

Snowballs 'n Scraps

102"x114"

To make the quilt pictured



You need:

- 7½ yards of scraps for scrap blocks and snowball corners
- 4¾ yards of off white for snowballs
- 1 3/4 yards of brown print for outer border
- 5/8 yard of dark brown for inner border
- 3/4 yard of fabric for the binding

Note: This quilt consists of 2 blocks –They finish at 6.5” before being sewn into the quilt.
The first is a 16 patch of scraps and a 6.5” off white square that has snowballed corners.



and



Cut:

For the 16 patch scrappy block:

- Using your 2” strips, make strip sets by sewing together 4 – I used warm tones and fabrics that had a good bit of off white or cream/tans.
- First Sew 4 together. Actually, you are going to have make a LOT of these strip sets. Press all seams going on direction. Mix up colors well. Use a large variety of your strips so the chances of slim of two identical blocks ending up next to each other.



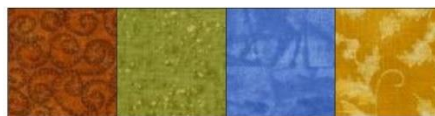
- Cut off 2” segments so you have a set of 4 individual blocks sewn together.



- Sample sets of 4:



and



Make 512 of these segments. You are going to need 128 scrappy 4x4 blocks (block 1 shown above)

For snowball blocks:

Cut :

From off white or cream:

- 127 6.5”x6.5” squares from offwhite or cream

From warm toned scraps:

- 508 2”x2” squares from warm toned scraps for the corners of the snowball blocks (4 per block)

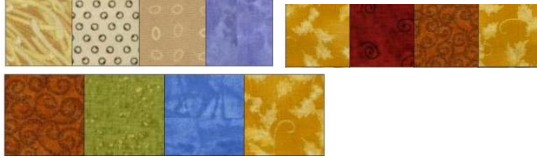
Borders:

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Construct blocks:

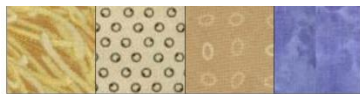
How to make the 16 patch scrappy block.

Using your segments previously made that look like this:



If you have pressed all seams in the same strip in one direction, it is easy to nest your seams.

Add one row at a time until it is a 16 patch:



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Then



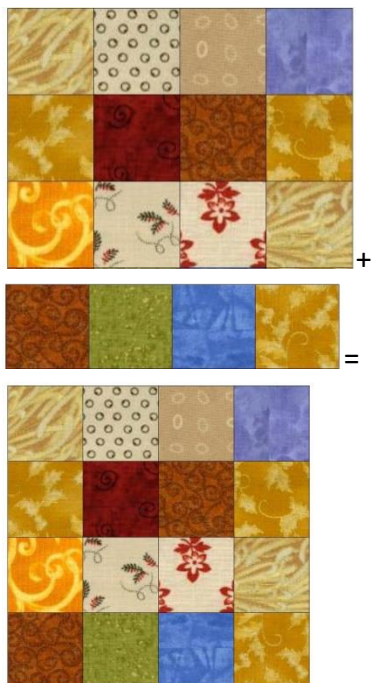
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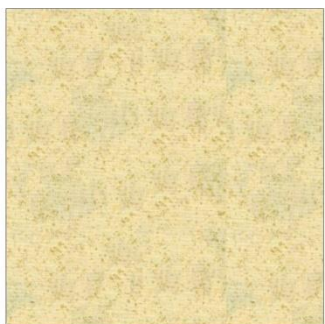


Make 128. (Like how I wrote that just as if it were “make 28”?) You’ll be tired of making them by the time you are finished!

How to make the snowballed block:

For each snowballed block, you will need 1- 6.5” square and 4 - 2” scrappy squares.

- Fold and press each of your 2” squares in half diagonally, creasing down the middle
- Take your 6.5” off white square



- and place one of the 2” squares in the corner, right sides together. Sew across diagonally on broken line indicated:



Do this on all four corners:



- Trim off on solid line indicated – $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the outside of the stitching:



- Press the colorful pieces outward so that it now looks like this:



- Make 127 of these. They should measure 6.5"x6.5" at this point.

How to make this quilt:

1. **Construct your blocks as shown.**
2. **Lay out completed blocks according to this diagram:**

Make two different rows of blocks – one row starts with the 16 patch block and one starts with the snowball block. I used a 15x17 layout of the center (15 blocks wide and 17 blocks long).

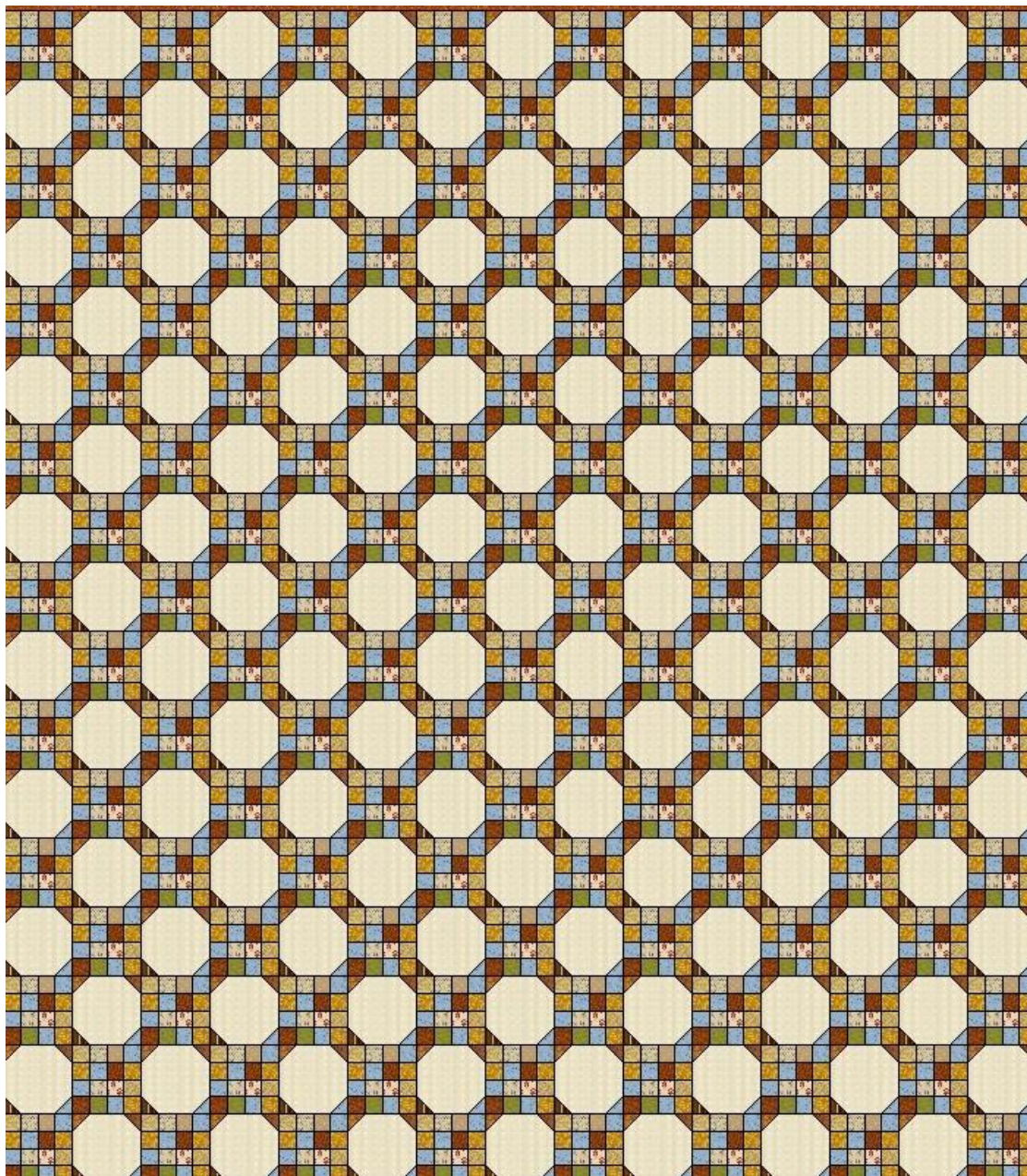
Here's the first row:



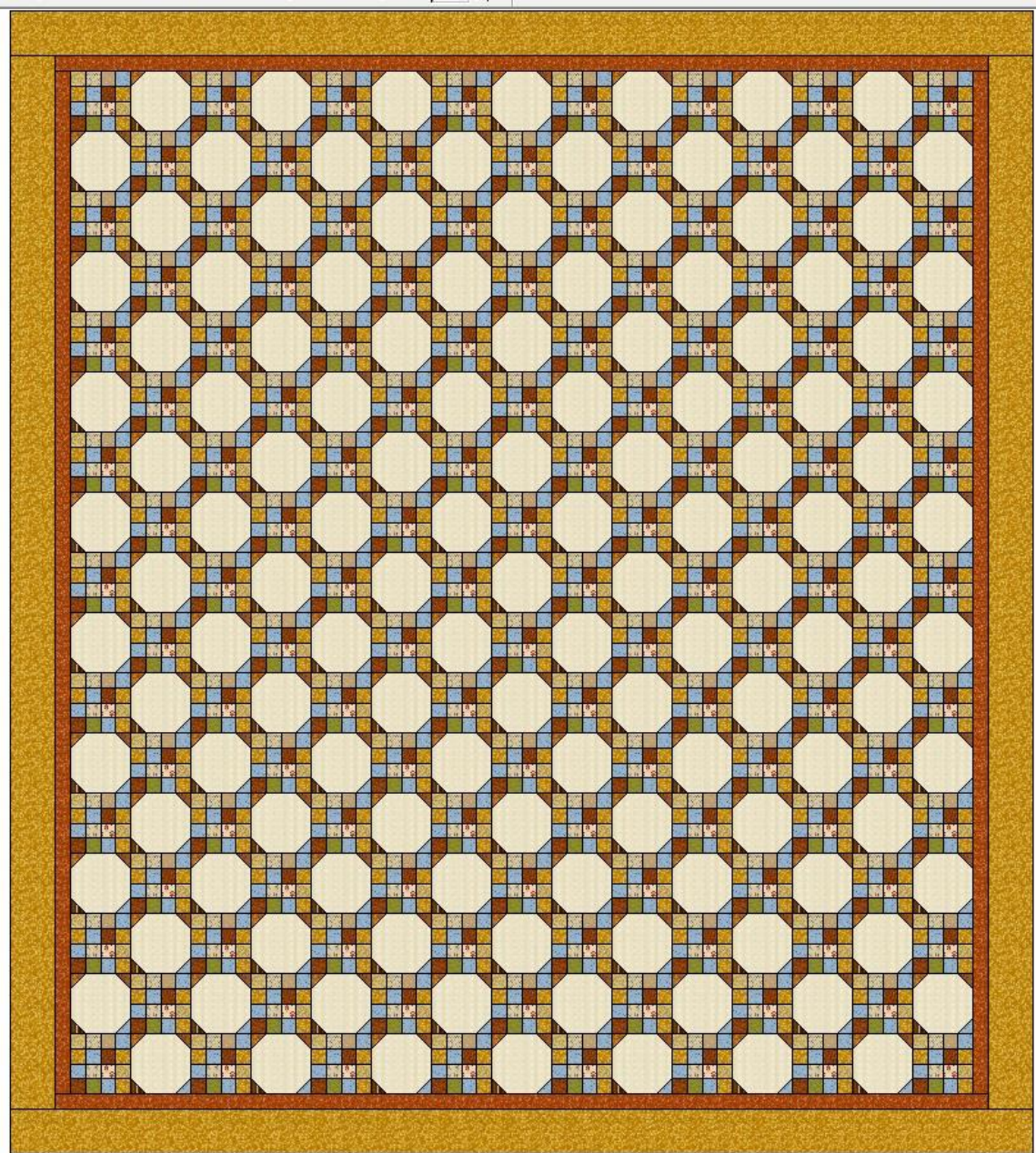
Here are the first two rows put together:



Until the whole center is finished:



3. **Sew blocks** together in rows and then sew the rows together.
4. **Press well.**
5. **Add borders** (optional, obviously).
 - a. The first border is brown and is made of strips cut 2"x WOF. Attach to the sides, and then the top and bottom (This is totally personal preference – you can attach them in any order you wish.)
 - b. The second border, cut 5"x WOF, piecing as necessary to get the length needed. My fabric was actually only 36" wide, so I had to use quite a few to get my border as this is a rather large quilt. It now looks like this:



6. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
7. **Quilt** as desired.
8. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations! Your quilt is finished!



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