## Vintage Chain

107.5"x107.5"

To make the quilt pictured:


This quilt is made up of 3 different $13.5^{\prime \prime}$ blocks (before sewing into the top) and they look like this:


## You need:

- $83 / 4$ yards of blues
- $23 / 4$ yards of white
- $31 / 8$ yards of purple
- 5/8-3/4 yards of your color choice for the binding. I am going to make a scrappy binding.


## Cut:

I am giving totals if you are going to cut blocks individually. If you are going to strip piece, look at the instructions on how to make the blocks.

## Main block 1: (need 25 blocks)

Totals for one block is shown. For the whole king size quilt, you will need the totals as shown in parenthesis. From purple:

- 17-2" squares (425)

From white:

- 4-2" squares (100)
- 10-2"x3.5" rectangles (250)

From misc. blues:

- 40-2" squares (1000)


## Main block 2: (need 12 blocks)

From white:

- 4-2" squares (48)
- 4-2"x3.5" rectangles (48)

From misc. blues:

- $69-2$ " squares (828)


## Main block 3: (need 12 blocks)

From misc. blues:

- $81-2^{\prime \prime}$ squares ( 1656 )

Borders are dealt with later under how to make the quilt.

How to make these blocks:

## Main block 1:



Make 25 blocks.
I made rows of strips and kept them in plastic boxes.

## Rows 1 and 9:

Using the pattern as a guide, I sewed together strips. For the first row I sewed a 2 " purple strip, then 7 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strips, and then another $2^{\prime \prime}$ purple strip. I press all one direction and sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals. I made 50 such strips and kept them all together.


Rows 2 and 8:

Repeat for row 2 except I used a 2" white strip, 2" purple strip, 5 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strips, a $2^{\prime \prime}$ purple and a 2" white strip. Press all one direction. Sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals. Make 50 such strips. Keep separate from Rows 1 and 9. (It makes it easier when you put your blocks together.


Rows 3 and 7:
Use a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip, $2^{\prime \prime}$ purple strip, 3 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strips, a 2 " purple and a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip. Press all one direction. Sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals.

Make 50 such strips.


Rows 4 and 6:
Use a 2" blue strip, $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip, $2^{\prime \prime}$ purple strip, $12^{\prime \prime}$ blue strip, a 2" purple, a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip and a $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strip.. Press all one direction. Sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals.

Make 50 such strips.


## Row 5:

Use 2 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strips, a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip, a $2^{\prime \prime}$ purple strip, a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip, and 2 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ blue strips. Press all one direction. Sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals.

Make 25 such strips! (Because they are the center of the block you do not need to make 50 since you only use 1 in each block.)


After all the strips are together, sew them together, watching the diagram, and make sure you don't get things mixed up. Make 25 blocks using the strips you have just made. Sew a Row 1 strip to Row 2, then Row 3, Row 4 and Row 5, etc.

## Main block 2:



Make 12 blocks.
I used a $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip, 5 different $2^{\prime \prime}$ strips and another $3.5^{\prime \prime}$ white strip. I sewed them together, pressed to one side and sub cut at $2^{\prime \prime}$ intervals. The final strip looks like this:

Make 24 strips:


And 24 like this:
I used a 2" white strip, 7 different 2" blue strips and a final 2" white strip. Sub cut at 2" intervals to make strips that looks like:


You will also need 60 strips of 9 blue 2"squares sewn together like:


Press all seams to one side.

After all the strip sets for the block are sewn together, make your 12 blocks nesting seams and using the diagram above.

## Main block 3:



Make 12 blocks.
Using either 2" squares or strips as described above, make a row of 2 " blue squares that is 9 squares wide.


Make 9 of these strips per block.
Press the rows of squares to one direction. Sew 9 strips together to make one block. You will need 108 strips of $9,2^{\prime \prime}$ blue squares for the 12 blocks needed here. When constructing your blocks, simply nest the seams and sew your rows together.

## How to make this quilt:

1. Using this diagram, lay out your blocks. I did mine in rows. I sewed two rows together, making sure the design was right before I sewed the next row on. Use this chart to help you know which main block goes where. Use the diagram just below to help you with the colors.

| 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 |



First I made 4 rows of blocks like this:


And3 rows like this


I added the rows together until it was finished. This way I checked for mistakes as I went along.

This is a $7 \times 7$ block layout:
2. Add white border

From white -

- Cut 2"xWOF (width of fabric) and piece until you have two pieces that are 2"x95" Sew to sides. 4
- Cut 2"xWOF and piece until you have two pieces that are 2 "x98" Sew to top and bottom.


## 3. Add purple border

From purple -

- Cut 5.5"xWOF and piece until you have two pieces that are $5.5^{\prime \prime} \times 98^{\prime \prime}$ Sew to sides.
- Cut $5 / 5^{\prime \prime} x W O F$ and piece until you have two pieces that are $5.5^{\prime \prime} \times 108$ " Sew to top and bottom.

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!
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Here is a close up.


Here is a layout in cheery 1930's colors:


If you like the look but want a smaller quilt, making it as a $5 \times 7$ layout would yield a quilt that is 87.5 " $\times 87.5^{\prime \prime}$ | preferred the larger size so that the design showed up better


If you do not care about the normal symmetry that I like in such a chain quilt, here is a $6 \times 6$ layout:



This is an $11 \times 11$ layout and would be 99 " $\times 99^{\prime \prime}$ without any borders. Just beautiful!

