

Flower Bouquet Collection

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Free Pattern



54" x 54"

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Fabric Requirements

3/8 yard of 16 different medium colored florals
 1 1/8 yard white
 1/8 yard of 4 different tone on tone florals
 1/4 yard of 10 different dark colored florals
 1/8 yard of 6 different light colored florals

Cutting Instructions

From each of the 16 different medium colored florals cut:

Four 4 1/4" x 4 3/4"

Two 1" x 10 1/2"

From the white cut:

Thirty-two 4 1/4" x 2 1/2"

Sixteen 2 1/2" x 10 1/2"

Six 2 1/2" x 42"

From dark colored florals cut:

Sixteen 6" x 11 1/2"

From tone on tone florals cut:

Four (one of each) 7 3/4" x 6"

Four (one of each) 2 1/4" x 6"

From light colored florals cut:

Eight 2" x 12"

Four 2 1/2" x 12"

Sewing Instructions

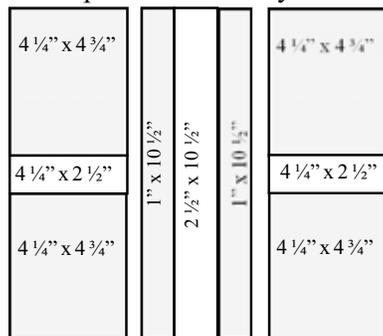
To sew blocks:

For each block use all of the same medium floral pieces.

1. Sew one 4 1/4" x 2 1/2" white piece to a 4 1/4" x 4 3/4" medium floral piece. Sew another 4 1/4" x 4 3/4" medium floral piece to the other side of the white piece. Press towards the white pieces. Repeat with the remaining two 4 1/4" x 4 3/4" medium floral pieces.

2. Sew one 1" x 10 1/2" medium floral piece to each side of a 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" white piece, using the same print on each side. Press towards the white strip.

3. Complete the block by following the diagram:



Repeat for all 16 blocks

To put the center together:

4. Sew the first row of four blocks together, rotating every other block 90°. Sew the second row of blocks together, rotating the first block 90° from the direction of the first block on the first row. Continue rotating every other block. Sew the third row the same as row one and the fourth row the same as row two. Sew the four rows together.

5. Piece three of the 2 1/2" x 42" strips together. Sub cut into two 2 1/2" x 46" strips.

6. Sew the two 2 1/2" x 42" strips to the top and bottom of the center panel. Press towards the white strips. Sew the two 2 1/2" x 46" strips to the sides. Press towards the white strips.

Making the outer border:

7. Sew the sixteen 6" x 11" dark florals together (on the 6" side) in sets of four.

8. Lay out the center block and the dark floral strips. Designate one tone on tone for each corner of the quilt. Pin each color in place, with a 2 1/4" x 6" tone on tone strip on each end of the top and bottom dark floral strips and a 7 3/4" x 6" tone on tone strip on each end of the dark floral strips for the sides. Sew each tone on tone in place.

9. Sew the dark floral strips with the 2 1/4" x 6" tone on tone strips to the top and bottom, making sure that the tone on tone pieces are properly located.

10. Sew the dark floral strips with the 7 3/4" x 6" tone on tone strips to the sides, making sure that the tone on tone colors are properly located.

11. Quilt and bind as desired.

Making the flower embellishments:

12. Place the long raw edges of the 2" x 12" and 2 1/2" x 12" light floral strips together, right sides out. Zig zag the raw edges together. Sew a gathering stitch right next to the zig zag stitch. Tightly gather the long edge. Place the two ends together, lining up the raw edges and sew. Zig zag the raw edge. Repeat until you have 4 large and 8 small flowers.

13. Position flowers in the four corners of the quilt. Sew in place by hand, keeping the inner circle tight enough that the buttons will cover all zig zag edges. Sew the buttons in the center of each flower.