## Double Irish Delight



## You need:

- $51 / 2$ yards of off white fabric for background
- $41 / 2$ yards of floral print
- $23 / 8$ yards of hot pink for chain
- $1 / 2-5 / 8$ yard of fabric for the binding.

Note: This quilt consists of 2 blocks $-8^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime}$ square that has snowballed corners and a chain block
They look like this: They are 8" as a block, but finish in the quilt at 7.5".


## Cut:

## Chain block:

## For EACH chain block cut:

- 4 off white 2 " squares
- 12 floral 2" squares
- 9 hot pink 2" squares


## Spacer block (mostly off white) block:

 For EACH spacer block:- 4-2"x2" floral squares
- 1-5"x8" off white rectangle
- 2-2"x5" off white rectangles

Note: I always use strip piecing when possible. I was able to cut 2" strips of the hot pink, off white and floral and rows of strips like this.

These pictures show how I did this:
First made strip sets using 2" strips. (The one showing a large off white center, is using a 5 " strip with a 2" strip added to each and is used in the spacer block.)


Cut off 2" segments on each of these strip sets.


## Construct blocks:

## How to make the chain block:

Using the segments you have strip pieced in rows, sew the rows together as the pictures demonstrate.


To get this:


Make 85.
How to make the spacer block:


Either sew together all these pieces individually as marked, or create strip sets show below, and sew those segments to the top and bottom of the $5 \times 8$ " off white piece to get this block.


Make 84.

## How to make this quilt:

1. Construct your blocks as shown.
2. Lay out completed blocks according to this diagram. The blocks are alternated, starting with the chain block and finishing the first row with a chain block. I used a $13 \times 13$ layout.

3. Sew blocks together in rows,
4. Press well.
5. Sandwich, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
6. Quilt as desired.
7. Bind, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations! Your quilt is finished!
There is a lot of "fiddling" to get the chain block right, but it isn't very hard. Not really. Really. If you've not tried it, you should make one!
Enjoy!
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