



Mocha Kiss Tonga Treats

Buttonholes quilt designed by Osie Lebowitz



Photo: D. James Dee

Finished quilt: 48" x 54"

Fabric Requirements

- 1 package Mocha Kiss Tonga Treats 2½" strips (forty strips, two each of twenty different fabrics)
- 1/2 yard Tonga-B1419 Coffee (binding)
- 1⅝ yards XTonga-B1410 Suede (106" wide) or
3⅛ yards 45"-wide Tonga print of your choice
- 56" x 62" batting

Cutting

From each 2½" Tonga strip:

- Cut three 2½" x 8½" strips and two 2½" x 6½" strips. Separate the strips into forty sets by color.

From B1419 Coffee:

- Cut six 2½" x width-of-fabric strips for binding.

Block Construction

1. Select one 2½" x 8½" strip to use as a block center. From a contrasting color, select two 2½" x 8½" strips and two 2½" x 6½" strips.
2. Sew the contrasting 2½" x 8½" strips to the long edges of the center strip. Sew one 2½" x 6½" strip to each end of the sewn set.
3. Select a 2½" x 8½" strip from each of the remaining thirty-nine strips to use as block centers and repeat steps 1 and 2 to make forty blocks. *Note: Making all forty blocks will give you more color choice as you arrange the blocks. Use the four extra blocks for a pillow.*
4. Select groups of three blocks and join them together into twelve sets of three blocks each. (figure 1)

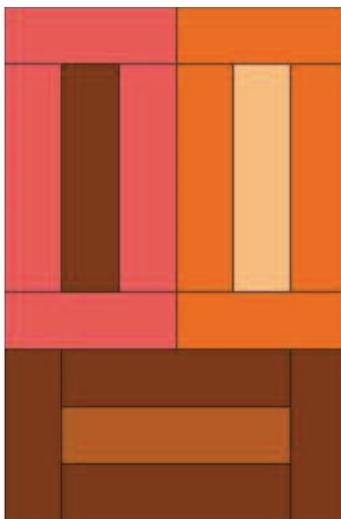


fig. 1

Quilt Top Assembly

5. Referring to the quilt photo, lay out the three-block sets in a pleasing color arrangement, alternating direction across the row. Set the blocks four across and three rows down.
6. Join the blocks together in rows, then join the rows.

Finishing

7. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing and quilt as desired.
8. Stitch the binding strips together end to end using diagonal seams. Fold and press the resulting long strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Stitch to the quilt front, matching raw edges and mitering the corners.
9. Fold the binding to the quilt underside and hand-stitch the folded edge to the quilt back.

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