

STASH SAFE

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Pull out your stash gems and put them in this safe. But don't hide it away... This is a quilt meant to be viewed, used and enjoyed!

Based on a Stash Swap of 40 ea. 10" squares

Additional fabrics needed:

1 3/4 yard: Light (Background and Inner Border)

1 1/2 yard: Multi-Color Print (Outer Border/Binding)

Cutting:

Background: (Bkg)

36 ea. 6 1/2" squares

Inner Border: 6 ea. 1 1/2" x Width of Fabric (WoF) Background

From Multi-Color Print:

Outer Border: 7 ea. 4 1/2" x WoF and 7 ea. 2 1/2" x WoF (Binding)

From Swap Squares (10"): Use them all or pick out your favorites!

96 ea. 2 1/2" X 10" strips (Note: You can get 4 strips from each square... 4 X 48= 192 strips.

You only "need" 72 strips so you can choose!)

Assembly:

1. Stitch together 24 random pairs of different strips. Stitch these pairs into strip sets of four strips. Cut each strip into four ea. 4 square units. Set aside.

2. You should have at least 48 strips left. Trim a 2 1/2" square off at least 36. Set the squares aside.

3. Stitch 24 of these remaining strips into 12 random pairs. Then add an extra strip to make 12 ea. three strip-Strip Sets. Keep it mixed up. Cut each strip into three ea. 3 square units.

4. Add the three square Step 3 units to one side of the background squares. Make 36.

5. Add the 4 square Step 1 units to an adjacent side of each block as shown. Mix it up, turning the strips around for variety. Make 36.

6. Remember those squares set aside in Step 2? Now you are going to snowball (using a diagonal seam as shown at right) those squares onto the "Free" corner of each block. Make 36 ea. 8 1/2" Stash Safe blocks.

Setting:

These blocks are lots of fun to play with settings. A few possibilities are pictured below. When you find the setting you like best, stitch the blocks together into six rows of six blocks.

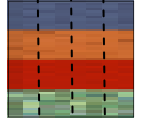
Add inner border of 1 1/2" strips.

Add outer border of 4 1/2" strips.

Layer with Backing and Batting. Quilt as desired. Bind with 2 1/2" strips.



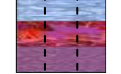
Cut squares to strips



Stitch sets of 4, cut units



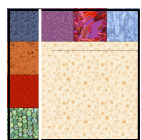
Trim 36 sqs. Set aside



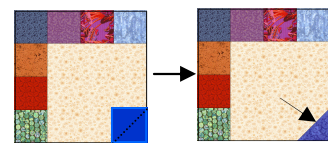
Sets of 3, cut units



Add 3s to Bkg square



Add 4s



Snowball set aside squares to complete block

