Ice Cube Prisms

Approximately 96"x96"

To make the quilt pictured:



You need:

- About 4-5 yards of various scraps for the 2" squares. (You need to make 41 blocks laid out in an 8x8 grid or 2624 2" squares.)
- 3 1/8 yards dark red for sashing and cornerstones
- 2 yards brown for sashing and cornerstones
- 1¾ off white/cream for sashing
- ½-5/8 yard of fabric for the binding.

Cut:

For the blocks: (Make 41 blocks)

• From your various scraps:

64 - 2" squares for each 8x8 block – total of 2624 squares for 64 blocks OR use strip piecing. (I used strip piecing to make these blocks. See explanation below.)

For sashing sets: (Make 64)

• From red:

128 - 1½" x 12½" strips

From brown:

- 64 1½" x 12½" strips
- From off white:
- 128 1½" x 12½" strips

For cornerstones: (Make 36)

From brown:

Cut 19 - 1½"xWOF pieces for making the pieces needed.

From red:

Cut 21 - 1½"xWOF pieces for making the pieces needed.

<u>Construct blocks:</u> This quilt is one block (plus sashings/cornerstones blocks.) This block will finish at 12½" until it is sewn into the quilt.

Main block:



8x8 block.

1. You can either just sew 2" squares together to make a 64 patch block like this:

or

strip piece:

• I strip pieced this using various colors of strips that I already had cut.

Strip piecing: I sew 8 strips together like this from my already cut up 2" strips: (of course they aren't that even on the ends!)



Then, I press seams all in one direction. Then, I cut off 2" segments like this:



Now you have strips of 8 squares together that looks like this:



Do this a multitude of times with a variety of different color combinations to get 8 strips like this for each block you need. Sew those strips together until you have an 8x8 block.

Make 41 blocks.

How to make the sashing blocks:

Using your previously cut $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, sew together cream, red, brown, red, and cream together to make a block that is $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Use this diagram:



Press the red towards itself. Make 64.

How to make the cornerstone blocks:

Using strips previously cut 1½"x WOF.

Make 5 strip sets like this: Red, brown, red, brown, red:



Press the red towards itself. Cut off 1 ½" segments.



You will 108 of these segments.

AND

Make 3 strip sets with this color placement:

Brown, red, brown, red, brown



Press the red towards itself. Cut off 1 ½" segments.



You will need 72 such segments.

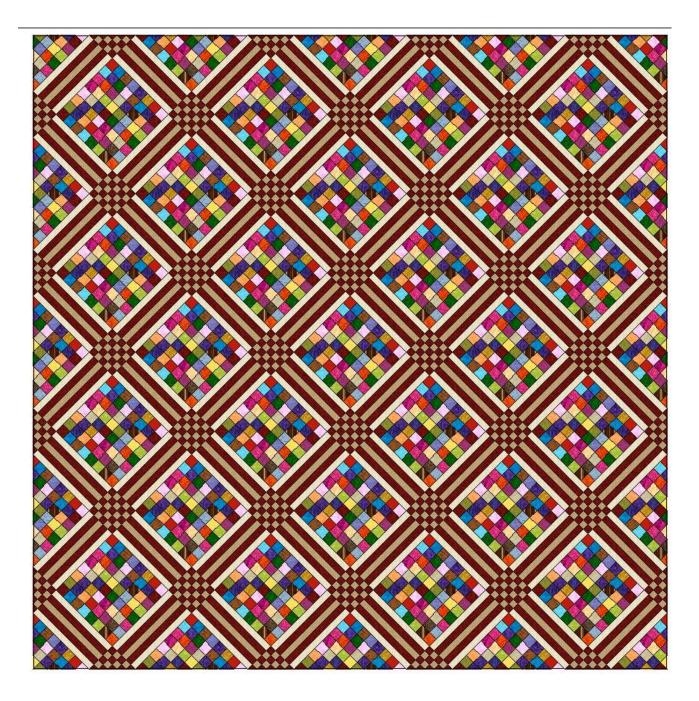
Now sew together those segments --as a 25 patch, until it looks like this:



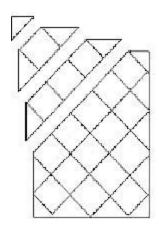
Make 36.

How to put together this quilt:

- 1. Construct your blocks as described above.
- 2. **Get your sashing strips, cornerstones and blocks ready to lay out as follows.** The layout of the quilt looks like this:



3. **Sew together in rows.** I usually first sew the rows together and then sew a row of sashing to the finished row. Continue until all the whole quilt is put together. Add the corners last. Here is a line drawing. I leave the blocks whole so that the edges will not be even like this diagram. Look at my photo below this diagram.



Close up of my top before I trimmed it.



After sewing the whole top together as above, you need to trim the sides. I used the blocks to mark the place where I needed to trim. Trim to $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the OUTSIDE of the center of the block.









I threw the extra cut off pieces into my crumb/strings bag.

- 4. Press well.
- 5. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
- 6. Quilt as desired. I did an all over loop de loop:



7. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations! Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!

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*WOF = Width of fabric