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## CHARM SQUARES

This simple quilt pattern comes together quickly with precut fabric squares or scraps. Use 5 " charm squares to make a baby quilt, or 10 " squares to make a twin bed/large sofa quilt.
$\left.\begin{array}{rc|c}\text { MATERIALS } & \begin{array}{c}\text { BABY } \\ 33 " \times 40 "\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { TWIN } \\ 71 " \times 85 "\end{array} \\ \hline \text { Precut Squares } & \begin{array}{c}38 \text { squares } \\ 5 " \times 5 " \text { each } \\ \text { or }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}38 \text { squares } \\ 10 " \times 10 " \text { each } \\ \text { or } \\ \text { different fabrics }\end{array} \\ \text { *Sashing Fabric } & 5 / 8 \text { yard each of } 5 \\ \text { different fabrics }\end{array}\right)$

Yardages are based on fabric at least 42 " wide.
*Keep the composition modern by using a neutral solid fabric like white or gray for the sashing.

## CUTTING THE FABRIC

WOF = width of fabric

## BABY QUILT

PRECUT SQUARES:
Reserve 25 squares and cut the remaining 13 squares in half to make 25 rectangles $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ each. (You will have one extra rectangle.)

## FROM EACH 1/4 YARD CUT:

Cut 1 strip $5^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Subcut 8 squares $5 " \times 5$ " each.

Cut 3 squares in half to make 5 rectangles 2-1/2" $\times 5$ " each. (You will have one extra rectangle from each fabric.)

SASHING FABRIC:
Cut 2 wide sashing strips 5 " x WOF.
Trim each to $5 " \times 33$ ".
Cut 4 narrow sashing strips $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.
Trim each to $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 33^{\prime \prime}$.

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## CUTTNG THE FABRC (cont)

WOF = width of fabric

## TWIN QULT

PRECUT SQUARES:
Reserve 25 squares and cut the remaining 13 squares in half to make 25 rectangles 5 " $\times 10^{\prime \prime}$ each.
(You will have one extra rectangle.)
FROM EACH 1/4 YARD CUT:
Cut 2 strips $10^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Subcut 8 squares $10^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ each. Cut 3 squares in half to make 5 rectangles $5^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ each.
(You will have one extra rectangle from each fabric.)
SASHING FABRIC:
Cut these pieces along the length (selvage edge) of the fabric.
Cut 2 wide sashing strips 10 " $\times 70-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ each.
Cut 4 narrow sashing strips 5 " $\times 70-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ each.

## MAKNG THE QULLT TOP (BOTH SIZES)

All seams are sewn with a $1 / 4$ " seam allowance and pressed open.


STEP 1. Sort and sew the cut squares and rectangles into 5 rows, alternating squares and rectangles and including 5 squares and 5 rectangles in each row. Rows 1,3 , and 5 should each start with a rectangle. Rows 2 and 4 should each start with a square. (If you're using 5 different fabrics, you can include 1 square and 1 rectangle of each fabric in each row.)

STEP 2. Sew together the 5 pieced rows, sewing a narrow sashing strip between each pieced row.

STEP 3. Sew a wide sashing strip to the top and bottom of the quilt top.

## FINSHNG THE BABY QULT

Sandwich and quilt as desired. Use the binding fabric to cut 4 strips $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF for double-fold binding and bind as desired.

## FINISHING THE TWIN QUULT

From the backing fabric, cut 2 pieces 93 " long. Trim away selvages, sew the pieces together, and trim the finished quilt back to 79 " $\times 93^{\prime \prime}$.

Sandwich and quilt as desired. Use the binding fabric to cut 8 strips $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF for double-fold binding and bind as desired.

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