



STARS SHINE OVER THE MIDWEST

84" x 100" Quilt



MATERIALS:

[32] AKNSH Collectible Shop Quilt Blocks

AKNSH Regional Quilt Block

AKNSH State Quilt Block

3-1/2 yards City Names, Brown

3-1/2 yards Ditsy Flower

1/2 Sunflower Gingham

1 yard Birds on a Branch

1/2 yard each Classic Dots: Pink, Yellow, Green

3-1/2 yards 108" wide, for backing

Tri Rec Ruler by EZ Quilting

1 yard Shadow Play Lime, Green or similar Yellowish Green fabric. This can be used as a substitute if you have not collected enough AKNSH Collectible Shop Quilt Blocks for the center of the Stars and as cornerstones in the sashing.

READ THROUGH ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING. SEW PIECES RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER (RST) AND USE A 1/4" SEAM ALLOWANCE THROUGHOUT. FOR THIS PATTERN, WE WILL CUT STRIPS BY THE WOF (WIDTH OF FABRIC); HST = HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES; LOF = LENGTH OF FABRIC

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

From AKNSH Regional Blocks:

Square up to 6-1/2" square

From AKNSH State Block:

Square up to 8-1/2" square

From Sunflower Gingham Flower Fabric:

Cut [2] — 5-1/2" × WOF strips

Subcut [12] — 5-1/2" squares

Subcut diagonally twice to yield [4] triangles from each

From City Names, Brown Fabric:

Cut [4] — 4-1/2" × LOF strips for outer border

Cut [4] — 2-1/2" × LOF strips for binding

Cut [7] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips

Subcut [160] — half triangles using Tri Rec Ruler

From Shadow Play (or yellowish green)

Fabric:

Cut [3] — 5" × WOF strips

Subcut [24] — 5" squares

From Ditsy Flower Fabric:

Cut [6] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips

Subcut [80] triangles, using the Tri tool

Cut [11] — 4-1/2" × WOF

Subcut into [31] 4-1/2" × 12-1/2" for sashings

Cut [4] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips

Subcut [32] — 4-1/2" squares

Cut [3] — 5" × WOF strips

Subcut [24] 5" squares

From Classic Dot Fabrics:

For every AKNSH Collectible Shop Quilt Block, cut a 4-1/2" squares.

Note: You will need [4] 4-patch squares, using [2] AKNSH Collectible Shop Quilt Blocks and [2] Classic Dot Fabrics. If you do not have [12] AKNSH Collectible Shop Quilt Blocks, you can fill with additional Classic Dot 4-1/2" squares.

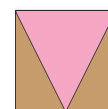
From Birds on a Branch Fabric:

Cut 8-1/2" × WOF strips. Number of strips will depend on how many collectible quilt blocks you have.

BLOCK ASSEMBLY:

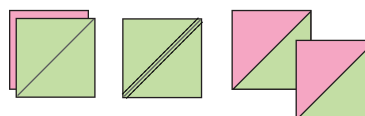
Star Point Blocks:

1. Using the [160] City Names, Brown Fabric and the [80] Ditsy Flowers Fabric triangles, and following manufacturer's directions piece [80] 4-1/2" squares. These will finish at 4".



Half Square Triangles:

1. Using the [24] Ditsy Flowers 5" squares and the Shadow Play lime green (or yellowish green fabric) 5" squares, pair them RST and draw a diagonal line, corner to corner on each pair.
2. Sew a scant 1/4" on each side of the drawn line.
3. Cut on the drawn line.
4. Press with the seams toward the darker fabric.
5. Square these [48] HSTs to 4-1/2"



Star Block:

The blocks are assembled as an equal 9-patch. There are [20] 12" star blocks, and divided into [3] different designs. This is because the Shop Hop blocks are directional and are used as the center of each block.

Design 1 - Make [4]: This layout uses [3] Ditsy Flower 4-1/2" squares, [4] Star Point Blocks, [1] HST, and [1] AKNSH Collectible Quilt Store Block.

They are assembled the same except for the position of the HST in the 9-patch.

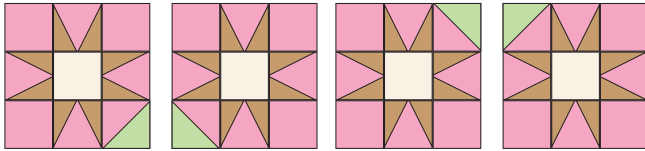
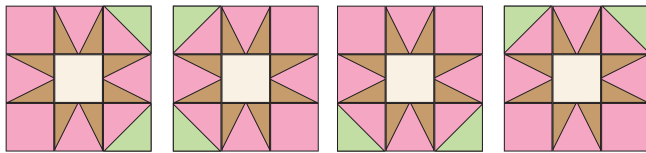


Figure 1

Design 2 - Make [10]: This layout uses [2] Ditsy Flower 4-1/2" squares, [4] Star Point Blocks, [2] HST, and [1] AKNSH Collectible Quilt Store Block.



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Figure 2

Design 3 - Makes [6]: This layout uses [4] Star Point Blocks, [4] HST, and [1] AKNSH Collectible Quilt Store Block.

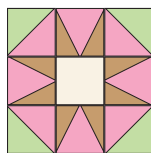
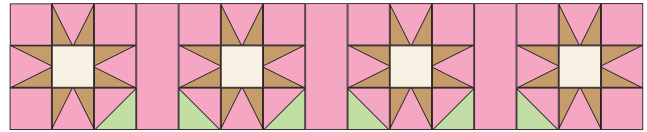


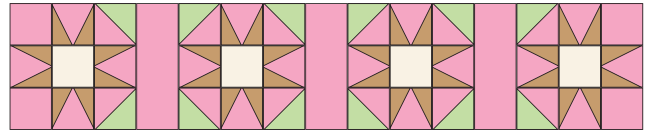
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QUILT TOP ASSEMBLY:

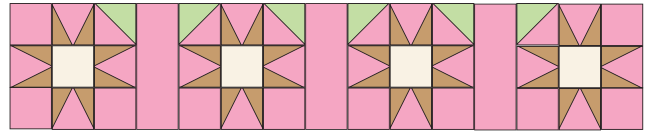
1. Lay out the 20 star blocks according to the layout below.
2. Using the Ditsy Flower 4-1/2" x 12-1/2" sashing strips, sew strips between the star blocks.



Row 1 — Make 1



Rows 2-4 — Make 3



Row 5 — Make 1

3. Using [4] Ditsy Flower 4-1/2" x 12-1/2" sashing strips and [3] Shadow Play, Green squares, sew rows as shown below. Make [4] of these rows.



4. Sew together rows together as shown in Figure 4. At this point, the quilt should measure 60" x 76".

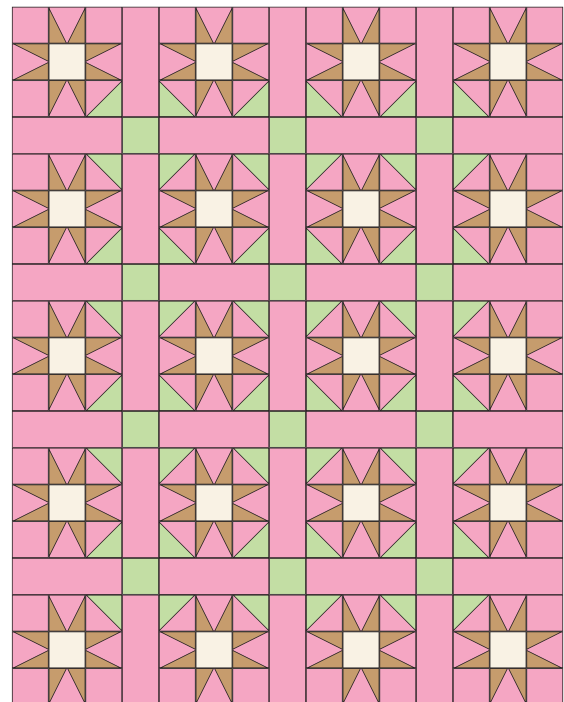


Figure 4

BORDER ASSEMBLY:

Regional Corner Blocks

1. Sew Sunflower Gingham triangles to each side of the AKNSH Regional Blocks, being careful not to stretch the long bias side of the triangle. Make ??.
2. Press and square up to 8-1/2".

Note: You may lose some points when squaring this block to 8-1/2".

4-Patch Blocks

1. Create 4-Patch using [2] AKNSH Collectible Quilt Store Blocks and [2] Classic Dot squares. The dot fabric could be the same in these 4-patches, or random, your choice.

Note: In the drawn sample the 4-Patch blocks and Regional Blocks are in the upper left and lower right of the quilt to create an asymmetrical border. The border is completed using the Birds on a Branch Fabric 8-1/2" strips. It's difficult to give exact lengths as it all depends upon how many Shop Hop/Regional blocks blocks you have.

Inner Border

1. Count how many 4-patch square you have. Figure out how many have for each of the [4] sides. If you need fabric to fill out the inside border, use the Birds on the Branch 8-1/2" strips.
2. Create the top inner border by sewing the 4-patch squares to the left of Birds fabric. Measure the width of quilt center and trim this piece from Bird fabric side.
3. Create the bottom inner border by sewing the 4-patch squares to the right of Birds fabric. Measure the width of quilt center and trim this piece from Bird fabric side..
4. Sew these inner borders to the top and the bottom of the quilt top.
5. Using the AKNSH Blocks you created, 4-patch blocks, and the Birds on the Branch 8-1/2" strip filler, sew together vertically to create the correct length for the [2] sides.

Note: The left border will have the regional block on top. The right border will have the regional block on bottom.

6. Sew these borders to the right and left side of your quilt top.

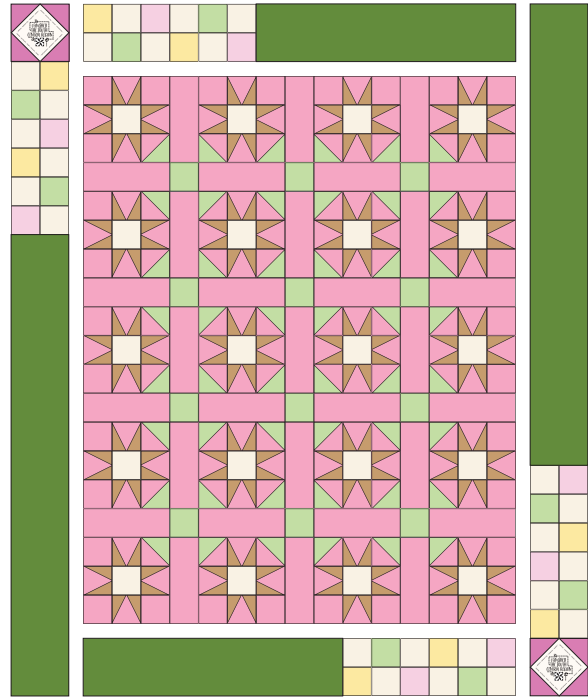


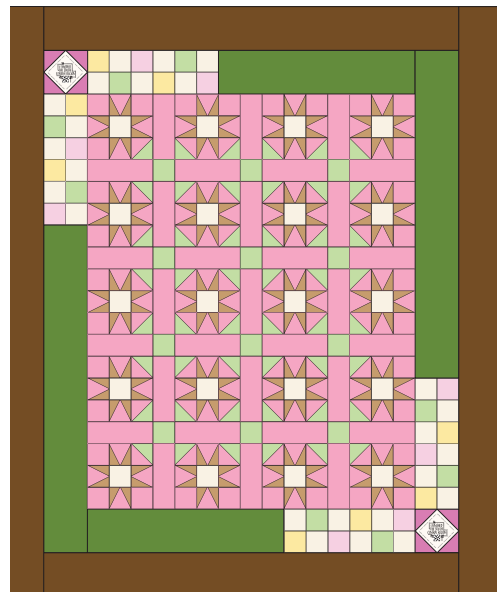
Figure 5

Outer Border

1. Measure width of quilt center. Then, using the City Names, Brown 4-1/2" strips, cut and sew the outer border to the top and bottom of your quilt top.
2. Repeat the same process, sewing it to the both sides of the quilt top.

FINISHING:

1. Layer quilt top with batting and backing.
2. Quilt as desired.
3. Bind using City Names, Brown fabric.
4. Enjoy.





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