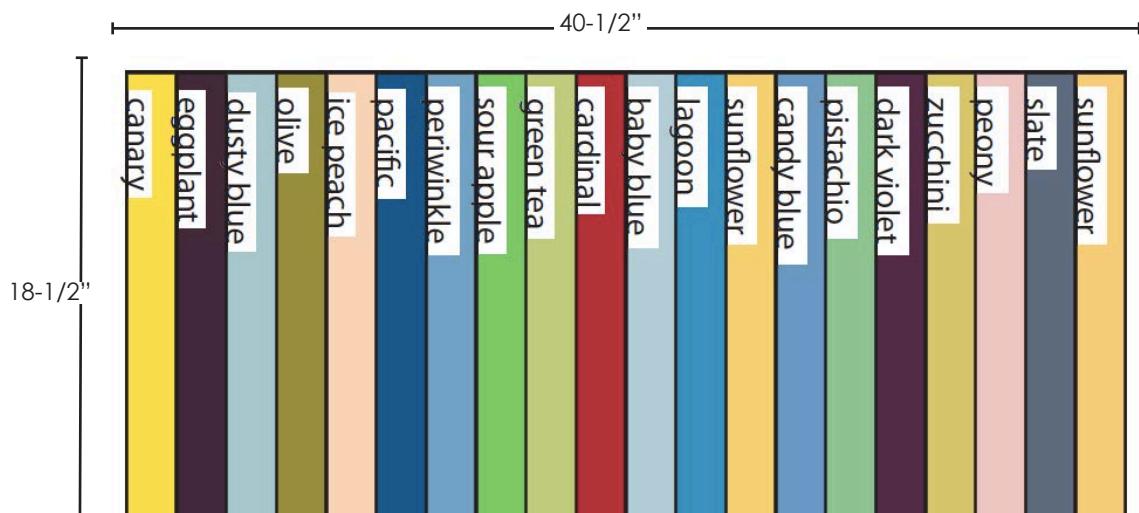
Block 7

### STEP 7

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 18-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 18-1/2" x 18-1/2". Label as Block 7.

### STEP 8

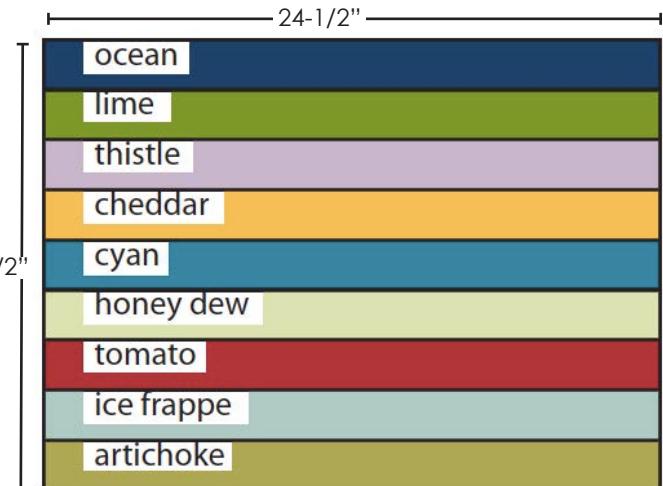
- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 18-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 18-1/2" x 40-1/2". Label as Block 8.



Block 8

## STEP 9

- Select the strips needed according to the diagram.
- Cut each strip 24-1/2" long. Sew strips together in the order shown. Press seams to the side, toward the dark fabrics.
- The block should measure 18-1/2" x 24-1/2".
- Label as Block 9.

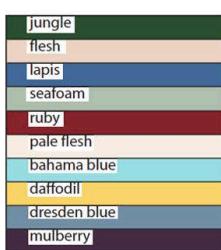


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## STEP 10: Quilt Assembly

- Lay out the nine large blocks according to the diagram. Sew the blocks into rows, then sew the rows together. Press the quilt top well.

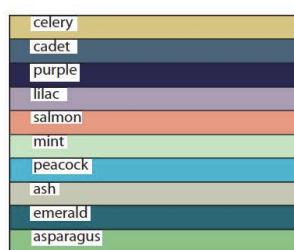
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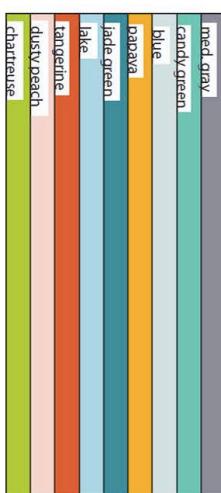
**Block 2**



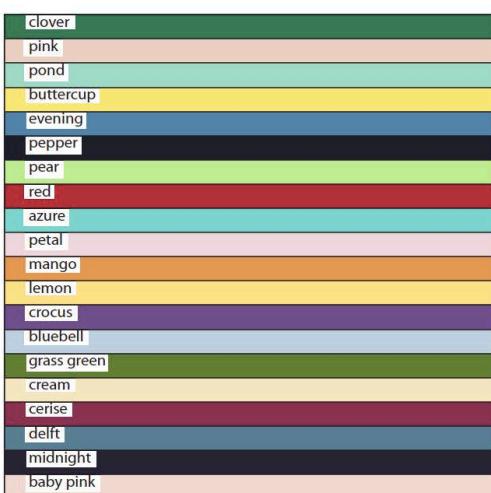
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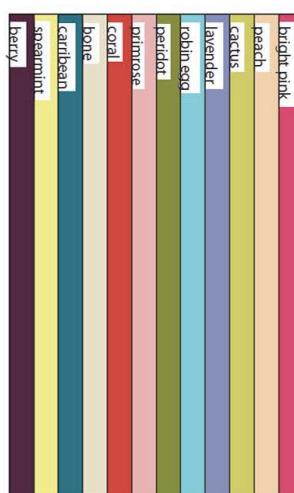
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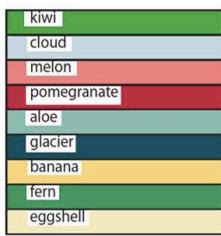
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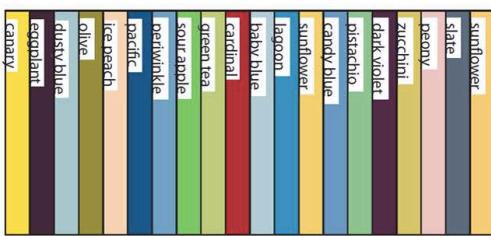
**Block 6**



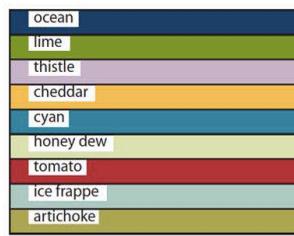
**Block 7**



**Block 8**



**Block 9**



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