



A Patchwork Puzzle

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Step 1

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Make a pieced, crib-size quilt,
45-1/2" x 59-1/2" including borders.
All quick cut; uses 3 different fabrics.

Total yardage required:
4 yards plus backing.
Six steps.

This project is geared toward quilters
who are comfortable with basic
rotary cutting and machine piecing
techniques.

Fabric

The fabric requirements are generous, to allow for uneven cuts, shrinkage and mistakes—and because most quilters would rather have a bit too much fabric than not enough!

Use 44"-wide fabric (at least 42 usable inches after preshrinking).
You'll need:

1-1/4 yards DARK fabric. This fabric is for the primary design element in the quilt. Choose a solid in a color that you love, or a beautiful, dark, non-directional print.

3/4 yard MEDIUM (or dark-medium) fabric. This fabric is for the secondary design element in the quilt. Choose a solid or a small-to medium-scale tone-on-tone print. A directional print—even a low-key plaid or stripe—would work fine here.

2 yards LIGHT fabric, for background and borders. This fabric will be joined to itself occasionally; if you use a print, try something in a soft, swirly all-over pattern that will help disguise the seams. Consider a subtle multicolored print that picks up the other colors in the quilt.

Both the DARK and MEDIUM fabrics must contrast well with the LIGHT background fabric. Make sure you'll be able to see a "line" where the DARK and LIGHT and the MEDIUM and LIGHT fabrics join.

Fabric requirements include fabric for borders for for 3/8" (finished) double-fold binding.

The shaded boxes below are keyed to the drawings that will appear in the sewing steps. Cut a snip from each of your fabrics and tape or glue the snip near the appropriate shaded box. You'll find this reference guide helpful as you proceed through the step-by-step instructions for the quilt.



Light



Medium



Dark