Center Square

56"x76"

To make the quilt pictured:



You need:

- 5 1/8 yards of various shirting fabrics
- ¾ yard of brown for inner border
- ½-5/8 yard of fabric for the binding.

This quilt consists of only one block plus a piano key border: It looks like this:



It measures 10 ½"x 10 ½" before sewing together into the quilt. Use ¼" seam allowances throughout.

Cut:

For each block: (This quilt is made up of 24 blocks.)

I cut them out individually since I was using up shirts as this is a memory quilt. I tried to use a variety of colorways.

Color 1:

• 1 − 2½" x 2½" square

Color 2:

- 2 2½" x 2½" strips
- 2 2½" x 6½" strips

Color 3:

- 2 2½" x 6½" strips
- 2 2½" x 10½" strips

Borders will be discussed separately under "How to construct this quilt".

Construct blocks:

The blocks will finish at 10½"x 10½".

1. Starting with your Color 1 2 ½" square, sew the two 2 ½" squares of Color 2 to it.



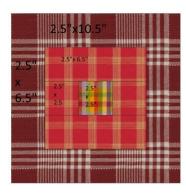
2. Add your Color $2 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ x6 $\frac{1}{2}$ strips to the top and bottom of this unit:



3. Add Color 3 2½"x6½" strips to the sides of the above unit:



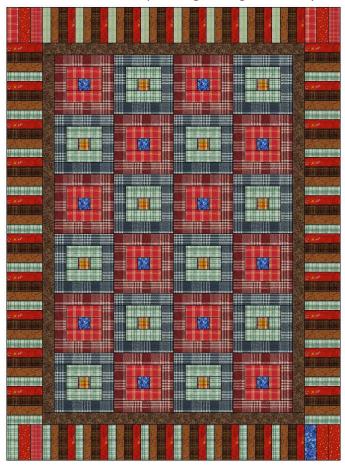
4. Add your Color 3 2 ½"x10 ½" strips to the top and bottom of this unit. Press well.



Make 24. Try to make a variety of color combinations for more variety if that is your "thing".

How to make this quilt:

- 1. Construct your blocks.
- 2. **Place blocks as in this diagram.** Ignore the borders for the moment. Use the floor or a design wall to help place the colors so that the blocks are in a pleasing arrangement to your eye.



3. **Sew the blocks together** as per the layout. I used 4 across and 6 down. First sew the blocks together in rows and then the rows together. Press. Well.

4. Borders:

• **First brown border**: - Cut strips of fabric 2 ½"xWOF (6, depending on your width of fabric). Sew together in long pieces. Add borders. Lay across the middle of the quilt to fit. Cut. Sew on the sides. Repeat for the top and bottom.

- **Piano key border**: Cut 120 2 ½"x 6 ½" strips of fabric from your shirtings. Sew 32 together as per diagram for the sides. Make 2. Attach to the sides. Sew together 28 strips as pictured in the diagram for the top and bottom. Attach.
- 5. Press well.
- 6. **Sandwich,** using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
- 7. Quilt as desired. This is what I did.



And



8. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish. I machine sew my bindings attaching to the back and bringing to the front and sewing on from the front.

Congratulations!

Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!