

# Spools and Stitches

about 91"x112"

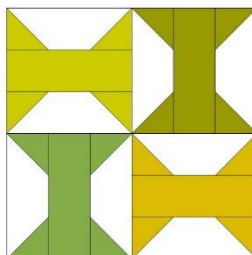
To make the quilt pictured:



## You need:

- 8 5/8 yards of white/cream/off whites
- 5 yards of various greens
- 7/8 yard of greenish gold for the stitches
- 3/4 yard of your choice of fabric for binding

Note: this quilt is made up of one 12" finished in the quilt block which looks like this and pieced sashing units:



**Cut:**

**For the block: (1 block) This quilt as shown uses 32 blocks.**

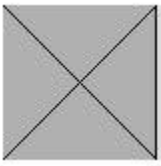
**Each block will need 4 different greens:**

- From each different green -  
1 – 2.5"x6.5" strip  
4 – 2.5"x2.5" squares
- From white:  
2 – 2.5"x6.5" strips

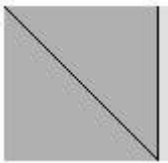
**For side setting triangles – from various greens:**

**From green:**

- **From 4 different greens –**  
Cut 4 18 ½" squares – cut diagonally twice to get the side setting triangles. You will have 16 side setting triangles and you will use 14.



- **For corner triangles – from 2 different greens:**  
Cut 2 - 9 ½" squares – and cut diagonally once to make 4 triangle pieces



**For sashings: for the whole quilt as shown (make 80 sashing pieces)**

- From white –  
160 – 1.5"x 12.5"  
Make 80 strip pieced segments that look like this: (shown below) They measure 1"x12.5"



To make this segment strip piece

Using white 2"xWOF (width of fabric), gold 1.5"xWOF, white 1.5", gold 1.5", white 1.5", gold 1.5", white 1.5", gold 1.5", white 1.5", gold 1.5", white 2" strips. Sew them together and then subcut at 1" (!!!) to make these segments. (USE width of fabric for all strips.)

	white 2"xWOF	
	greenish gold 1.5"	<b>Cut off 1" segments after sewing these strips together</b>
	white 1.5"	
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	white 1.5"	
	greenish gold 1.5"	
	white 2"	

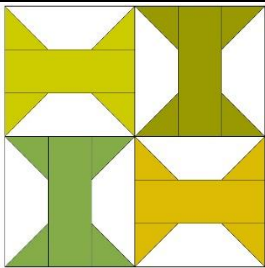
Each segment once cut will be 1"x12.5".

**For cornerstones: for the whole quilt as shown**

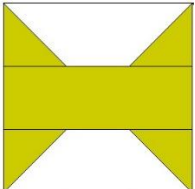
- From white -  
49 – 3" squares

Borders will be discussed after the top is put together.

### Construct blocks:



Each of these 12" (finished) blocks is made up of 4 smaller (6" finished) components like this:



To make this unit, make two units that look like this:

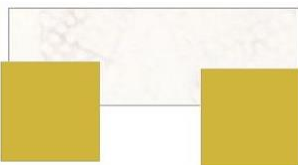


Put a 2.5" greenish gold square over the top of each end of a 2.5"x6.5" white strip.

Here's how:

Make the snowballed corners on the strips like this:

Using 2 - 2.5"x6.5" white and 4 – 2.5" greenish gold squares, make 2 of these units:

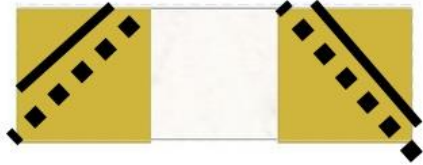


Place the 2.5" squares on the corners –



Sew across the corners as shown. Then trim  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the outside of that sewing line as shown:

1. Sew on diagonal line as shown
2. Trim at  $\frac{1}{4}$ " just to the outside of the diagonal line

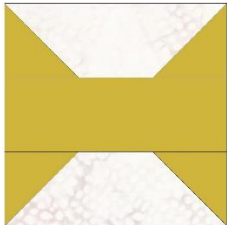


Once sewn and trimmed, press the colored triangle part 'out' as shown:

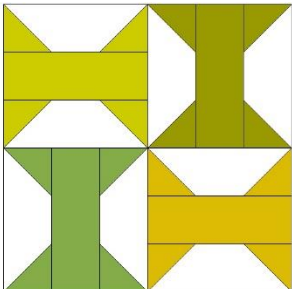
Now it looks like this:



Now take two of those and one plain 2.5"x6.5" greenish gold strip and make the block. Sew right sides together.



For each block, make 4 – I made them all different colorations of these 6.5" squares. Join together to make a big 12.5" square as shown:



Make 32 blocks. They measure 12.5"x12.5".

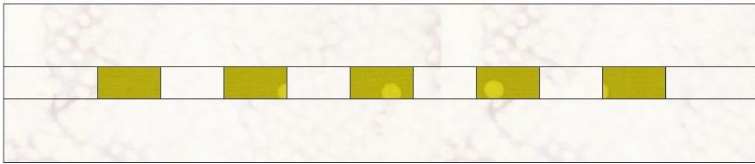
### Make the sashing blocks:

Using your cut 1.5"x12.5" white strips, add the 1"x12.5" strip pieced unit to the middle and make a sashing strip that measures 3"x12.5" before being sewn into the quilt.

Yes, that middle strip part is only  $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide after finished – that is what helps it look like stitches.



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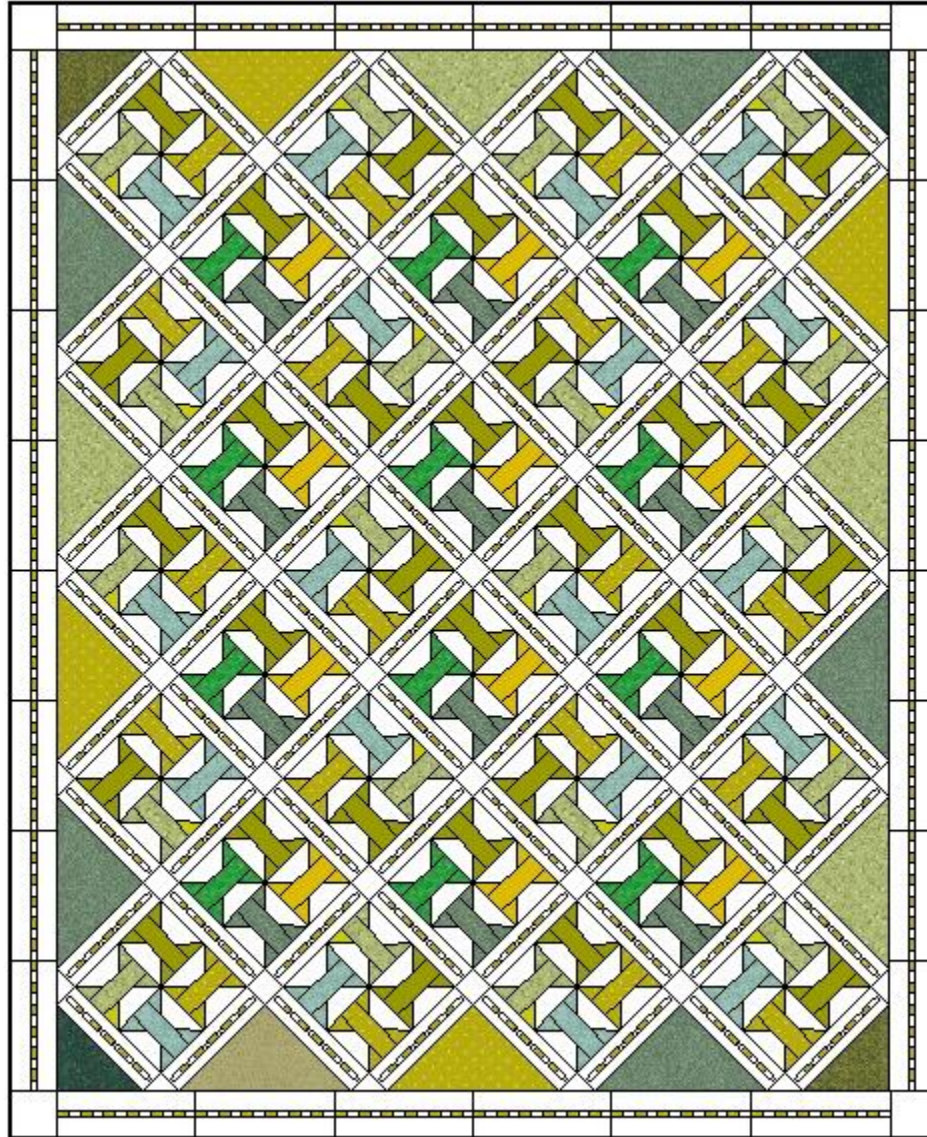


Make 80 sashing pieces which measure 3"x12.5" before being sewn into the quilt.

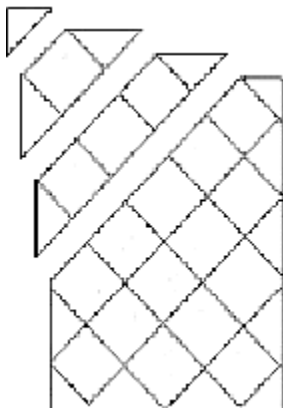


### How to put together this quilt:

1. Sew together in rows using this layout. For now, ignore the outer border section



Put together each row after you have decided what looks good where. You make an on point quilt with rows on the diagonal. Make sure to insert a sashing strip between each block. Add sashing and cornerstone blocks row between each row of spools blocks.



2. Make border:

- Cut 4 white squares that are 5"x5" for the 4 corner blocks.  
(To make the border, construct units in a similar way as to the middle of the quilt except make them like this)
- After putting the center of the top together, measure the center middle from top to bottom to get the length of the top.

From white or cream, cut 4 strips – 2.5"x that length (piece as necessary to get the length needed) it will be around 102".

Make a center strip following the method shown above for the sashing pieces with strip piecing that are the length needed for the sides. Sew the two white 2.5" long strips to the stitches part in the center to make very long strip – about 102" long. Add to the sides. The long piece will look like this:



How, measure the top across the middle from side to side to get the width.

Cut 4 – 2.5" white strips by that length – it will be about 82" (piece as necessary). After adding a center pieced stitches piece that looks like the one shown above, trim to the length of the width of the quilt as it is. Add a 5" white square piece to each end of that strip. Make 2.

Attach that completed border to the top and bottom.

To summarize, you make the outer border using the same method as the sashing pieces, except it is one long piece and you use 2.5" white strips to the outside of the inner 'stitches' part instead of the 1.5" which is what we did with sashing.

3. **Press well.**
4. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
5. **Quilt** as desired. I used big-ish swirls. It is actually harder to go big ones than small ones on a domestic machine!
6. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish.

**Congratulations! Your quilt is finished! Enjoy!**

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Some photos from my quilt:







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