

Celestial

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Finished Quilt Size: 35" x 43" - Finished Block Size: 8" Square

Posy Party fabrics - Style #3657

Yardage Requirements: Based on 44" wide fabric.

Fabric A:	1-1/3 yards, includes piecing, border & binding (dark teal swirl #8381-20 Blue)
Fabric B:	1/2 yard (brown sprig #8380-9 Brown)
Fabric C:	1/4 yard (large blue floral #8376-6 Green)*
Fabric D:	1/4 yard (dark brown paisley #8379-29 Blue)*
Fabric E:	1/3 yard (pale swirl #8381-63 Lt. Green)*
Fabric F:	1/3 yard (lime swirl #8381-6 Green)*
Fabric G:	1/2 yard (teal sprig #8380-2 Blue)
Fabric H:	1/2 yard (blue cityscape #8377-2 Blue)
Border:	5/8 yards (large brown floral #8376-2 Blue)
Batting:	40" x 48"
Backing:	1-1/3 yards (light paisley #8379-2 Lt. Blue suggested)

Cutting Directions: A quarter inch seam allowance is included in all measurements.

From **Fabric A** cut:

Cut two 2-7/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-7/8" squares

Cut four 2-1/2" x 44" strips

Cut four 2" x 44" strips

From **Fabric B** cut:

Cut two 2-7/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-7/8" squares

From **Fabric C** cut:

Cut one 4-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into six 4-1/2" squares

From **Fabric D** cut:

Cut one 4-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into six 4-1/2" squares

From **Fabric E** cut:

Cut two 2-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-1/2" squares

From **Fabric F** cut:

Cut two 2-1/2" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-1/2" squares

From **Fabric G** cut:

Cut two 2-7/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-7/8" squares

From **Fabric H** cut:

Cut two 2-7/8" x 44" strips then recut into twenty-four 2-7/8" squares

From **Border Fabric** cut:

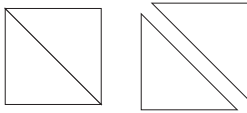
Cut four 4-1/2" x 44" strips for border

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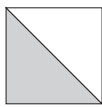
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Making Triangle Sets

1. Cut all the 2-7/8" squares diagonally in half once, creating two 2-7/8" half-square triangles.



2. Sew 2-7/8" half-square triangles of the fabric indicated in the directions to each other along the long bias edge to form a triangle set.



Block Assembly

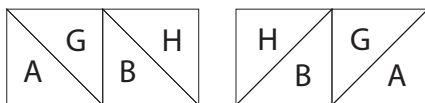
1. Make the following triangle sets:

Make 48: Fabric A & Fabric G

Make 48: Fabric B & Fabric H



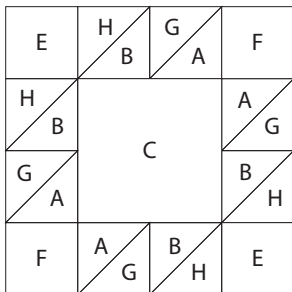
2. Using the triangle sets, make the following units with the fabrics indicated:



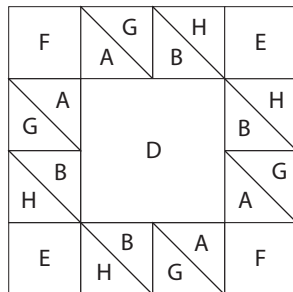
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3. Lay out the number of each block as indicated. Stitch the units, 2-1/2" squares (Fabrics E & F) and 4-1/2" squares (Fabrics C & D) into rows then sew the rows together. All blocks are shown with the novelty prints (Fabrics C & D) upright in the block.



Make 6



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Quilt Assembly

1. Lay out the blocks in four horizontal rows of three blocks each. Stitch blocks into rows then sew the rows together.

2. Sew 2" x 44" **Fabric A** strips to the right and left sides of quilt. Press and trim excess from these and all successive border additions. Add remaining **Fabric A** 2" x 44" strips to the top and bottom of quilt.

3. Stitch the 4-1/2" x 44" **Border Fabric** strips to the right and left sides of quilt. Add borders to the top and bottom of quilt.

Finishing

1. Layer the quilt backing, batting and quilt top. Baste layers together. Quilt or tie as desired.

2. Prepare binding from four 2-1/2" x 44" strips of **Fabric A** fabric. Sew strips together into one long binding strip. Press strip in half lengthwise.

3. Carefully trim backing and batting even with quilt top.

4. Leaving an 8" tail of binding, sew binding to top of quilt through all layers matching all raw edges. Miter corners. Stop approximately 12" from where you started. Lay both loose ends of binding flat along quilt edge. Where these two loose ends meet, fold them back on themselves and press to form a crease. Using this crease as your stitching line, sew the two open ends of the binding together right sides together. Trim seam to 1/4" and press open. Finish sewing tape to quilt.

5. Turn binding to back of quilt and blind stitch in place. Sign and date your work.