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Color B	(includes borders)	1 1/8 yd.
Color C		1/2 yd.
Backing		1 3/4 yd.
Binding		3/8 yd.

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Many seriously ill and traumatized children will receive special hugs of comfort as a result of her efforts.

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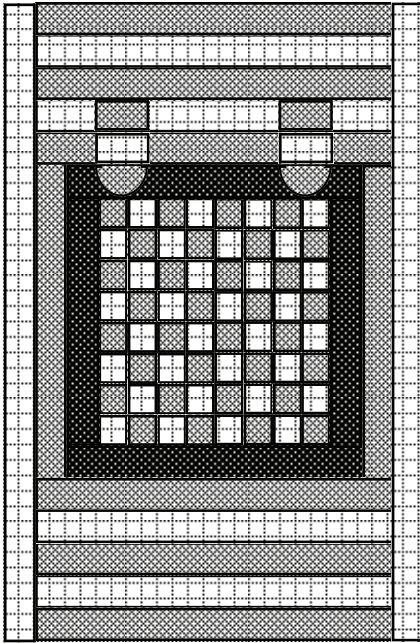
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"Channer's Checkers"



"A Make A Blanket Day"
Quilt Pattern

Project Linus provides comfort and security to seriously ill and traumatized children... through blankets.



Channer's Checkers

Planning

This quilt is entirely made up of $3\frac{1}{2}$ strips. The quilt is created using two basic contrasting colors with a 3rd tone on tone fabric for the border around the checkerboard itself. There is very little waste with the scraps being used to make the pockets.

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CUTTING THE FABRIC

Color A:
Cut 12 strips $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x width of fabric (WOF)

Color B:
Cut 11 strips $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF.

Color C:
Cut 4 strips $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF

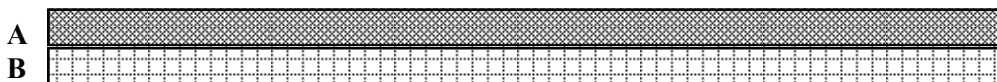
Binding:
Cut 5 strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF

Checkers:
From two coordinating colors of felt, cut 12 - 2" circles from each color for checkers.

QUILT PIECING INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1:

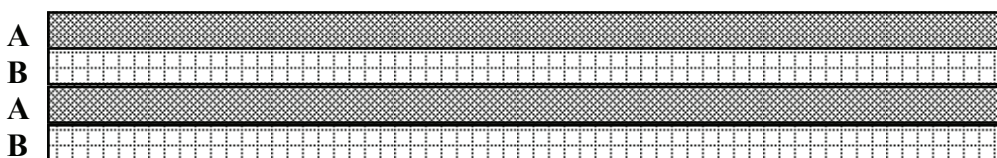
Sew 8 strips of Color A to 8 strips of Color B together as follows:



You will need 8 "AB" strips
Press seams toward the dark fabric.

Step 2:

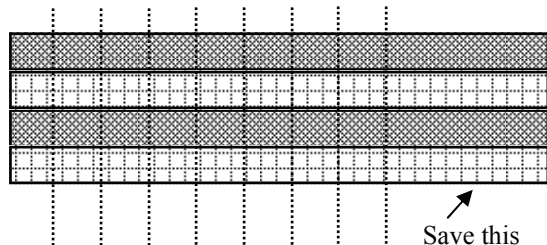
Sew two sets of AB strips together making 4 sets of ABAB strips:



You will need 4 "ABAB" strip sets.
Press seams toward the dark fabric.

Step 3:

- From **two** of the **ABAB** strip set, cut **eight** 3 1/2 inch segments for a total of 16 segments.
- Save the leftover scrap from each strip set which will be used for the pockets.
- The other two ABAB strip sets will be used for the horizontal borders.



Save this piece for pocket.

Step 4:

Make 4 “sixteen-patch” blocks. (Fig. 1) Assemble the checkerboard portion of the quilt by sewing the four “sixteen-patch” blocks together. Checkerboard will have 64 squares. (Fig. 2)

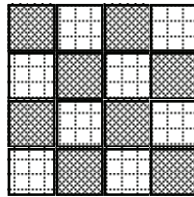


Figure 1

Step 5: Add the border that surrounds the checkerboard by sewing a 3 1/2” strip of Color C to each vertical side of the checkerboard. Then sew a border strip to the top and to the bottom of the checkerboard. (Fig. 2)

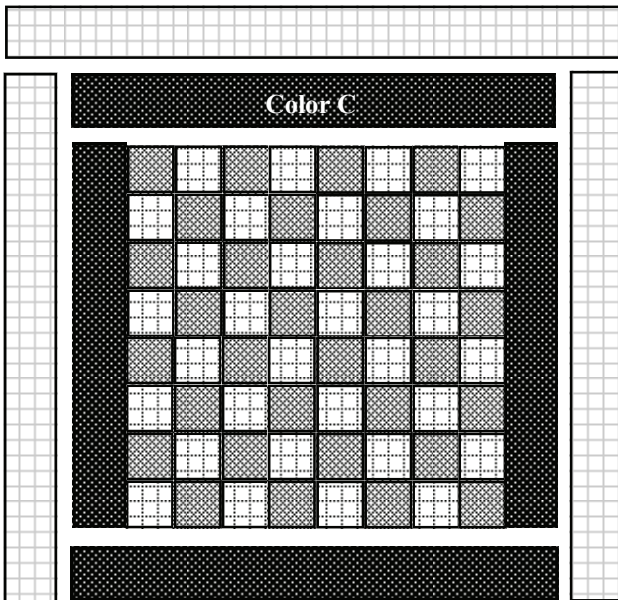


Figure 2

Step 6:

Add the next set of vertical borders by sewing a 3 1/2” strip of Color B to each vertical & then each horizontal side of the “framed” checkerboard.

Step 7:

You should have two ABAB strip sets left. Sew a strip set to the top and bottom of the quilt. (Fig. 3)

Note: Make sure that the Color B strip is sewn to the Color C border on the top and bottom.

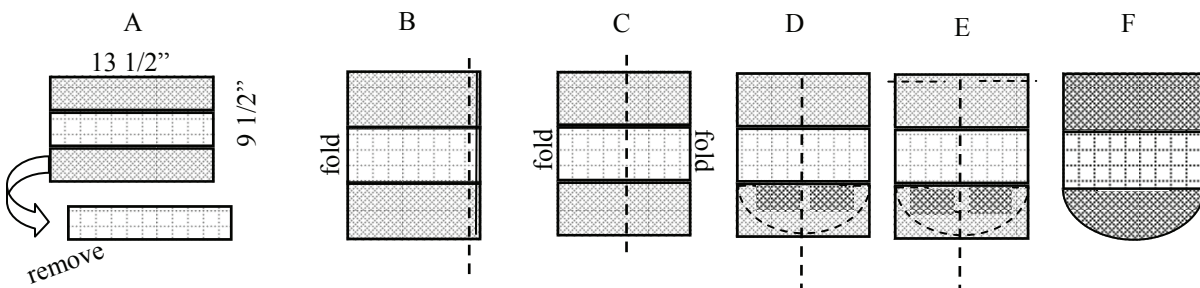
Step 8:

For the vertical borders, you should have three 3 1/2” strips of Color B left. Cut one strip in half and sew each to a full strip creating a vertical border. Sew the border to each side of the quilt. (Fig. 3)

Step 9:

Making the checkers pocket

- Using your leftover strip set from Step 3, remove a Color B strip and cut two 13 1/2” (horizontal) x 9 1/2” (vertical) rectangles from the remaining strip sets.
- Fold in half, right sides together and stitch raw edge closed.
- Center seam in the back and press open.
- Using Template A trim the bottom of the pocket to a half-circle and stitch using 1/4” seam
- Stitch top leaving opening to turn.
- Clip corners and curve, turn and close opening.
- Position pockets as show in Figure 1 and stitch to quilt top leaving pocket opening, open.



Make 2 pockets.

