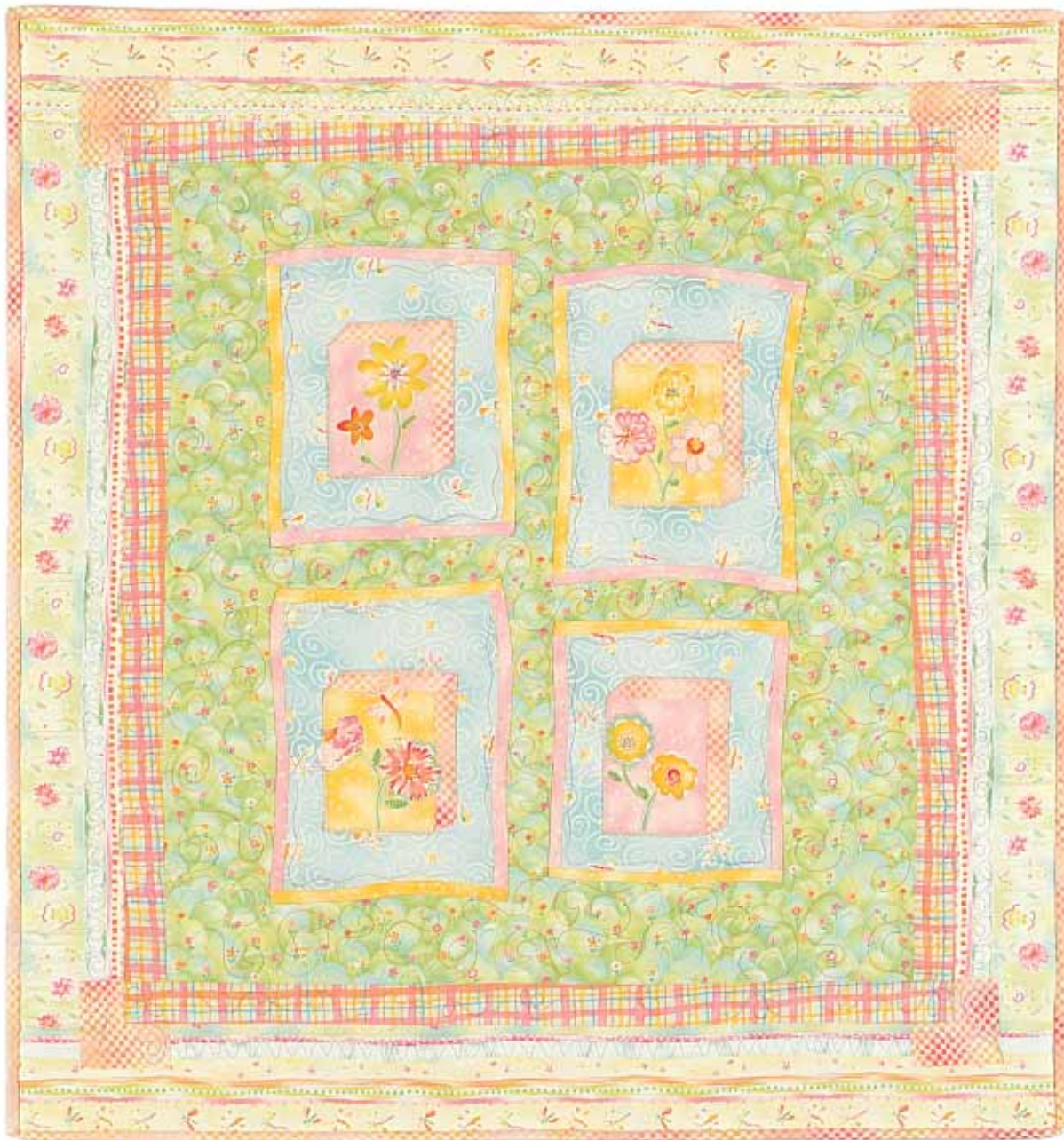


# ZANY FOR ZINNIAS

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Zinnias patterns used in this quilt:



AJS-3532-1 GREEN



AJS-3535-1 GREEN



AJS-3534-1 GREEN



AJS-3537-1 PEACH



AJS-3536-1 PINK



AJS-3538-1 YELLOW



AJS-3538-2 PINK



AJS-3353-1 GREEN

All patterns are shown approx. 1/3 actual size.



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Quilt and instructions by Jayme Crow and Joan Segna  
Bella Nonna Design Studio ([www.bellanonnaquilt.com](http://www.bellanonnaquilt.com))

**FINISHED SIZE:** approx. 36" x 39"

## MATERIALS NEEDED

**Background:**  $\frac{3}{4}$  yd. of AJS-3535-1 Green

**Zany Blocks:**  $\frac{3}{8}$  yd. of AJS-3534-1 Green

**Seed Boxes, Zany Blocks Bias Binding:**  $\frac{1}{2}$  yd. ea. of AJS-3538-1 Yellow and AJS-3538-2 Pink

**Seed Box Shadows, Border Corner Squares, Quilt Binding:**  $\frac{1}{2}$  yd. of AJS-3537-1 Peach

**Flowers:**  $\frac{1}{4}$  yd. of AJS-3532-1 Green

**Inner Border:**  $\frac{1}{4}$  yd. of AJS-3536-1 Pink

**Outer Border:**  $1\frac{1}{4}$  yds. of AJS-3353-1 Green

**Fusible Tape:** 3 yds.

**Fusible Web:** two 9" x 12" sheets

**Optional:** 10–12 crystal beads for flower centers

## CUTTING (Refer to fabrics listed above.)

**Background:** Cut a  $25\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $28\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle.

**Zany Blocks:** Photocopy Blocks A, B, C, and D outlines @ 200% to make full size patterns. Use those 200% paper patterns to cut one each of all four blocks. Be sure to label each block as you cut.

**Seed Boxes:** Cut two (2) 4" x 5" Yellow rectangles and two (2)  $3\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " Pink rectangles.

**Zany Blocks Bias Binding:** Cut eight (8) bias strips of each color  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " wide by approx. 12" long.

**Seed Box Shadows:** Cut two (2) 1" x 42" strips. From those strips, cut four (4) 7" and four (4) 5" long strips.

**Flower Centers:** Choose 8–10 flowers and back with fusible web. Trim close to edges of flowers and stems.

**Inner border:** Cut four (4) strips 2" x 42".

**Outer border:** Cut four (4) lengthwise strips 4" x 42".

## BLOCK ASSEMBLY

**Zany Blocks Binding:** Refer to quilt photo for bias colors on edges of each block. Sew bias strips, right sides together, to both sides of Block A using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press seam toward bias. Press raw edge of bias to back, leaving  $\frac{1}{2}$ " showing on front of block, and secure with fusible tape. Trim top and bottom edges of bias even with block. Sew bias strips to top and bottom edges of block using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, and leaving  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " extra bias strip at each end. Press seam toward bias. Fold corners to back and secure with fusible tape. Press raw edge of bias to back of block, leaving  $\frac{1}{2}$ " showing on front, and secure with fusible tape. Repeat with Blocks B, C, and D.

**Seed Box Shadows:** Refer to Figure 1. Sew 7" shadow edging to right edge of each Seed Box, right sides together, even with bottom edge and extending at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " at top. Start stitching at lower corner, and stop stitching  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from upper corner. Sew 5" shadow edge to top of each Seed Box, even with left edge and extending at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " at right. Start stitching at left edge, and stop stitching  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from right corner. Press seams toward seed box. Press one excess strip under at corner in 45° angle. Sew strips together to form mitered corner. Trim mitered seam and press open. Trim bottom edge of shadow strip to approx. 30° angle, and upper left edge to approx. 45° angle as shown.

**Appliqué Seed Boxes to Zany Blocks:** Center Yellow Seed Boxes on Blocks B and C, and Pink Seed Boxes on Blocks A and D. Hand or machine stitch around each Seed Box with decorative stitches. To reduce bulk, carefully cut away block fabric from behind Seed Boxes, leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance all around.

**Flower Appliqués:** Position flowers on Seed Boxes, peel fusible paper, and press in place. Add small zigzag stitches around flower edges with clear (invisible) thread if desired. Sew a few beads to larger flower centers if desired.

## QUILT TOP ASSEMBLY

Pin or baste Zany Blocks on background as follows: **Block A** approx.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " from the top and  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " from left edge; **Block B** approx. 4" from top and 4" from right edge; **Block C:** approx.  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " from bottom and 4" from left edge; **Block D** approx. 4" from bottom and  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " from right edge. Appliqué blocks to background by hand, or using blind-hem machine stitch and clear (invisible) thread on top. Use open embroidery foot so you can see stitching. Select a stitch pattern that does 3-to-7 straight stitches (13 stitches per inch) with one stitch (zigzag) to the left. Adjust zigzag so it barely takes a bite into appliqué block. After stitching, carefully cut away background fabric from behind blocks to reduce bulk, leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

## BORDERS

**Inner Border:** Measure center length of quilt, top to bottom. Cut two border strips that long. Sew one border on each side of quilt. Press seams toward border. Now measure center width of quilt, side to side, including border strips just attached. Cut other two border strips that long. Sew strips to top and bottom of quilt, and press seams toward border.

**Outer Border:** Follow measuring, cutting, and sewing instructions above. Sew to edges of inner border.

**Border Corner Squares:** Cut 3" x 12" rectangle and back with fusible web. Cut into four (4) 3" squares. Cut a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square out of one corner of each 3" square. Fit around each corner of inner border as shown in photo. Peel fusible paper, and press to outer border.

## QUILTING AND FINISHING

Sandwich batting between quilt top and backing, and quilt as desired. Add binding and enjoy!

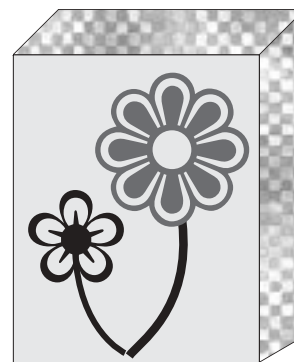


FIGURE 1—SEED BOX

