

PHOEBE'S FLOWER BOX QUILT - 35" x 41"



This pattern is adapted from Missouri Star Quilt Company. Jenny Doan has an Internet tutorial that can be viewed on www.youtube.com.

This kit contains 25 strips, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and 22" long. There is about 30" of solid fabric for the sashing strips and a border. The kit also includes backing fabric.

Pair up your strips so they will contrast (light/dark or bold/small print). Sew them along the long side and press to the darker side. Cut the strip sets into $3\frac{1}{2}$ " sections. Mix up the sections and sew them into four-patches. You need 30 four-patches. They will be irregular - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". If you have leftovers, return them when you turn in your quilt.

Cut two $6\frac{1}{2}$ " strips across the width of the solid fabric. Cross-cut the two strips into as many $1\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles as possible. Each strip should yield about 26 pieces. You need 60 to complete the quilt, so you should cut a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strip across the width of the fabric and then cross-cut it into $6\frac{1}{2}$ " segments. Make sure you have 60 pieces.

Sew a $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle on the long side of the four-patches. Press the completed blocks. The blocks are arranged by alternating a vertical-striped block with a horizontal-striped block (see illustration). Set the blocks 5 across and 6 down. Cut the remaining solid fabric into four strips about 3" wide. Sew a border strip on each of the four sides. Press the top well.

Layer the backing, batting and top. Machine quilt no farther apart than 6". Bind it and sew on the label. Thanks for making an Ottawa County baby (and mom) happy.

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