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## Mark Lipinski designed this quilt using his fabric

 line with clear distinct prints, which contrast well in the simple Square-in-a-Square blocks.
## MATERIALS

PROJECT RATING: INTERMEDIATE
Size: $553 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 633 / 4 "$
Blocks: 30 (63/8") Square-in-a-
Square blocks

NOTE: Fabrics in the quilt shown are from the califon collection by Mark Lipinski for Northcott. 3/4 yard white print \#1 for blocks $5 / 8$ yard white print \#2 for blocks $3 / 8$ yard white print \#3 for sashing squares
$3 / 8$ yard black print \#1 for blocks 15/8 yards black print \#2 for blocks, middle border, and binding
11/4 yards black print \#3 for sashing
$5 / 8$ yard black-and-white stripe for inner and outer borders
$31 / 2$ yards backing fabric
Twin-size quilt batting

## Cutting

Measurements include $1 / 4$ " seam allowances. Border strips are exact length needed. You may want to make them longer to allow for piecing variations.

## From white print \#1, cut:

- 4 ( $41 / 8$ "-wide) strips. From strips, cut $30\left(41 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}\right)$ squares. Cut squares
in half diagonally to make 60 halfsquare C triangles.
- 2 ( $33 / 4$ "-wide) strips. From strips, cut 15 (33/4") A squares.
From white print \#2, cut:
- 4 ( $4^{1} / 8^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, cut $30\left(41 / 8^{\prime \prime}\right)$ squares. Cut squares in half diagonally to make 60 half-square C triangles.


## From white print \#3, cut:

- 3 ( $2^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, $3\left(2^{1 / 2}-\right.$ wide $)$ strips. From strip
cut $42\left(2^{1 / 2 \prime 2}\right)$ sashing squares.


## From black print \#1, cut:

- 3 ( $3^{1 / 8 "}$ "-wide) strips. From strips, cut $30\left(3^{1 / 8 \prime}\right)$ squares. Cut squares in half diagonally to make 60 half-square B triangles.


## From black print \#2, cut:

- 2 ( $5^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, cut 15 (5") D squares.
- 6 ( $43 / 4$ "-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $2\left(43 / 4 " \times 54^{7} / 8^{\prime \prime}\right)$ top and bottom middle borders and $2\left(43 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 543 / 4^{\prime \prime}\right)$ side middle borders.
- 7 ( $2 \frac{1}{4}$ " -wide) strips for binding.


## From black print \#3, cut:

- $15\left(2^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}\right.$-wide) strips. From strips, cut $71\left(2^{1} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6 / 8^{\prime \prime}\right)$ sashing rectangles.


## From black-and-white stripe, cut:

- 6 ( $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $2\left(1 \frac{1}{2}{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 52 \frac{3}{4}\right.$ ") side inner


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borders and $2\left(1^{1 / 2 " ~} \times 46^{3 / 8}\right.$ ") top and bottom inner borders.

- 7 (1"-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $2\left(1^{\prime \prime} \times 63^{1 ⁄ 2} 4^{\prime \prime}\right)$ side outer borders and $2\left(1 " \times 557 / 8^{\prime \prime}\right)$ top and bottom outer borders.


## Block Assembly

1. Join 1 white print \#1 A square and 4 black print \#1 B triangles as shown in Block 1 Assembly Diagram. Add 4 white print \#2 C triangles to Block Center to complete 1 Block 1 (Block 1
Diagram). Make 15 Block 1 .


Block 1 Assembly Diagram
2. Lay out 1 black print \#2 D square and 4 white print \#1 C triangles as shown in Block 2 Assembly Diagram. Join to complete 1 Block 2 (Block 2 Diagram). Make 15 Block 2.



Block 1 Diagram

## Quilt Assembly

1. Lay out blocks, sashing rectangles, and sashing squares as shown in Quilt Top Assembly Diagram. Join into rows; join rows to complete quilt center.
2. Add side inner borders to quilt center. Add top and bottom inner borders to quilt.
3. Repeat for middle borders and outer borders.

## Finishing

1. Divide backing into 2 (13/4-yard) lengths. Join panels lengthwise. Seam will run horizontally.
2. Layer backing, batting, and quilt top; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt shown was quilted with an allover swirl design (Quilting Diagram).
3. Join $2 ¼$ "-wide black print \#2 strips into 1 continuous piece for straight-grain French-fold binding. Add binding to quilt.

Quilt Top Assembly Diagram

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We made our sample with outdoor enthusiasts in mind.

Fabrics shown are from the Forest

Fun collection by
Melissa Burt for Connecting Threads.


SIZE OPTIONS



Twin Size


Full Size


Queen/King Size


## DESIGNER



Mark Lipinski, quilting teacher, editor, and fabric designer, is a favorite personality among quilters. With his humorous approach to quilting and life in general, Mark fills classes and lecture halls with happy quiltmakers. Watch Mark and Jodie Davis on Quilt Out Loud, on QNNtv.com. ※

# MIDNIGHT 



## MATERIALS

PROJECT RATING: EASY
Size: 71" $\times 71^{\prime \prime}$
Blocks: 9 (18") Star blocks

NOTE: Fabrics in the quilt
shown are from the Elegance II collection by Rosemarie Lavin for Windham Fabrics.
$11 / 2$ yards black-and-white print for outer border
1 yard black-and-white stripe for inner border and binding
$3 / 4$ yard each of 3 white prints and 3 black prints
$1 / 2$ yard black print \#4
$41 / 2$ yards backing fabric
Full-size quilt batting

## Cutting

Measurements include $1 / 4$ " seam allowances. Border strips are exact length needed. You may want to make them longer to allow for piecing variations.

## From black-and-white print, cut:

- 7 ( $7^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $2\left(7^{\prime \prime} \times 71 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}\right)$ top and bottom outer borders and 2 (7" $\times 58^{1 ⁄ 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ ) side outer borders.


## From black-and-white stripe, cut:

- 6 ( $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $2\left(21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 58 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}\right)$ top and bottom inner borders and 2 ( $\left.21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 54^{1} 2^{\prime \prime}\right)$ side inner borders.
- 8 ( $21 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ "-wide) strips for binding.


## From each white print, cut:

- 6 ( $3^{1} / 22^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, cut 36 ( $\left.3^{1} 12^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 22^{\prime \prime}\right)$ C rectangles.


## From black print \#1, cut:

- 6 ( $3^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, cut 36 ( $\left.3^{1} 12^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 22^{\prime \prime}\right) \mathrm{C}$ rectangles.


## From black print \#2, cut:

- 7 ( $31 / 2$ "-wide) strips. From strips, cut 72 ( $31 / 2$ ") B squares.


## From black print \#3, cut:

- 7 ( $3^{1 ⁄ 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips. From strips, cut 72 ( $\left.3^{1 ⁄ 2} 2^{\prime \prime}\right)$ B squares.
From black print \#4, cut:
- $2(61 / 2$ "-wide) strips. From strips, cut 9 ( $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ ) A squares.


## Block Assembly

1. Place 1 black print \#2 B square atop 1 black print \#1 C rectangle, right sides facing. Stitch diagonally from corner to corner as shown in Diagonal Unit Diagrams. Trim $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ beyond stitching. Press open to reveal triangle. Repeat for opposite
corner to complete 1 Diagonal Unit. Make 36 Diagonal Units.

2. Join 1 Diagonal Unit and 1 white print \#1 C rectangle as shown in Corner Unit Diagrams. Make 36 Corner Units.


Corner Unit Diagrams
3. Place 1 black print \#3 B square atop 1 white print \#2 C rectangle, right sides facing. Stitch diagonally from corner to corner as shown in Star Point \#1 Diagrams. Trim $1 / 4$ " beyond stitching. Press open to reveal triangle to complete 1 Star Point. Make 36 Star Points.


Star Point \#1 Diagrams

4. In the same manner, make 36 Star Points using black print \#3 B squares and white print \#3 C rectangles (Star Point \#2 Diagram).


Star Point \#2 Diagram

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Pay careful attention to the direction of diagonal stitching. -Marianne
5. Join 2 Star Points as shown in Star Point Unit Diagrams. Make 36 Star Point Units.


Star Point Unit Diagrams
6. Lay out 4 Corner Units, 4 Star Point Units, and 1 black print \#4 A square as shown in Block Assembly Diagram. Join into rows; join rows to complete 1 Star block (Block Diagram). Make 9 Star blocks.


Block Assembly Diagram


Block Diagram


Quilt Top Assembly Diagram

## Quilt Assembly

1. Lay out blocks as shown in Quilt Top Assembly Diagram. Join into rows; join rows to complete quilt center.
2. Add black-and-white stripe side inner borders to quilt center. Add top and bottom inner borders to quilt.
3. Repeat for black-and-white print outer borders.

## Finishing

1. Divide backing into 2 ( $2^{1 / 4}$-yard) lengths. Cut 1 piece in half lengthwise to make 2 narrow panels. Join 1 narrow panel to each side of wider panel; press seam allowances toward narrow panels.
2. Layer backing, batting, and quilt top; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt
shown was quilted with an allover scroll design (Quilting Diagram).
3. Join $2^{114}$ "-wide black-and-white stripe strips into 1 continuous piece for straight-grain Frenchfold binding. Add binding to quilt.


Quilting Diagram

|  |  | Twin (71" $\times 89$ ") | Queen (89" $\times 89$ ") | King (107" $\times 107$ ") |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Blocks | 12 | 16 | 25 |
|  | Setting | $3 \times 4$ | $4 \times 4$ | $5 \times 5$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{n}{\cdot \frac{\pi}{U}} \\ & \frac{\pi}{む} \\ & \frac{\pi}{0} \end{aligned}$ | Black-and-White Print | $13 / 4$ yards | 2 yards | $21 / 2$ yards |
|  | Black-and-White Stripe | $11 / 2$ yards | $11 / 2$ yards | 13/4 yards |
|  | 3 White Prints | 1 yard each | $11 / 4$ yards each | $13 / 4$ yards each |
|  | 3 Black Prints | 1 yard each | $11 / 4$ yards each | $13 / 4$ yards each |
|  | Black Print \#4 | $1 / 2$ yard | 3/4 yard | 1 yard |
|  | Backing Fabric | $51 / 2$ yards | 8 yards | $91 / 2$ yards |
|  | Batting | Full-size | King-size | King-size |



Queen Size


King Size

## DESIGNER



Jean Ann Wright has been a professional quilter for twenty-five years. She enjoys the creative process and derives pleasure from teaching innovative and easy techniques to quilters.


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Our floral version of
these blocks features
prints in a softer palette.
Fabrics shown are from the Flora and Fauna collection
by Nikki Russell for
Benartex.




## MATERIALS

PROJECT RATING: INTERMEDIATE Size: $731 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 731 / 4 "$

Blocks: 41 (9") blocks

1 $1 / 8$ yards black-and-white stripe for blocks and inner border 2 yards black solid for blocks, outer border, and binding $5 / 8$ yard each of 10 assorted light, medium, and dark prints in black, gray, and white

Fons \& Porter Half \& Quarter
Ruler or template plastic
$41 / 2$ yards backing fabric Full-size quilt batting

## Cutting

Measurements include $1 / 4$ " seam allowances. Border strips are exact length needed. You may want to make them longer to allow for piecing variations. Instructions are written for using the Fons \& Porter Half \& Quarter Ruler. If not using this ruler, make a template from template plastic. Cut $101 / 4$ " square in quarters for template. Mark tip $1 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ from point and cut it off.

From black-and-white stripe, cut:

- 8 (2"-wide) strips. Piece strips to make 4 ( $2^{\prime \prime} \times 76^{\prime \prime}$ ) inner borders.


## From black solid, cut:

- 8 ( $33 / 4$ "-wide) strips. Piece strips to make $4\left(3^{3 / 4} " \times 76\right.$ " $)$ outer borders.
- 8 ( $21 / 4$ "-wide) strips for binding.


## From assorted fabrics including

black-and-white stripe and black solid, cut a total of:
NOTE: Cut all strips in sets of 2 matching strips.

- 8 ( $2^{1} / 8^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips.
- 38 (2"-wide) strips. NOTE: At least 12 of these $2^{\prime \prime}$-wide strips should be from the darkest fabrics and 6 from medium and light fabrics for setting triangles.
- 12 ( $13 / 4$ "-wide) strips.
- 16 ( $15 / 8^{\prime \prime}$-wide) strips.
- 32 ( $11 / 2$ "-wide) strips.
- 12 ( $11 / 4$ "-wide) strips.
- 8 (11/8"-wide) strips.
- 8 (1"-wide) strips.


## Setting Triangle Assembly

1. Join 2 dark $2^{\prime \prime}$-wide strips and 1 light $2^{\prime \prime}$-wide strip as shown in Strip Set \#1 Diagram. Press all
seams in same direction. Make 6 Strip Set \#1 in 3 sets of 2 identical strip sets.


Strip Set \#1 Diagram
2. Using the Fons \& Porter Half \& Quarter Ruler or template, cut 3 A triangles and 3 B triangles from each strip set as shown.
NOTE: $A$ and $B$ triangles are the same size. A triangles are cut from the bottom of the strip set and B triangles are cut from the top of the strip set.
3. Join 2 matching A triangles as shown in Side Setting Triangle Diagrams. Make 8 Side Setting Triangles. In the same manner, make 8 Side Setting Triangles using matching pairs of $B$ triangles. Remaining triangles are Corner Setting Triangles.


Side Setting Triangle Diagrams

## Block Assembly

1. Referring to Strip Set Diagrams \#1-\#7, use assorted print, stripe, and solid strips to make 4 each of strip sets \#1-\#7 in sets of 2 identical strip sets.
2. Using the Fons \& Porter Half \& Quarter Ruler or template, cut 3 A triangles and 3 B triangles from each strip set. Keep triangles in matching pairs.
NOTE: Triangle pairs must be joined with triangle pairs of the same strip set number so the seams will match.
For blocks \#1-\#6, A triangles can be used with $B$ triangles. For block \#7, 4 A triangles or 4 B triangles must be used.
3. Join pairs of triangles to make 41 blocks (Block Diagrams).You will have 2 pairs of triangles left over.


Strip Set \#2


Strip Set \#3


Strip Set \#4


Strip Set \#5


Strip Set \#6


Strip Set \#7
Strip Set Diagrams


## Quilt Assembly

1. Lay out blocks and setting triangles as shown in Quilt Top Assembly Diagram. Join into diagonal rows; join rows to complete quilt center.
2. Join 1 inner border and 1 outer border as shown in Quilt Top Assembly Diagram. Make 4 borders.
3. Add borders to quilt center, mitering corners.

## WEB <br> EXTRA

For instructions on mitering borders for this project, visit our Web site at www.FonsandPorter.com/mborders.

## Finishing

1. Divide backing into 2 ( $2^{1 ⁄ 4}$-yard) lengths. Cut 1 piece in half lengthwise to make 2 narrow

Quilt Top Assembly Diagram
panels. Join 1 narrow panel to each side of wider panel; press seam allowances toward narrow panels.
2. Layer backing, batting, and quilt top; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt shown was quilted in the ditch and with diagonal lines in the outer border (Quilting Diagram).
3. Join $2 \frac{1}{4}$ "-wide black solid strips into 1 continuous piece for straight-grain French-fold binding. Add binding to quilt.


Quilting Diagram


Pink and green prints, stripes, plaids, and florals lend a soft look to this geometric design.

We used fabrics from the Blossoms (Simply Simple Quilts) line by Ro Gregg for Northcott.


## DESIGNER



Lynda Faires grew up sewing, and says she loves fabric. She makes wearable art, art quilts, bed quilts, and mixed media collages. Lynda teaches and exhibits nationally and internationally. \%

