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Wondering what to do with all those 5- and 10-inch squares?

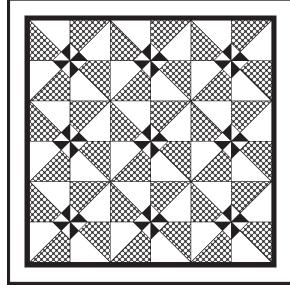
"The answer my friend is blowing in the wind!" Whip up this "charming" lap quilt with pinwheels spinning double time. You'll feel "free as a breeze."

## Fabric requirements

- large triangles (pieces A & C) one package of 10" x 10" squares with at least 36 squares, mixed equally with light and dark squares
- small light triangles (piece D) one package (coordinating with the above fabric) of  $5'' \times 5''$  squares with at least 18 light squares

Alternative for pieces A, C and D: 1-3/4 yards of one light fabric (pieces A & D) and 1-1/2 yards of one dark fabric (piece C)

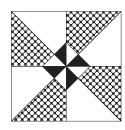
- small "pinwheel" triangles (piece B) 1/4 yard of a single color that will "pop" for the center pinwheels
- first border 1/3 yard
- second border 3/4 yard
- backing 3-1/2 yards
- binding 5/8 yards



approximately 57-3/4" x 57-3/4"



block unit make 36  $(8-1/8" \times 8-1/8" \text{ finished})$ 



quilt block make 9 — each with four units  $(16-1/4" \times 16-1/4" \text{ finished})$ 

**Cut** — read all directions before cutting; refer to diagram one

large triangles (pieces A & C) — cut 18 light and 18 dark  $9" \times 9"$  squares

small light triangles (piece D) — cut 18 light 3-3/8" x 3-3/8" squares

small "pinwheel" triangles (piece B) — cut 18 "pop" 3-3/8" x 3-3/8" squares

Note: cut all squares in half diagonally as shown in diagram one

first border — cut six strips 1-1/2" x wof\*; cut two of these strips in half to equal four pieces 1-1/2" x 20"; sew these four 20" pieces onto the ends of the remaining four 1-1/2" x wof\* strips

second border — cut six strips 3-3/4" x wof\*; cut two of these strips in half to equal four pieces 3-3/4" x 20"; sew these four 20" pieces onto the ends of the remaining four 3-3/4" x wof\* strips

wof\* — width of fabric

## diagram one















## Construction

All seams are 1/4"

- 1. Take all triangles B and all triangles D and put them into stacks with the wrong-sides up matching the orientation shown in diagram two. Mark a 1/4" seam on each triangle exactly as shown. You will use this seam line for placement and as your seam allowance.
- 2. Following the orientation in diagram three, with right-sides together, match the top of the marked seam line (from step 1) with the edge of the larger triangle. Sew one triangle B onto each triangle A. Then sew one triangle D onto each triangle C. Trim off the excess corner. Press. See diagram three.
- 3. Sew triangle A/B onto triangle C/D. See diagram four. Make 36 block units.
- 4. Sew four block units together to make one quilt block. Make nine quilt blocks. See diagram five.
- 5. Sew three rows with three blocks each. Sew these three rows together to form quilt center. Refer to main quilt drawing.
- 6. Sew first border strips onto the edges of quilt center. Trim ends as needed.
- 7. Sew second border strips onto the edges of first border. Trim ends as needed.
- 8. Baste, quilt, bind and enjoy!

More fun: This unit and block will work well in other sizes. Just be sure to stick with a light value (pieces A & D), a dark value (piece C) and "pop" color (piece B).

## Cut:

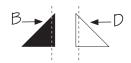
big squares (pieces A & C) — 6-3/4" x 6-3/4" small squares (pieces B & C) — 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" finished block unit — 5-7/8" x 5-7/8" finished block — 11-3/4" x 11-3/4"

big squares (pieces A & C) — 5-1/2" x 5-1/2" small squares (pieces B & C) — 2" x 2" finished block unit — 4-5/8" x 4-5/8" finished block — 9-1/4" x 9-1/4"

big squares (pieces A & C) —  $5" \times 5"$  small squares (pieces B & C) —  $1-7/8" \times 1-7/8"$  finished block unit —  $4-1/8" \times 4-1/8"$  finished block —  $8-1/4" \times 8-1/4"$ 

This pattern has been provided to you by:

diagram two



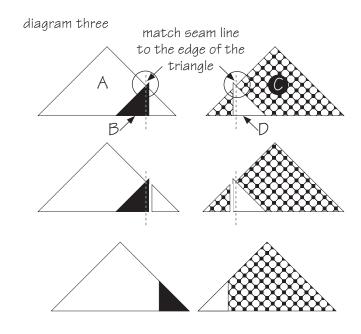


diagram four



diagram five

