Merry & Bright Christmas Lights

MERRY & BRIGHT FABRIC COLLECTION BY KIM CHRISTOPHERSON OF KIMBERBELL DESIGNS FOR MAYWOOD STUDIO



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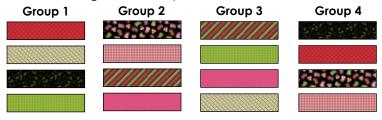
48½" x 56" quilt by Kim Christopherson Merry & Bright! fabric by Kim Christopherson of Kimberbell Designs for Maywood Studio

Seam Allowance: 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

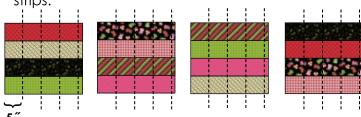
See back of pattern for materials and cutting.

SEW & CUT the Following:

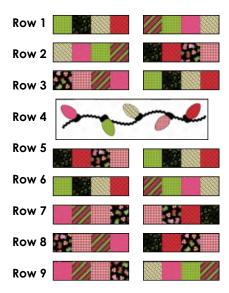
1. Gather your 16 strips from Fabrics 1-8. Arrange them into 4 groups with 4 strips in each group. Mix up the order in each group. Right sides together (RST), sew one strip to the next, along each long side, and press.



2. With a ruler and rotary cutter, subcut each group into (4) 5" wide strips (as shown with the dashed lines below.) You will have a total of (16) 5 x 21" strips.



3. Rotate and arrange strips, along with Fabric 9, as shown in the diagram below. The strips can be in any order.



- 4. RST, sew together the two strips in each row. Press seams.
- 5. RST, sew one row to the next. Press seams.
- 6. Gather your (5) 1 ½" x WOF strips for your inner border. Sew the short ends of three strips together to make a long strip for your vertical inner borders. Press seams and set aside. (*Note: The other 2 strips are reserved for your horizontal inner borders.)
- 7. Now measure your quilt lengthwise down the middle. Cut (2) 1 ½" x "length of quilt" strips from what you made in Step 6.
- 8. RST, sew strips to the vertical sides of quilt. Press seams toward border.
- Measure the width of your quilt through the middle (including the borders you just added).
 Cut (2) 1 ½ "x" width of quilt" strips (from Fabric 10).
- 10. RST, sew each strip to the horizontal sides of quilt. Press seams.
- 11. It's now time to add the outer border. Gather two of your 5 ½ "x WOF strips for your outer border. These two strips will first be added to each horizontal side of the quilt. With the remaining 3 strips, sew short end to short end to create one long strip and set aside.
- 12. Measure the quilt widthwise across the center. Using the 2 strips you gathered in Step 11, cut (2) 5 ½ x "width of quilt" strips.
- 13. RST, sew strips to the horizontal sides of quilt. Press seams toward border.
- 14. Measure the quilt lengthwise down the middle. From the 3 strips that you sewed together in Step 11, cut (2) 5 ½ " x "length of quilt" strips.
- 15. RST, sew strips to the vertical sides of quilt. Press seams toward border.

You're almost finished!
The quilt is now ready for appliqué...



APPLIQUÉ the FOLLOWING:

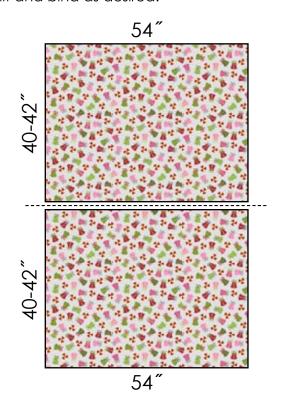
- 1. Trace 5 Christmas light shapes onto the paper side of the fusible web. Simply lay your fusible web over the pattern and trace with a pencil.
- 2. Cut around each traced shape, cutting just outside the lines.
- 3. Iron the fusible shapes to the wrong side any of the remaining scrap fabrics.
- 4. Cut out each shape directly on the lines and peel away the paper backing and set aside.
- 5. Refer to photo, for help with the placement of the rick rack. Place the 1 yard of rick rack across Fabric 9. Notice how it is placed so that it is curves a bit.
 - To keep ends from fraying, either heat-seal each end or use a product called, Fray CheckTM.
 - Using a straight stitch on your sewing machine, top-stitch down the middle of the rick rack. You can temporarily keep the rick rack in place by using a glue stick or straight pin to hold.

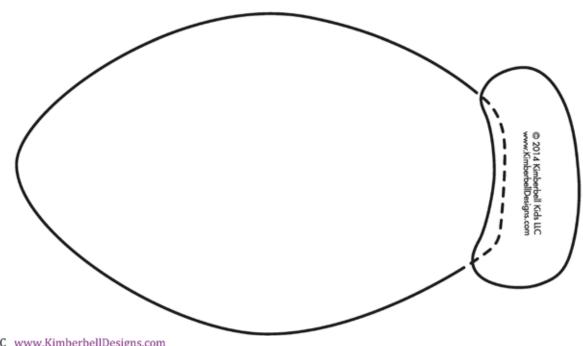
*Note: If you'd rather not sew the rick rack, you can also use a permanent fabric glue (ex: Liquid StitchTM) to attach to background.

- 6. With a warm iron, fuse each shape into place.
- 7. Zigzag or blanket stitch around the raw edges of each shape with coordinating or contrasting thread.

Piecing the Back of Your Quilt Together:

- 1. Cut your backing fabric into (2) 1 ½ yards x WOF. (1 ½ yards = 54")
- 2. Lay out the fabric, as shown below. RST, sew the two pieces with a 1/2" seam allowance. Quilt and bind as desired.





1" square box
Use to check
for correct
scale after
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| FABRIC | SKU / YARDAGE | CUT | TO YIELD / NOTES |
| 1444444444 1444444444 | MAS8206-G 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
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| 3 | MAS8207-W 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 4 | MAS8209-R 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 5 | MAS8203-J 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 6 | MAS8206-RW 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 7 | MAS8204-J 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 8 | MAS8210-P 1 Fat Quarter | (2) 5" x 21" strips | For background blocks. Save remaining fabric for the Chrismas light appliqués |
| 9 | MAS8208-WW ⅓ yd | (1) 10" x 36½" strip | For the Christmas lights background |
| 10 | MAS8210-J ¼yd | (5) 1½" x WOF strips | For inner border. Save remaining for tops of appliqué Christmas lights |
| 11 | MAS8200-K ⅓ yd | (5) 5½" x WOF strips | For outer border |
| 12 | MAS8210-R ⅓ yd | (6) 2¼" x strips | For binding |
| 13 | MAS8203-K 3 yds | | For backing |
| Black Ric Rac | GAN765029-030 1 yd | | For Christmas lights string |
| Fusible Web | (for example: Heat N Bond Lite™) | | For appliqué Christmas lights |

