



# Letter from the Editor The ImPossible Dream

If you think that creating a bed-size quilt can't possibly be easy and quick, I have wonderful news for you! The three patterns gathered here beautifully demonstrate that good design coupled with clear, accurate instructions can help you achieve this seemingly impossible dream in no time. Whether you prefer feminine, floral designs...a country/patriotic look...or something cool and contemporary, there's a quilt pattern here to help you sew and decorate, in style. Gather some favorite fabrics, read through the pattern, and get started. You'll soon be dreaming of your next quilt, snuggled under one of these easy, quick, bed-size beauties!

Happy quilting,

Beth Hayes, Editor-in-Chief

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# plan

Margaret's lovely quilt is a true classic...a simple repeating block design made with pretty fabrics, finished with 2 straight borders. This would be a great quilt for trying your first diagonal setting. When cutting the green/pink large floral, cut lengthwise border strips and binding strips first, then the 37/8" squares, to make the best use of your fabric.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*

# shop

\*See Plan.

border, binding) 23/4 yds.\*

Pink swirl print (blocks, inner border) 2 yds.

White/green/pink floral **and** green/pink small floral (blocks) 1 yd. **each**Green-on-green print (setting squares and triangles) 3 yds.

Backing (piece widthwise) 71/2 yds.

Batting Queen size

Green/pink large floral (block centers, outer

# cut

Green/pink large floral

\*4 strips 41/2" x 94", cut on lengthwise grain

\*4 strips 21/2" x 94", cut on lengthwise grain (binding)

40 squares 37/8" x 37/8"

Pink swirl print

\*2 strips 21/2" x 90", pieced from 5 width of fabric (WOF) strips

\*2 strips 21/2" x 76", pieced from 4 WOF strips

40 squares 37/8" x 37/8"

80 squares 31/2" x 31/2"

White/green/pink floral and green/pink small floral—cut from each:

80 squares 31/2" x 31/2"

Green-on-green print

\*4 squares  $19\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $19\frac{1}{2}$ ", cut in half twice diagonally to make 16 quarter-square triangles (2 left over)

12 squares 121/2" x 121/2"

2 squares 10" x 10", cut in half diagonally to make 4 halfsquare triangles

\*Cut first.



# sew

- 1 Draw diagonal line on wrong side of green/pink large floral 37/8" square. Referring to **Diagram I-A**, place marked square on pink 37/8" square, right sides together. Sew 1/4" seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked
- line. Press open to make pieced squares. Make 80. Sew 4 pieced squares together to make block center (Diagram I-B). Make 20.

  2 Sew hat to really pieced squares together to make block center (Diagram II). Make 80.
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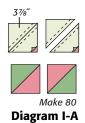




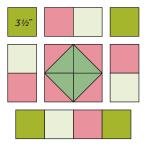


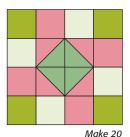




Diagram II

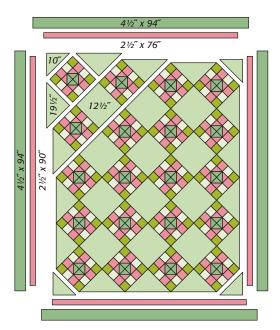
3 Referring to **Diagram III**, sew 3 rows using 4 green/pink small floral squares, 4 pieced rectangles, and block center. Sew rows together to make Nelson's Victory Variation Block. Make 20.





**Diagram III** 

- 4 Note: Refer to Assembly Diagram for following steps. The setting triangles on all edges and corners are cut oversized to allow trimming quilt edges even after assembly. Sew 8 diagonal rows using 19½" quarter-square triangles, blocks, and 12½" setting squares. Sew rows together. Stitch 10" half-square triangles to corners. Trim edges even.
- 5 Sew pink 90" strips to sides; trim even with top and bottom. Sew remaining pink strips to top/bottom; trim even with sides. Stitch green/pink large floral 4½" x 94" strips to sides; trim even. Stitch remaining 4½" x 94" strips to top/bottom; trim even.
- 6 Layer, baste, and quilt. Margaret machine quilted feathered wreaths in the setting squares and feather motifs in



**Assembly Diagram** 

the setting triangles. Blocks and setting squares/triangles were stitched in the ditch, and a floral motif added to the block centers. White/green/pink and green small floral squares were filled with a looping meander, and the borders feature a continuous feather design. Bind with green/pink large floral.





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# Birds of a Feather Designe



**Designed by** Maria Umhey

**Finished Quilt Size** 811/2" x 811/2"

**Number of Blocks and Finished Size** 16 Dove in the Window Blocks 14" x 14"

# You Need:

Assorted cream 1-11/4 yds. textures total Assorted blue, red, and brown prints 21/4-23/4 and textures yds. total Cream/tan texture (sashing) 2 yds. Tan/cream print (sashing posts) 1/2 yd. Navy texture (sashing posts, outer border, 21/2 yds. binding) Red texture (inner border) 3/4 yd. Backing 75/8 yds. **Batting** Queen size

# Plan

Maria arranged her small pieced squares symmetrically when making most of the large pieced squares for her blocks (see Diagram II). To do likewise, be sure to keep matching pairs of small pieced squares together as they are completed in Step 1. However, keep in mind that part of the charm of a scrap quilt is in its variations. You may choose to use a more random arrangement for some of your blocks. Maria even substituted fourpatch squares for 2 of the matching 41/2" assorted print squares when making her blocks. If you'd like to do the same, cut 2 sets of 4 matching 21/2" squares each and stitch 4 squares together, alternating fabrics, to make each four patch.



# Cut

Assorted cream textures-cut a total of:

128 squares 21/8" x 21/8" Assorted blue, red, **and** brown prints and textures

# cut 32 matching sets of:

2 squares 21/2" x 21/2" 2 squares 41/2" x 41/2"

# cut a total of:

128 squares 21/8" x 21/8" Cream/tan texture \*8 strips 61/2" x width of fabric (WOF) 32 strips 21/2" x 61/2" Tan/cream print

4 strips 21/2" x WOF

Navy texture

\*4 strips 6" x 84", cut on lengthwise grain

\*5 strips 21/2" x 80", cut on lengthwise grain (binding)

25 squares 21/2" x 21/2"

Red texture

4 strips 21/2" x 74", pieced from 8 WOF strips

\*Cut first.



# Sew

 Draw diagonal line on wrong side of cream 27/8" square. Referring to **Diagram I**, place marked square on assorted 27/8" square, right sides together. Sew 1/4" seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked line. Press open to make small pieced squares. Make 256 total, keeping matching pairs together if desired (see Plan).









Make 256 total

Diagram I

2 Referring to **Diagram II**, use matching 21/2" and 41/2" squares and 4 small pieced squares to make large pieced square. Make 64 total.





Diagram II

3 Sew cream/tan texture WOF strips to sides of tan/cream print strip (Diagram III). Make 4. Press in direction of arrows. Cut into 56 segments 21/2" wide for sashing.

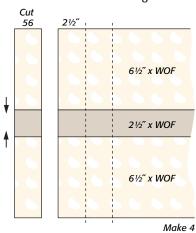


Diagram III

4 Referring to **Diagram IV**, use 2 pairs of large pieced squares made with matching 41/2" squares, 2 cream/tan texture 21/2" x 61/2" strips, and sashing strip to make Dove in the Window Block. Make 16 total.





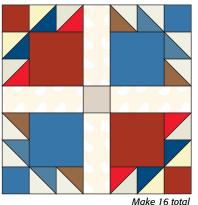
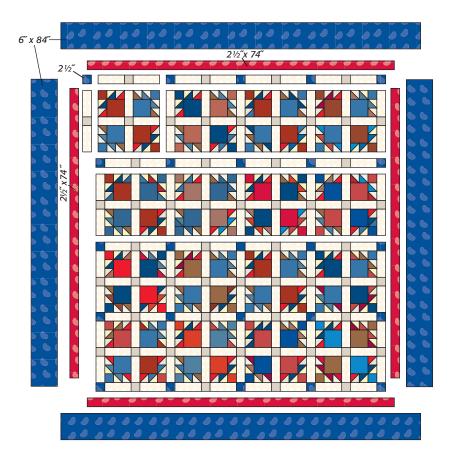


Diagram IV

5 To make sashing row, stitch 5 navy texture  $2\frac{1}{2}$  squares together with 4 sashing strips, alternating (**Assembly Diagram**). Make 5. To make block row, stitch 5 sashing strips together with 4 blocks, alternating. Make 4. Sew rows together, alternating sashing and block rows.

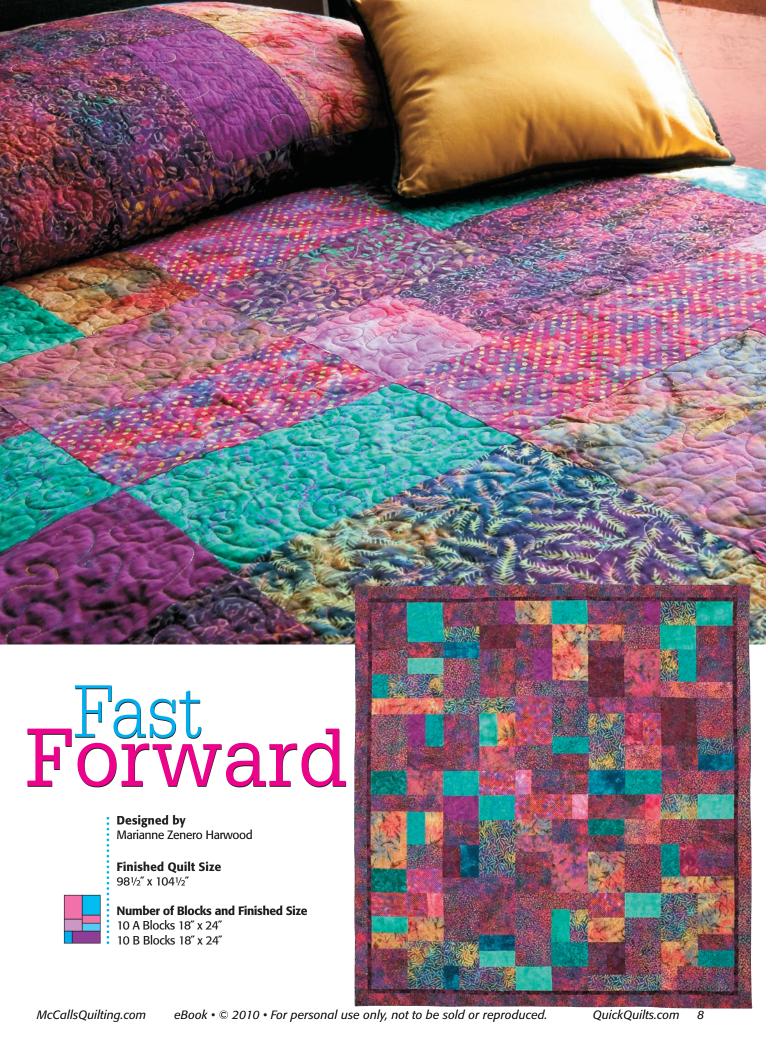
6 Stitch red texture strips to sides; trim even with top and bottom. Stitch remaining red strips to top/bottom; trim even with sides. Sew navy 84" strips to sides; trim even. Sew remaining navy 84" strips to top/bottom; trim even.

7 Layer, baste, and quilt. The feature quilt was machine quilted in the ditch. Pairs of curved lines were added to the 41/2" squares, and the outer border features a single cable. Bind with navy texture.



Assembly Diagram





# You Need:

Assorted batiks (blocks) Purple batik (inner border)

Purple variegated batik (outer border, binding) Backing (piece widthwise)

**Batting** \*See Plan.

8-9 yds. **total** 5⁄8 yd. 3 yds.\* 9 yds. King size

# **Block A**



# Block B



Two simple large-scale blocks make Marianne's design one of the fastest bed-size quilts you will ever stitch.

# Plan

Marianne cut some block patches from her outer border/binding fabric. Be sure to cut the border strips and binding first, then as many block patches as you like from the remaining border fabric.

# Cut

Assorted batiks—cut a total of:

10 rectangles 91/2" x 121/2"

40 rectangles 61/2" x 91/2"

10 rectangles 91/2" x 101/2"

20 strips 41/2" x 91/2"

10 rectangles 41/2" x 61/2"

10 strips 61/2" x 141/2"

20 rectangles 5" x 81/2"

10 rectangles 91/2" x 141/2"

10 strips 41/2" x 181/2"

Purple batik

4 strips 11/2" x 100", pieced from 10 width of fabric (WOF) strips

Purple variegated batik

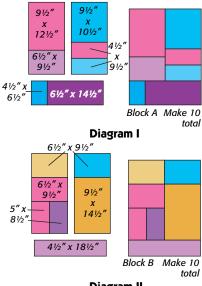
4 strips 31/2" x 102", cut on

lengthwise grain

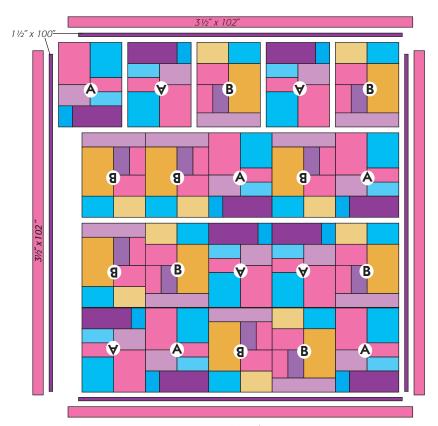
5 strips 21/2" x 90", cut on lengthwise grain (binding)

# Sew

 Referring to Diagrams I and II, make 20 total blocks, 10 of each arrangement.



- 2 Sew 4 rows of 5 blocks each, rotating as shown in **Assembly Diagram**. Sew rows together.
- 3 Stitch purple strips to sides; trim even with top and bottom. Stitch remaining purple strips to top/bottom; trim even with sides. Sew purple variegated 102" strips to sides; trim even. Sew remaining 102" strips to top/bottom; trim even.
- 4 Layer, baste, and quilt. The feature quilt was machine quilted in a large meander. Bind with purple variegated batik.



**Assembly Diagram**