

Simply Quilts Episode #615 – The Plaid Quilt

Many of you may have missed part of the information while trying to write the numbers down and watch the demonstration at the same time. Here are the yardages and cutting information for the lap size project. Other sizes and complete instructions, including detailed diagrams and two color photographs of “plaid quilts” are included in the book *Quilting Season*.

Fabric Requirements for the “Plaid Quilt”

Fabric #1 (yellow)	1/2 yard
Fabric #2 (blue green)	7/8 yard
Fabric #3 (hot pink)	7/8 yard
Fabric #4 (dark red violet)	3/4 yard
Fabric #5 (dark royal blue)	7/8 yard
Border	1 3/4 yards

Cutting Information for the “Plaid Quilt”

Strips are cut across the fabric, making them approximately 42” long with selvages on both of the short ends.

Fabric #1

Cut four strips 2 1/2” wide.

Cut one strip 1 1/2” wide.

Cut this strip into twenty 1 1/2” squares. These are the cornerstones.

Fabric #2

Cut four strips 5 1/2” wide.

Use two strips for strip piecing.

Cut the other two strips into twenty-four 2 1/2” x 5 1/2” rectangles.

Fabric #3

Cut three strips 3 1/2” wide.

Cut four strips 2 1/2” wide.

Fabric #4

Cut four strips 3 1/2” wide.

Fabric #5

Cut two strips 12 1/2” wide.

Cut these strips into thirty-one 1 1/2” x 12 1/2” rectangles for the sashing.

Piecing Information for the “Plaid Quilt”

Sew a 2 1/2” strip of fabric #1 to a 3 1/2” strip of fabric #3 along the long edge. Repeat two more times to make a total of three panels. Press the seam allowances toward fabric #3. Cut these panels into forty-eight sections that are 2 1/2” wide. Label these A.

Sew a 2 1/2” strip of fabric #3 to a 3 1/2” strip of fabric #4 along the long edge. Repeat three more times to make a total of four panels. Press the seam allowances toward fabric #3. Cut these panels into forty-eight sections that are 3 1/2” wide. Label these B.

Sew a 5 1/2” strip of fabric #2 to both long edges of the remaining 2 1/2” strip of fabric #1. Press the seam allowances toward the fabric #2 strips. Cut this panel into twelve 2 1/2” wide sections. Label these C.

Making the Blocks

Place the following five pieces in order, left to right: one A (with fabric #1 at the top), one B (with fabric #3 at the top), one 2 1/2” x 5 1/2” rectangle of fabric #2 (standing on the short end), one B (with fabric #3 at the top), and one A (with fabric #1 at the top). Sew these pieces together in that order. Press all of the seam allowances toward the rectangle of fabric #2. Repeat to make a total of twenty-four sections.

To complete the blocks, place one of the sections from above on both sides of each C. Make sure the pieced sections from above are rotated so that the fabric #1 squares are in all four corners of the block. Make twelve blocks. Press the seam allowances toward C.

Completing the Quilt

Set the quilt together with the sashing and cornerstones. Make four rows of three blocks. Add borders as desired. Quilt, bind, & enjoy!