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PROJECT: Pinwheel Pals



Quilters often give their time and talents to make quilts for charity. The instructions include yardage and cutting lists for four popular charity sizes (in addition to the original quilt size).

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56½×72½" quilt ↗

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PLAN YOUR QUILT

Choose your quilt size on the chart on page 3. The instructions that follow are for the 56½×72½" quilt. Referring to the chart, substitute the materials, cutting instructions, and quilt assembly as needed in the instructions below.

MATERIALS

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

- 1¼ yards aqua print (blocks)
- 1¼ yards black polka dot (blocks)
- 2⅞ yards novelty print (setting squares)
- ¾ yard gray print (binding)
- 3⅝ yards backing fabric
- 64×80" batting

FINISHED QUILT: 56½×72½"

FINISHED BLOCKS: 8" square

CUT FABRICS

Cut pieces in the following order. See Optional Sizes chart, page 3, for alternate sizes.

From aqua print, cut:

- 64—4⅞" squares

From black polka dot, cut:

- 64—4⅞" squares

From novelty print, cut:

- 31—8½" squares

From gray print, cut:

- 7—2½×42" binding strips

ASSEMBLE PINWHEEL BLOCKS

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Press seams in directions indicated by arrows on diagrams. If no direction is specified, press seam toward darker fabric.

1. Use a pencil to mark a diagonal line on wrong side of each aqua print 4⅞" square.

2. Layer a marked aqua print square atop black polka dot 4⅞" square. Sew together with two seams, stitching on each side of drawn line (**Diagram 1**)

3. Cut apart on drawn line to make two triangle units. Press open each triangle unit to make two matching triangle-squares. Each triangle-square should be 4½" square including seam allowances.

4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to make 128 triangle-squares total.

5. Sew together four triangle-squares in pairs (**Diagram 2**). Press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make a Pinwheel block. Press seam in one direction. The block should be 8½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 32 Pinwheel blocks total.

ASSEMBLE QUILT TOP

1. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, alternate Pinwheel blocks and novelty print 8½" squares in nine horizontal rows, starting each odd-numbered row with a Pinwheel block. Sew blocks together in rows. Press seams toward novelty print squares.

2. Join rows to complete quilt top. Press seams open.

FINISH QUILT

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste.

2. Quilt as desired. Teresa Silva machine-quilted curlicues across the quilt top (**Quilting Diagram**).

3. Bind with gray print binding strips.

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Optional Sizes

40½" square

Number of Pinwheel blocks total 13

5 rows of 5 blocks each, alternating
Pinwheel blocks and setting squares

MATERIALS:

- ⅔ yard aqua print
- ⅔ yard black polka dot
- ⅞ yard novelty print
- ½ yard gray print
- 2¾ yards backing fabric
- 49" square batting

CUT FABRICS:

From aqua print, cut:

- 26—4⅞" squares

From black polka dot, cut:

- 26—4⅞" squares

From novelty print, cut:

- 12—8½" squares

From gray print, cut:

- 5—2½×42" binding strips



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40½×48½"

Number of Pinwheel blocks total 15

6 rows of 5 blocks each, alternating
Pinwheel blocks and setting squares

MATERIALS:

- ¾ yard aqua print
- ¾ yard black polka dot
- 1¼ yards novelty print
- ½ yard gray print
- 2¾ yards backing fabric
- 49×57" batting

CUT FABRICS:

From aqua print, cut:

- 30—4⅞" squares

From black polka dot, cut:

- 30—4⅞" squares

From novelty print, cut:

- 15—8½" squares

From gray print, cut:

- 5—2½×42" binding strips



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64½×80½"

Number of Pinwheel blocks total 40

10 rows of 8 blocks each, alternating
Pinwheel blocks and setting squares

MATERIALS:

- 1⅝ yards aqua print
- 1⅝ yards black polka dot
- 2½ yards novelty print
- ¾ yard gray print
- 5 yards backing fabric
- 73×91" batting

CUT FABRICS:

From aqua print, cut:

- 80—4⅞" squares

From black polka dot, cut:

- 80—4⅞" squares

From novelty print, cut:

- 40—8½" squares

From gray print, cut:

- 8—2½×42" binding strips



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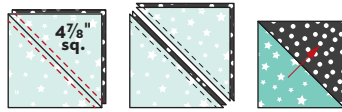


Diagram 1

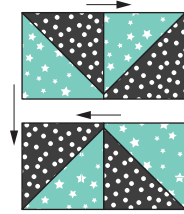
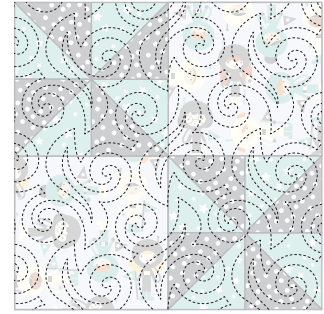


Diagram 2



Quilting Diagram



Quilt Assembly Diagram