

"HOME TOWN PRIDE"

A QOV ORIGINAL, BY CONNIE FRICK
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SIZE 50 X 60
12 BLOCKS, 12" X 12", WITH 2 - 4" BORDERS

FABRIC:

1 YARD - FOCUS FABRIC, SOME TYPE OF PATRIOTIC PRINT.

2/3 YARD - WHITE

2/3 YARD - RED

2 YARDS - BLUE

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

CUT 12 - 6 1/2 " SQUARES OF THE PATRIOTIC PRINT.

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CUT 24 - 3" WHITE SQUARES
CUT 48 - 3 1/2" WHITE SQUARES

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CUT 24 - 6 1/2" X 2" RED STRIPS (4- 2" X WOF) WIDTH OF THE FABRIC
CUT 24 - 9 1/4" X 2" RED STRIPS (6- 2" X WOF)

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CUT 24 - 9 1/4" X 2" BLUE STRIPS (6- 2" X WOF)
CUT 24 - 12" X 2" BLUE STRIPS (8- 2" X WOF)

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FIRST BORDER. CUT FROM THE PATRIOTIC PRINT
CUT 5 - 4" X WOF

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SECOND BORDER. CUT FROM THE BLUE FABRIC
CUT 5 - 4" X WOF

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BINDING, YOU WILL NEED AT LEAST 240"
6 STRIPS WOF= 244"..... I CUT MINE AT 3", YOU MAY WANT TO CUT YOURS AT 2 1/2".

SEWING:

STEP 1:

USING THE 6 1/2" PATRIOTIC PRINT, AND THE 3" WHITE SQUARES.

FINGER PRESS A 3" SQUARE CORNER TO CORNER. SEW ONE TO OPPOSITE CORNERS
OF THE 6 1/2" SQUARE.

FOLD TOWARD THE CORNER.

PRESS, AND TRIM OUT "ONLY" THE CENTER LAYER. LEAVING THE ORIGINAL SQUARE IN TACK
TO ENSURE THE BLOCK STAYS SQUARE.

REPEAT FOR ALL 12 BLOCKS. YOU SHOULD HAVE 2 WHITE CORNERS ON EACH BLOCK.



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STEP 2:

RED, 6 1/2" X 2" STRIPS.

SEW ONE RED STRIP TO TWO OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE BLOCK. PRESS.

USING THE RED, 9 1/4" X 2" STRIPS, SEW ONE TO EACH OF THE REMAINING SIDES OF THE BLOCK.

YOU SHOULD HAVE A RED BORDER AROUND THE PATRIOTIC CENTER.



STEP 3:

WHITE 3 1/2" SQUARES, FINGER PRESS THESE IN HALF CORNER TO CORNER,
STITCH ONE WHITE SQUARE TO TWO CORNERS ACROSS THE RED BORDER, ON THE OPPOSITE
CORNERS FROM THE FIRST WHITE POINTS. PRESS, TRIM AWAY THE CENTER LAYER "ONLY".
REPEAT FOR ALL 12 BLOCKS.



STEP 4:

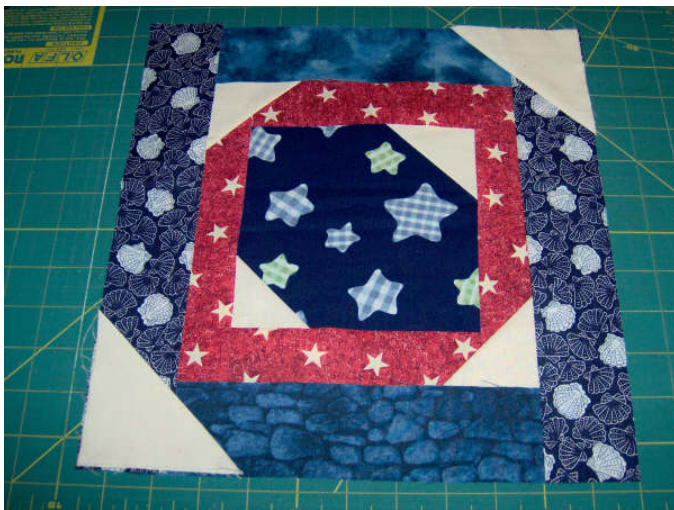
USING THE BLUE STRIPS, SEW ONE 2" X 9 1/4" STRIP TO EACH OF TWO OPPOSITE
EDGES OF THE BLOCK.

STITCH THE REMAINING 12" X 2" BLUE STRIPS TO THE OTHER 2 EDGES OF THE BLOCK. PRESS.



STEP 5:

FINGER PRESS THE REMAINING WHITE SQUARES AND STITCH TO EACH OF TWO CORNERS ACROSS THE BLUE BORDER, BUT LINE THESE UP WITH THE FIRST TWO CORNERS,(THE 3" WHITES.) YOU SHOULD NOW HAVE 6 CORNERS OF WHITE ON THE BLOCK. PRESS, AND AGAIN "ONLY TRIM OUT THE CENTER LAYER OF THE FOLDED CORNERS."



STITCH THE BLOCKS TOGETHER, MAKING 4 ROWS OF 3. THEN SEW THE ROWS TOGETHER. PRESS

BORDERS:

THE FIRST BORDER SHOULD BE THE PATRIOTIC PRINT. MEASURE YOUR TOP THROUGH THE CENTER, FROM SIDE TO SIDE. "THIS IS YOUR CORRECT EDGE MEASUREMENT".

CUT 2 BORDER STRIPS TO THIS MEASUREMENT, (YOU MAY NEED TO PIECE THESE)

NOW FIND THE CENTER -OF THE EDGE YOU PLAN TO START WITH, AND PLACE A PIN TO MARK.

THEN FIND THE CENTER OF THE BORDER STRIP, PLACE A PIN HERE TOO,

NOW LINE THESE TWO PINS UP, AND PIN THEM TOGETHER.

YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO SEE AT THIS POINT IF YOU WILL HAVE TO EASE IN

ANY FULLNESS ALONG THE EDGE TO FIT THE BORDER MEASUREMENT.

IF SO, DO IT IN SMALL STEPS ALL ALONG THE EDGE, SO AS NOT TO GET A PLEAT OR PUCKERS.

ONCE YOU HAVE THE TWO OPPOSITE EDGES WITH BORDERS ON, PRESS THE SEAM TOWARD THE BORDER,

AND AGAIN, MEASURE THROUGH THE CENTER OF THE TOP FROM END TO END TO FIND THE CORRECT

MEASUREMENT FOR THE NEXT TWO BORDER STRIPS.

PIN CENTERS, AND STITCH THESE ON THE SAME WAY, EASING IN ANY FULLNESS ALL ALONG THE EDGE TO

FIT YOUR BORDER.

(I LIKE TO DO THE TOP AND BOTTOM BORDERS FIRST, THEN THE TWO LONG SIDES)

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BLUE BORDER:

REPEAT, AS YOU DID WITH THE LAST BORDER., AGAIN MEASURING THROUGH THE CENTERS TO FIND THE CORRECT LENGTH FOR THE BORDER STRIPS.

YOU WILL NEED TO PIECE THESE ALSO.....PRESSING THESE SEAMS TOWARD THE BORDERS.

NOW DO A HAPPY DANCE!!! YOU ARE ALL DONE WITH THE TOP. WASN'T'T THAT EASY !

TRY ANOTHER USING ALL SCRAPS, AND TURNING THE BLOCKS IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS.....

BELOW YOU WILL FIND A PICTURE OF THE FINISHED TOP FOR REFERENCE.

