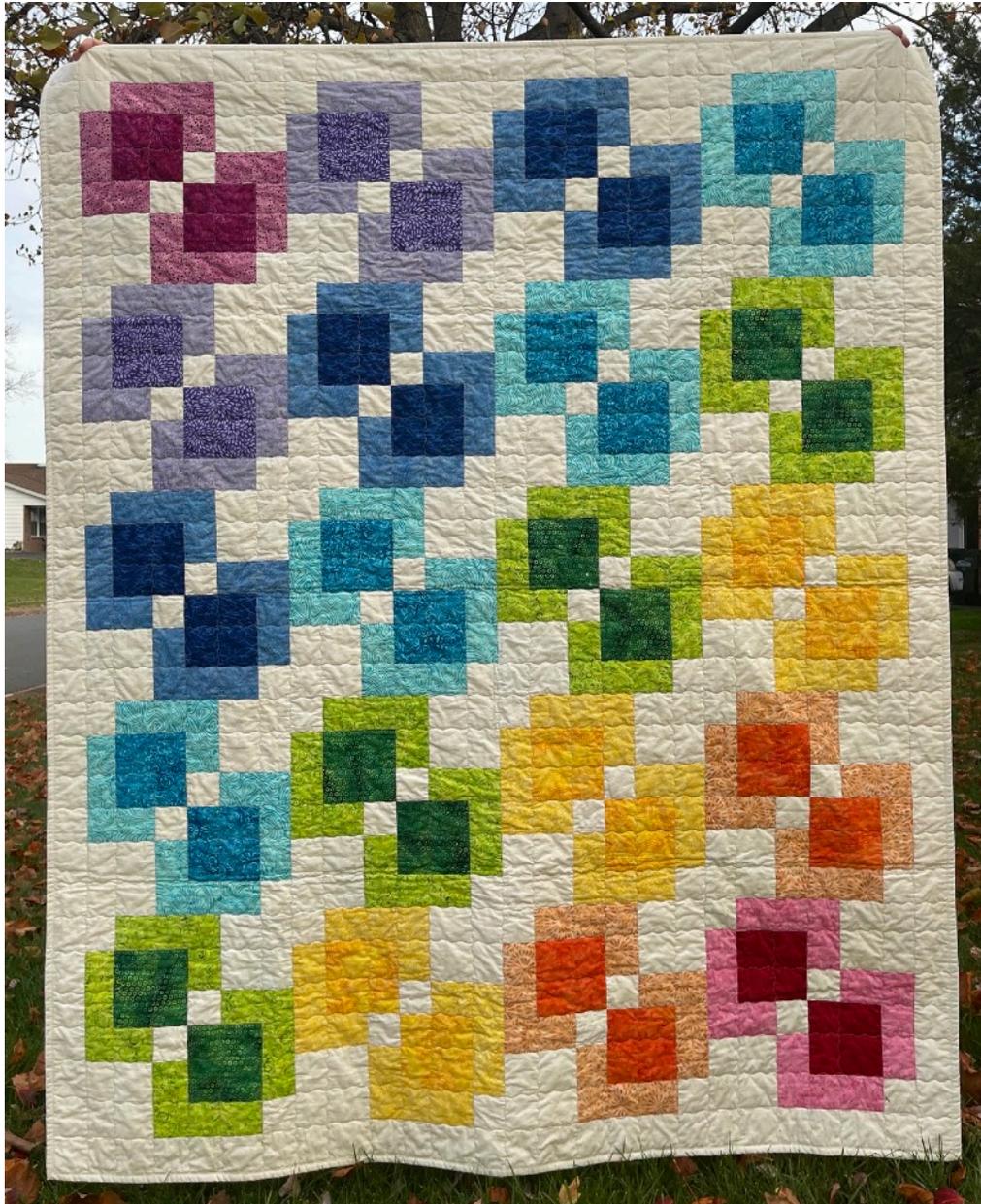


Rainbow Parade (57" by 70")

Quilt Pattern by Sew Preeti Quilts



Please read all instructions carefully before beginning.
These directions assume that the fabric width is at least 40" from selvage to selvage.
All seams are 1/4".
All seams are pressed open (personal preference).

General

The Rainbow Parade Quilt is made up of one simple block that only looks complicated. There are 20 blocks, arranged in a layout of four by five.

Reddish Purple - One Block
Bluish Purple - Two Blocks
Blue - Three Blocks
Turquoise - Four Blocks
Green - Four Blocks
Yellow - Three Blocks
Orange - Two Blocks
Red/Pink - One Block

Fabric Requirements & Cutting Directions

The quilt uses eight colors (light and dark) for a total of 16 fabrics, plus the background.

White Background - 1 3/4 yards.

Cut eight strips 5" by width of fabric (WOF). Sub cut into 5" squares. We need 60.

Cut seven strips 3" by WOF for borders. Stitch three strips end to end and cut in half for two short borders. Stitch two strips end to end for one long border. Repeat for the second long border.

For each of the following fabrics (1 through 4), we need two strips 5" by WOF.

1. Light Blue - Cut 12 5" squares.
2. Light Yellow - Cut 12 5" squares.
3. Light Turquoise - Cut 16 5" squares.
4. Light Green - Cut 16 5" squares.

For each of the following fabrics (5 though 16), we need one strip 5" by WOF.

5. Reddish Purple (Dark) - Cut two 5" squares.
6. Red - Cut two 5" squares.
7. Reddish Purple (Light) - Cut four 5" squares.
8. Pink - Cut four 5" squares.
9. Bluish Purple (Dark) - Cut four 5" squares.
10. Dark Orange - Cut four squares 5".
11. Dark Blue - Cut six 5" squares
12. Dark Yellow - Cut six 5" squares
13. Dark Turquoise - Cut eight 5" squares
14. Dark Green - Cut eight 5" squares
15. Bluish Purple (Light) - Cut eight 5" squares.
16. Light Orange - Cut eight 5" squares

Binding and Backing

You will need about 1/2 yard for Binding. Cut seven strips 2.5" by WOF.

For Backing you will need about 3 1/2 yards. Cut in half and stitch the two halves together, along the selvage. The pieced backing should measure about 63" by 80".

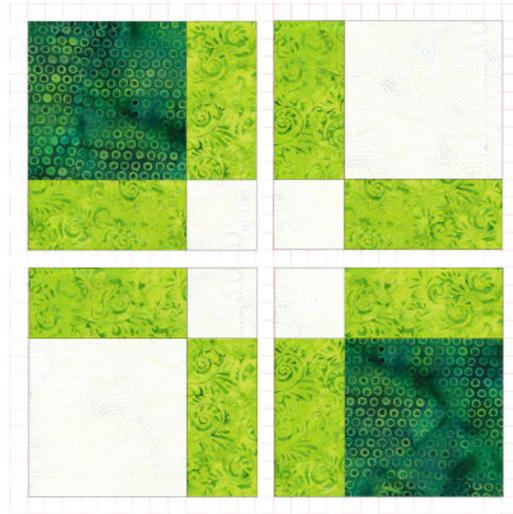
Making the Block

We will make the blocks one color (using both light and dark fabrics) at a time. Gather two dark green squares, four light green squares and three background squares. Arrange in a nine patch layout as shown below in the picture on the left.

Start by placing white squares in the center and two corners, making a diagonal. Next, place the two dark green squares in the two remaining corners. Lastly, fill the missing middle places using light green squares.



Nine-Patch, 14"

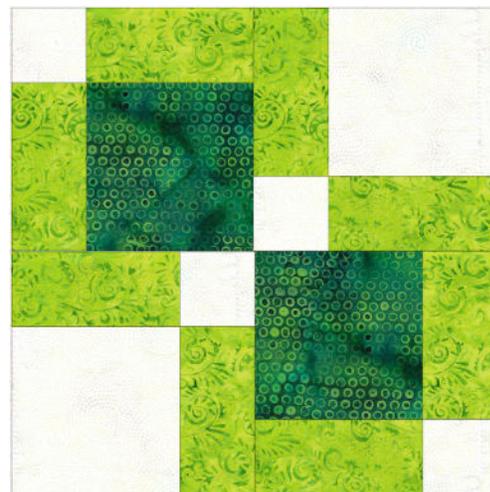
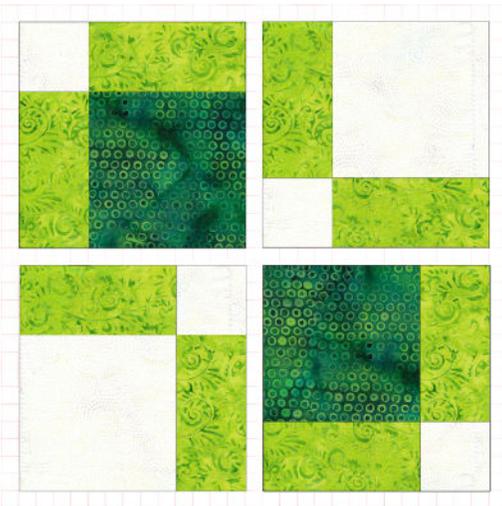


Cut into four quarters, 7" each

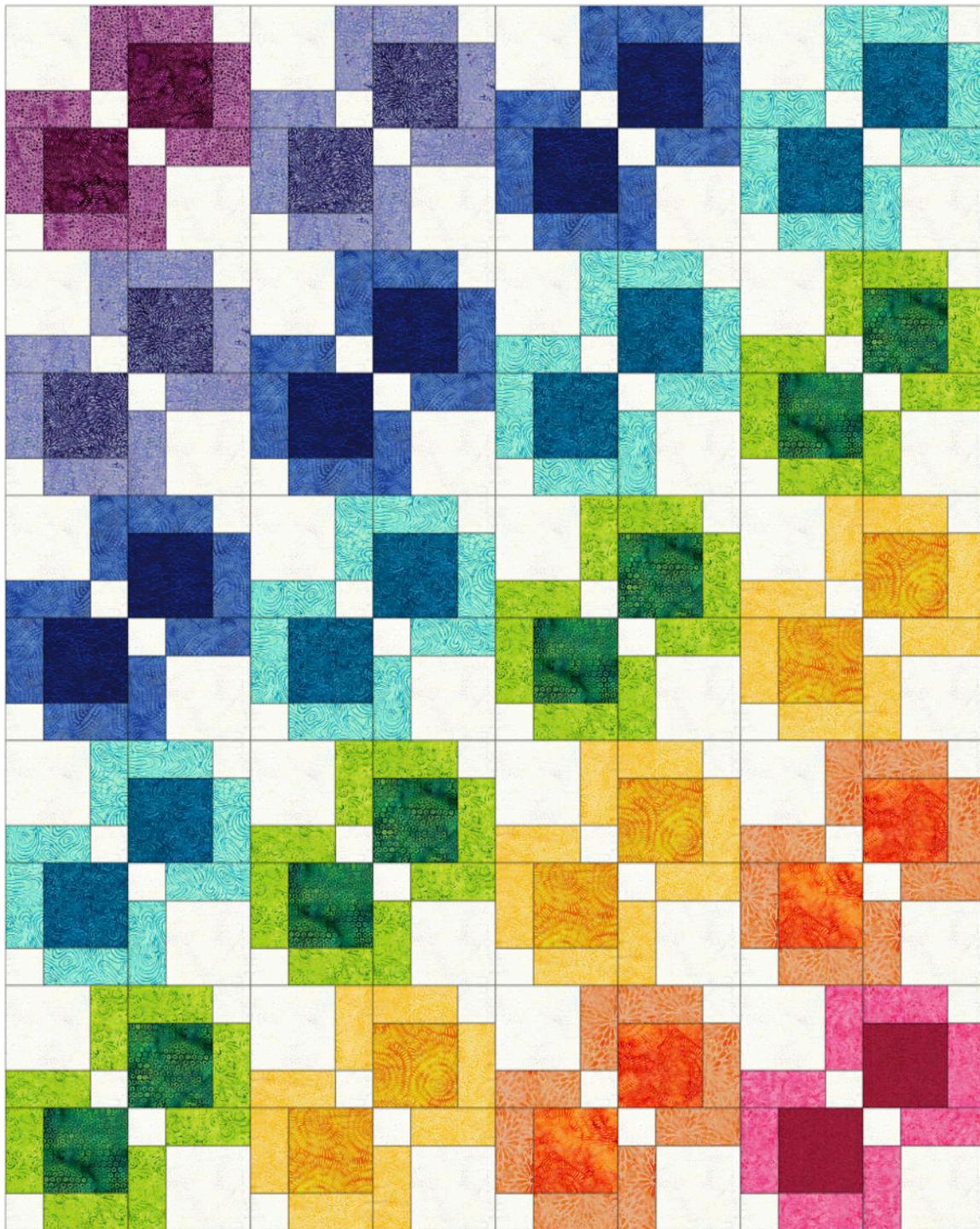
Stitch these nine squares together like a nine-patch block. Press and square to 14".

Cut this nine patch into quarters to get four equal squares, each measuring 7".

Turn around the dark quarters as shown in picture below. Stitch together like a 4-patch. Press and square to 13.5". Do a happy dance!!!



Similarly make all the blocks. Arrange as shown.



Stitch into columns and stitch the columns together. Press.
Add the borders. Press.
Layer, Baste, Quilt, Bind, Label and Enjoy!!!