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## Pony Express Map Panel

- Cut 4 strips tan gun print (21837-34) 11/2" x WOF (width of fabric).

1. Do not pre-wash the panel. Printed fabric panels can vary in size based on printing, storage, humidity, and other factors.

2. Press your panel and square it up, if necessary, using a steam iron. Measure the panel in several places so you know its exact size.
3. If the panel is large enough, trim it to $42-1 / 2$ " $\times 24-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. Skip to step 6.
4. If your panel is too small, trim it to $41-1 / 2$ " $\times 23-1 / 2$ ", centering the map with equal borders on each side.
5. Then sew a $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strip of tan gun print fabric (21837-34) around all sides of the panel. Press the seam toward the panel, and make sure the fabric addition is flat and square. Carefully trim the framed panel to $42-1 / 2$ " $\times 24-1 / 2$ ".
6. If you are making the small map wall hanging, you are ready to add the pieced border. Skip the next section of the pattern and go right to the border instructions on page 12.
7. If you are making the large throw quilt (the panel and the 8 star blocks) proceed to the next section and make the eight state star blocks, and cut the sashing indicated below.

## Sashing \& Setting:

- Cut (3) strips of tan gun print (21837-34) 42-1/2" x 2-1/2".
- Cut an additional 2-1/2" strip of the tan gun print to piece these 42-1/2" strips, if necessary.
- Cut (10) strips of tan gun print (2183734) $1-3 / 4 " \times 9-1 / 2 "$.


## Assembly Instructions:



1. After the eight blocks have been completed, arrange the blocks into two rows. Sew a l-3/4" x 9-1/2" sashing strip between each block and on both ends of the rows. Press toward the sashing strips.
2. Sew a long sashing strip between rows. Make sure that the blocks in each row line up across the sashing strip. Sew another long sashing strip to the top and the bottom of the joined rows of blocks. The completed sashed block unit should measure 42-1/2" x 24-1/2".
3. Sew the panel section and the 8 block section together.

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 4 squares | $2-3 / 4 \prime$ |  | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Gun print | 1 square | $5-3 / 4 \prime \prime$ | Cut on both <br> diagonals | B |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue <br> postmark | 2 squares | $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |  | C |
|  | Dark blue <br> postmark | 1 square | $3-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |  | D |
| $21835-24$ | Red post- <br> mark | 2 squares | $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |  | E |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail <br> print | 2 squares | $3-1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | Cut on one <br> Diagonal | F |



## Block Assembly Instructions:

1. Sew the long side of a tan gun print $F$ triangle to the side of the dark blue $D$
 square. Press toward F. Repeat for the opposite side of the D square.
2. Sew the long side of a tan gun print $F$ triangle to the two remaining sides of the dark blue D square. Press toward D. This is the completed central unit
 and should measure 5" square.
3. Place a red postmark E square on top of a dark blue C square, right sides together and edges even. Draw 2 diagonal lines on the wrong side of the red E square as shown (right).
4. Sew $l / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on both sides of one of the diagonal lines as illustrated (right).
5. Cut on both diagonal lines. Open the QSTs (quarter square triangles) and press the seam toward the dark blue side. Repeat steps 4 and 5 with the second set of red postmark and blue postmark squares. Make a total of 8 QSTs.
6. Sew the long side of a red and blue QST (from step 5) to both short sides of the tan gun print B triangles with red toward the point of the B triangle. Align the
 seam on the QST's with the midpoint on the side of the B triangle. Press toward the QSTs. This creates a flying geese unit. Make 4. The completed flying geese unit should measure 2$3 / 4$ " x 5".
7. Assemble the block in three horizontal rows. For Row $l$ and Row 3 sew an A square to both ends of a flying geese unit. Press toward the A squares. Make 2.
8. For Row 2 sew a flying geese unit to two opposite sides of the central pieced unit (points touching). Press the seams toward the central pieced unit.
9. Sew Row 1 to Row 2 matching seams, midpoints, and ends. Press this seam open. Sew Row 3 to Row 2 matching seams, midpoints, and ends. Press this
 seam open. The completed block should measure 9-1/2" square.

Kansas Star 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 10 squares | $2-3 / 8 "$ | Cut on one <br> Diagonal | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $21835-24$ | Red post- <br> mark | 4 squares | $2-3 / 8 \prime$ | Cut on one <br> Diagonal | B |
| $21832-34$ | Mail print | 4 squares | $2-3 / 8 \prime \prime$ | Cut on one <br> Diagonal | C |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue <br> postmark | 5 squares | $2-5 / 8 \prime$ |  | D |
| $21835-68$ | Dark brown <br> postmark | 4 squares | $2-5 / 8 "$ |  | E |



## Block Assembly Instructions:

1. 4 Corner Blocks-Unit 1: Sew the long side of a tan gun print $A$ triangle to the side of the dark blue D square. Press toward A. Repeat for the opposite side of the dark blue D square with a red postmark B triangle. (See optional foundation pattern.)
2. Sew the long side of a tan gun print $A$ triangle to the two remaining sides of the dark blue D square. Press toward D. Make 4. The complete SNS (Square in a Square) block should measure 3-1/2" square.
3. 4 Side Blocks-Unit 2: Sew the long side of a tan gun print $A$ triangle to the side of the dark brown E square. Press toward A. Repeat for the opposite side of the dark brown E square with a tan mail print C triangle.
4. Sew the long side of a tan gun print $A$ triangle to the third side of the dark brown E square. Press toward E. On the remaining side of the dark brown E square sew a tan mail print C triangle. Make 4.
5. Center Block-Unit 3: Sew the long side of a red postmark B triangle to one side of the remaining blue $D$ square. Sew another red $B$ triangle to the opposite side of the blue D square. Press both seams away from the center square.

6. Sew the two remaining red $B$ triangles to the other two sides of the blue $D$ square. Press both seams toward the center square.
7. Assemble three rows. Row 1 has a single Unit 2 block between two Unit 1 blocks. Row 3 is the same as Row l. Press the seams toward the Unit l (outer) blocks.
8. Row 2 has a Unit 2 block on either side of the Unit 3 block. Be sure that the $\tan$ print is toward Unit 3 . Press the seams toward Unit 3.
9. Sew rows 1 and 2 together, matching seams, points, \& ends. Sew row 3 to row 2 matching seams, points, \& ends. Press seams open. Completed block should measure 9-1/2" square.

Nebraska Windmills 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 4 rectangles | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | Gun print | 4 template B |  | B |
|  | Gun print | 4 template C |  | C |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | 4 template D |  | D |
|  | Dark blue postmark | 4 squares | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | E1 |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail print | 5 squares | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | E2 |
| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 4 template F |  | F |



## Block assembly instructions:

1. Using the templates on the Template Pattern Page, cut out 4 each of templates B and C from the gun print. Cut out 4 of template D from the blue dark blue postmark print, and 4 of template F from the red postmark print.
2. Sew a tan gun print $B$ triangle to the top of the dark blue $D$ patch. Press the seam toward D. The BD Unit should measure 2-1/2" x 3-1/2". Make 4.
3. Sew a tan gun print $C$ triangle to the top of the red postmark F patch. Press the seam toward C. The CF Unit should measure 2-1/2" x 3-1/2". Make 4
4. Sew a BD Unit to a CF unit, matching seams. Press seam
 toward CF. The combined BE/CF Unit should measure 3-1/2" x 4-1/2". Make 4.
5. Sew a tan print A rectangle to the blue (D) side of the Step 4 unit. Press the seam toward A. This unit should measure 3-1/2" x 6-1/2". Make 4. Set aside while you make the center.
6. Combine the dark blue El squares and tan mail print E2 squares to form a 9 patch, with the mail print in the corners and center. Sew 2 rows made of $\{E 1, \mathrm{E} 2, \mathrm{El}\}$ to make the top and bottom rows of the nine-patch block. Sew 1 row made of $\{E 2, E 1, E 2\}$ to make the center row of the nine-patch block. In all three rows press the seams toward El (tan mail print) square.
7. Sew the three rows together, matching seams. Press the seam between rows $l$ and 2 toward row l. Press the seam between rows 2 and 3 toward row 3. Completed
nine-patch should measure 3-1/2" square.
8. Sew a partial seam between the bottom right edge of the large ADF unit (from Step 5), and the top of the center nine-patch. Stop about $3 / 4$ " before the left edge of the nine patch. See the thick black line in the illustration (right). Leave the remainder of this seam open.


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9. Sew the bottom of the \#2 unit to the right side of the \#l unit and the center nine-patch (perpendicular to the partial seam). Press the seam toward the block center.
10. Sew on Unit \#3 in the same manner as Unit \#2 (in step 9).
11. Sew on Unit \#4 in the same manner as Unit \#3.
12. Complete the partial seam joining Unit 4 to Unit 1. Press seams away from the block center. Completed block should measure 91/2" square.


Colorado Star 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 6 squares | $3-1 / 4 \prime$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 2 squares | $3-1 / 4$ " | B |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail print | 2 squares | $3-1 / 4$ " | C |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | 4 squares | $3-1 / 4 \prime \prime$ | D |
| $21835-68$ | Dark brown postmark | 2 squares | $3-1 / 4 \prime$ | E |

## Block Assembly Instructions:



1. This block is assembled from 16 half square triangles (HSTs).
2. To make a HST place two fabric squares right sides together and edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite corner on the back of the lighter fabric. Sew a $1 / 4$ " seam on both sides of the diagonal line as in the illustration (right). Cut apart on the diagonal line. Open the HST block and press the seam allowance toward the darker fabric. Trim the HST
 to $2-3 / 4$ " square. One set of squares (2 different fabrics) make two HST blocks.
3. Use the gun print (A) squares and the dark blue postmark (D) squares to make 8 HSTs. Pair four tan gun print squares and four dark blue postmark squares to make four sets of squares. Mark the diagonal line on the lighter fabric, and sew on either side of the diagonal line. Cut apart on the diagonal line. Open the (AD) HSTs and press toward the dark blue. Make 8.
4. Pair two tan gun print (A) squares and two red postmark (B) squares to make two sets of squares. Mark the diagonal line on the lighter fabric, and sew on either side of the diagonal line. Cut apart on the diagonal line. Open the (AB) HSTs and press toward the red print. Make 4.
5. Pair two tan mail print (C) squares and two dark brown postmark (E) squares to make two sets of squares. Mark the diagonal line on the lighter fabric, and sew on either side of the diagonal line. Cut apart on the diagonal line. Open the (CE) HSTs and press toward the brown print. Make 4. Be sure to trim all of the HSTs to $2-3 / 4$ " square.
6. Assemble the block in four rows of four HSTs. Be sure you have the HSTs oriented in the right direction before sewing them together. Refer to the color illustration (above).
7. Sew row $l$ and 2 together matching $t$ seams. Sew row 3 and 4 together matching seams.
8. Sew rows $l / 2$ to rows $3 / 4$ matching

Row l: blue/, red $\backslash$, blue/, blue <br>(press to the right)
Row 2: blue $\backslash$, brown $\backslash$, brown/, red/ (press to the left)
Row 3: red/, brown/, brown $\backslash$ blue $\backslash$ (press to the right)
Row 4: blue<br>, blue/, red $\backslash$, blue/ (press to the left) seams and ends. Press seams open.

Nevada Star 9" finished block

| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 4 squares | $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Red postmark | 4 squares | $2-3 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | B1 |
| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 4 squares | $2-3 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | B2 |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | 4 rectangles | $2^{\prime \prime} \times$ <br> $4-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | C |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail print | 1 square | $2 \prime \prime$ | D |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown postmark | 4 squares | $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | E |



## Block Assembly Instructions:

1. Place a Bl red square and a gun print B 2 square right sides together and edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of the lighter fabric square. Sew $1 / 4$ " seam on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line. (see illustration, right)
2. Open each (Bl/B2) HST (half square triangle) and press the seam toward
 the red postmark print. Square up the HSTs to $2-3 / 8$ " square. Make 8.
3. Make a four-patch unit by sewing together a red (A) square and a red and tan gun print (Bl/B2) HST. Press the seam toward A. Sew another (B1/B2) HST to a light brown (E) square. Press the seam toward E. Sew the $A B$ pair to the BE pair matching seams as shown (right). Press the
 seam open. Make 4. Four patch units should measure 4-1/4" square.
4. Sew a dark blue C rectangle between two four-patch units. Arrange the four-patch with the red postmark print square to the outside corner and the light brown square next to the dark blue rectangle. Press the seams toward C. Make 2.
5. Sew a tan gun print (D) square between two dark blue $C$ rectangles. Press the seams toward C.
6. Assemble the block in three rows with the large fourpatch units on the top and bottom rows, and the thin CDC unit in between them as shown (right). Press seams toward the center CDC row. Completed block should measure $9-1 / 2$ " square.


## Utah Star 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 1 square | $10 "$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown postmark | 2 template B |  | B1 |
| $21836-36$ | Dark brown postmark | 2 template B |  | B2 |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | 4 template C |  | C |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail print | 1 template D |  | D |
| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 1 template E |  | E |

## Block Assembly Instructions:



1. Trace template $B$ onto the fusible web backing paper adding seam allowance to the inside edges as shown on the Template Pattern Page. Trace 4. Cut out around the traced line. Fuse two of the traced template B webs to the back of the light brown postmark print, and two more to the back side of the dark brown postmark print. Cut out on the traced line.
2. Trace template $\mathbf{C}$ as one large template with four petals. DO NOT trace the four petals individually. Cut out the center of the web leaving about $1 / 4$ " of fusible webbing around the outside edges of the template. This will eliminate bulk when applique fabrics are layered. Fuse template $C$ to the back of the dark blue postmark print and cut out on the traced lines.
3. Trace one of template $D$ with all four points as one template. Fuse to the back of the tan scattered mail print. Cut out on the traced lines.
4. Trace one of template E. Cut out around template. Fuse onto the back of the red print. Cut out on the traced lines.
5. Remove the paper backing from all of the prepared applique pieces.

6. Work the rest of the block assembly on an ironing surface. Heat your iron to the setting or temperature recommended by the fusible web manufacturer.
7. To prepare the background square fold the square in half and in half again and press. Open the square. These pressed "cross hairs" will be guidelines to help you place your applique on the background fabric,
8. Position the four brown B templates, alternating light and dark, so the points on the sides of each unit touch the next unit, and touch the guidelines.
9. Place the dark blue C template on top of the brown B templates. The point of each blue petal should be positioned where two $B$ templates overlap.
10. Position templates D and E in the center of template C . Carefully arrange all the templates so they are positioned symmetrically. A pair of bent nose tweezers helps to lift and reposition applique shapes. Fuse in place.
11. Pin stabilizer to the back of the block. Edge stitch each applique piece using a machine (or hand) blanket stitch and matching thread. Remove stabilizer when all the edge stitching is complete.
12. Press the block, then trim to $9-1 / 2$ " square, centering the applique.

Wyoming Valley 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 4 squares | 2 " |  | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Gun print | 4 squares | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | HST | B |
|  | Gun print | 1 square | $4-1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | $\boxed{ }$ | C |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown <br> postmark | 2 squares | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | HST | D |
| $21836-36$ | Dark brown <br> postmark | 4 squares | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | HST | E |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue <br> postmark | 4 squares | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | HST | F |
|  | Dark blue <br> postmark | 4 squares | $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\boxed{ }$ | G |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail print | 2 squares | $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\boxed{ }$ | H |
| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 1 square | $2-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |  | J |
|  | Red postmark | 6 squares | $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | HST | K |



## Block Assembly Instructions:

1. Assemble the block center by sewing the long side of a $\tan \mathrm{H}$ triangle to a side of the red J square. Sew another tan H triangle to the opposite side of the red J square. Press the seams toward the red J square.
2. Sew a $\tan \mathrm{H}$ triangle to the remaining two sides of the red J square. Press the seams away from the red J square. Completed block center should measure 3-1/2" square.

3. Assemble the four flying geese units by sewing the long side of a dark blue $G$ triangle to the short side of a tan gun print $C$ triangle. Sew another blue $G$ triangle to the other short side of a tan gun print $C$ triangle. Press seams toward the blue $G$ triangles. The flying geese units
 should measure 2" x 3-1/2". Make 4.
4. The remainder of the block is made up of half square triangle units (HST). Place a K red square and a dark blue F square right sides together and edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of the lighter fabric. Sew $1 / 4$ " seam on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line. Open out the HSTs and press the seam toward the darker fabric. Trim HST units to 2" square. Make 8.
5. Sew two red and dark blue (KF) HSTs together with the blue sides touching and the point at the top. Press the seam open. Make 4 red/ blue HST pairs.

6. Sew a flying geese unit to the bottom of the HSTs from step 5, matching points and edges. Press seam toward the flying geese unit. The resulting unit should measure 3-1/2" square. Make 4.
7. The remaining parts of this block are the corner units which are made up of a square and three HSTs. Place a dark brown (E) square and a tan gun
 print (B) square right sides together and edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of the lighter fabric. Sew l/4" seam on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line. Open out the HSTs and press the seam toward the darker fabric. Trim HST units to 2 " square. Use four brown (E) and tan gun print (B) square pairs to make 8 (BE) HSTs.
8. Repeat step 7 using two pairs of red (K) and light brown (D) squares. Make 4.
9. Assemble the corner unit as a four-patch. Sew a gun print $A$ square to the dark brown side of a brown and gun print (B\E) HST. Press the seam toward the A square.

10. Sew a dark brown and gun print ( $\mathrm{E} \backslash B$ ) HST to a red and light brown (K/D) HST. Press the seam toward the (K/D) HST.
11. Sew the two pairs (from steps 9 and 10) together matching seams and ends. Press the seams toward the side with the A square.
12. Assemble the pieced units into a nine-patch block.
13. The top row consists of a corner unit, a flying geese unit, and another corner unit. The gun print (A) squares in the corner units form the four corners of the block. Press the seams toward the flying geese unit.
14. The middle row consists of a flying geese unit, the central square, and another flying geese unit (points touching). Press the seams toward the flying geese units.
15. The bottom row is exactly the same as the top row (step l3). Press the seams toward the flying geese unit.
16. Join the rows matching seams, points, and ends. Sew row 1 to row 2. Sew row 3 to row 2. Press the seams open.
17. The completed block should measure 9-1/2" square.


Road to California 9" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Gun print | 1 strip WOF | $2 "$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $21835-24$ | Red postmark | 1 strip WOF | $2 "$ | B |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown postmark | 2 squares | $4 "$ | C |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | 2 squares | $4 "$ | D |

## Block Assembly Instructions:

1. Sew the red and tan strips together lengthwise to form a strip set. Press the seam to the red side.
2. Square up the end of the pressed strip set. Cut (10) 2" wide segments from the strip set.
3. Sew 2 segments together matching seams and positioning the red squares in opposite corners. Press the seam to either side. Make 5 four-patch blocks from the 10 segments. Each four-patch should measure 3-1/2" square.

4. Place a C light brown square and a dark blue D square right sides together and edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of the lighter fabric. Sew $1 / 4$ " seam on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line. Open out the HSTs and press the seam toward the darker fabric. Trim HST units to $3-1 / 2$ " square. Make 4.

5. Assemble the block in three rows. Rows $l$ and 3 consist of a four-patch, a HST, and another four-patch. Be sure to position all of the four patch blocks with the red squares in the upper right and lower left corners.
6. Row 2 consists of a HST, four-patch, and HST. Be sure all the HST or pointing in the right direction and have the blue triangles in the right position.
 Refer to illustration (above). Make 1.
7. Sew row 1 to row 2 matching seams and ends. Press the seam open.
8. Sew row 3 (flip row over so it has the center HST with the blue side up) to row 2 matching seams and ends.
 Press the seam open.
9. The completed block should measure 9-1/2" square.


Road to California Border block:
4-1/4" finished block
\# in () is for the wall-hanging version of this pattern.

| $21837-34$ | Tan Gun print | $15(11)$ squares | $3-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\boxed{ }$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tan Gun print | $90(66)$ squares | $1-7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ |  | B |
| $21835-68$ | Dark blue postmark | $60(44)$ squares | $2-1 / 4 \prime$ | $\boxed{ }$ | C |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown post- <br> mark | $15(11)$ squares | $3-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\square$ | D |

*NOTE: Use a scant $1 / 4$ " when sewing this block.
Block Assembly Instructions: Make 30 (22)

1. Sew the short side of a dark blue $C$ triangle to the side of a tan gun print $B$ square. Press toward the B square. Make 60(44) BC units.

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | $C$ |
| $B$ | $B$ |
|  |  |

2. Sew the short side of a dark blue $C$ triangle to the side of a tan gun print $B$ square. Sew another dark blue C triangle to the opposite side of the square, facing in the opposite way as shown (right), Press toward the B square. Make 30 (22)(CBC) units.
3. Sew a (BC) unit to a (CBC) unit matching seams. Invert another (BC) unit and sew it to the other side of the (CBC) unit matching seams. Press both seams toward the (CBC) unit.
4. Sew the long side of a light brown D triangle to one side of the center unit completed in step 3. Press the seam toward the D triangle.
5. Sew the long side of a tan gun print $A$ triangle to the opposite side of the step 3 unit. Press the seam toward the A triangle.
6. The completed border blocks should measure 4-3/4" square. Make 30 (22)blocks.


Missouri Star Border Corner Blocks: 4-1/4" finished block

| $21837-34$ | Tan Gun <br> print | 16 squares | $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}+$ | +Cut squares 2 <br> threads larger than <br> $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tan Gun <br> print | 4 square | $3-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | Cut on both <br> diagonals | B |
| $9020-620$ | Dark blue <br> tonal | 8 squares | $2-1 / 4 "$ |  | C |
|  | Dark blue <br> tonal | 4 squares | $2 "$ |  | D |
| $21835-24$ | Red post- <br> mark | 8 squares | $2-1 / 4 "$ |  | E |
| $21832-34$ | Tan Mail <br> print | 8 squares | $2 "$ | Cut on one <br> Diagonal | $\square$ | F | F |
| :--- |


2. Sew the long side of an $F$ triangle to the two remaining sides of the blue D square. Press toward D. Trim the completed central unit to 2-5/8" square.
3. Place a red $E$ square on top of a blue $C$ square, right sides together and edges even. Draw 2 diagonal lines on the wrong side of the red E square.
4. Sew $l / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on both sides of one of the diagonal lines as illustrated (right).
5. Cut on both diagonal lines. Open the QSTs (quarter square triangles) and press the seam toward the blue side. Repeat steps 4 and 5 with the seven remaining sets of red and blue squares. Make a total of 32 QSTs.

6. Sew the long side of a red and blue QSTs (from step 5) to both short sides of the gun print B triangles. Match the seam on the QST's with the midpoint on the side of the $B$ triangle. Press toward the QSTs. This creates a flying geese unit. Make 16. The completed flying geese units should measure $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}+\times 2-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
7. Assemble the block in three horizontal rows. For Row land Row 3, sew a tan A square to both ends of two of the flying geese units. Press toward the A squares.
8. For Row 2 sew a flying geese unit to two opposite sides of the central pieced unit. Be sure the point of the flying geese unit is
touching the point of the blue central square. Press the seams toward the central pieced unit.
9. Sew Row 1 to Row 2 matching seams, midpoints, and ends. Press this seam open.
10. Sew Row 3 to Row 2 matching seams, midpoints, and ends. Press this seam open. The completed block should measure 4-3/4" square.

## Border Setting Triangles

| $21837-34$ | Tan Gun print | 8 squares | $7-1 / 4 "$ | $\searrow$ | A |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tan Gun print | 2 squares | $3-7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\square$ | B |
| $21836-34$ | Light brown postmark | 8 squares | $7-1 / 4 "$ | $\square$ | C |
|  | Light brown postmark | 6 squares | $3-7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ | $\square$ | $\mathbf{D}$ |


l. Side Borders: On a design wall or large table assemble the parts for the two side border strips. For EACH side border you will need 8 Road to California Border Blocks, 7 light brown (C) setting triangles, and 7 gun print (A) setting triangles. You will also need 2 light brown (D) half triangles and 2 gun print (B) half triangles.

2. Left End Unit: Start at the left end of the side border strip and work towards the right end. As illustrated above, sew the long side of a light brown (D) triangle to the upper left side of the RTC (Road To California) Border block (with the block oriented on point and the brown at the top and the tan at the bottom). Sew a tan print (A) triangle to the lower right side of the RTC border block. Sew the long side of a tan (B) triangle to the lower left side of the RTC border block. Press the seams away from the center block throughout this pieced border. Make 2.
3. Middle Unit: Sew a light brown (C) triangle to the upper left side of another RTC border block. Sew a tan print (A) triangle to the lower right side of the RTC border block. Make 26.
4. Right End Unit: Sew a light brown (C) triangle to the upper left side of another RTC border block. Sew the long side of a tan print (B) triangle to the lower right side of the RTC border block. Sew the light brown D triangle to the upper right side of the RTC block. Make 2.
5. Assemble the side border by sewing a left end unit, six middle units (three for wall hanging), and a right end unit together, matching seams. Make 2 side borders.
6. To make the top and bottom borders, make 2 more sets of left and right end units (as in step 2 and step 4, above) but substitute the Missouri Star border block in place of the RTC border blocks, and a light brown (D) triangle in place of the tan gun print (B) triangles. See illustration, below. Make 2 left end and 2 right end units using the Missouri Star blocks.
7. Assemble the top and bottom border by sewing a left end unit, 7 middle units, and a right end unit together, matching seams. Make 1 top and $l$ bottom border.


## Sew the Borders to the Quilt:

- Cut (6) strips of the dark brown postmark print $1-1 / 2$ " x WOF for the narrow outer border. Trim off the selvage ends. Cut two of the strips in half and sew the half strips to the end of the other four strips, using a diagonal seam. Press the seam to one side.

1. Pin the pieced side borders to the quilt with the ends even with the quilt top. Ease in any fullness in the border or the panel. Carefully sew the border to the side of the quilt. Press toward the quilt center.
2. Pin the pieced top and bottom borders to the top and bottom of the quilt top. Ease in any fullness in the border or the quilt center. Carefully sew the borders to the top and bottom of the quilt. Press toward the quilt center.
3. Measure the height of the quilt through the center of the quilt: $\qquad$
4. Cut two of the dark brown postmark print narrow border strips to this measurement, and pin them to the sides of the quilt. Ease in any fullness. Sew the seam, and press toward the dark brown narrow border.
5. Measure the width of the quilt through the center of the quilt: $\qquad$
6. Cut the remaining two dark brown narrow border strips to this measurement, and pin them to the top and bottom of the quilt. Ease in any fullness. Sew the seam, and press toward the dark brown border.

## Finishing the Quilt

1. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing.
2. Baste the layers together using your preferred method.
3. Quilt the layers together. Stitch in the ditch around the panel and each block. Add additional fill stitches in the sashing and border areas, and in each of the blocks. Quilt the panel with an all-over pattern, such as cross-hatching, or stitch around the shapes and objects in the panel to add definition and dimension.
4. Trim the batting and backing even with the quilt top.
5. Prepare the striped bias binding. You will need approximately 255 " of binding.
6. Open out the striped binding fabric and press the fold out of the fabric.
7. Fold one corner back toward the opposite side of the fabric, like you were folding a square on the diagonal, to create a 45 degree fold line.

8. With a ruler and a rotary cutter, cut off a small segment to remove the fold.
9. Then cut 11 segments, following the angle of the fold line, $2-1 / 4$ " wide. If you prefer a wider or narrower binding adjust as needed. Continue to slide your ruler to the right, maintaining the 45 degree angle, until you have cut off the required number of segments.
10. Trim the selvage off of any of the bias strips. Join the segments together in a continuous strip using diagonal seams. Press the seams to one side.
ll. Fold the long bias binding strip in half, lengthwise, wrong sides together and edges even, and press using steam to hold the crease. Do not stretch the binding. Roll it up as you press.
11. Sew the binding to the quilt top aligning the raw edges of the binding with the trimmed edge of the quilt. Be careful not to stretch the binding. Sew binding to quilt front using a walking foot and a l/4" seam. Miter the corners as you go around the quilt. Join the ends when you get back to the starting place.
12. Press the binding to the back of the quilt and stitch in place.
13. Add a hanging sleeve and label.


Nebraska Windmill block templates
B, C, D, F

Fusible web applique layout. Trace templates from the layout diagram.


Optional Foundation Pattern for the Road to California Border Blocks


