A lot of my quilting buddies wanted to know how this was made, and since it's such an easy quilt, I decided to share it as a free tutorial!

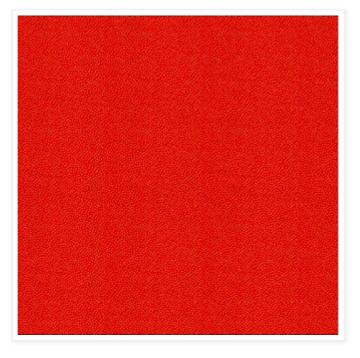


You'll need to decide what color you want to use for your shadows and border, and what color you want to use for your background. (I chose black shadows and a white background.)

From your background fabric, cut:
48 squares 1-1/2" x 1-1/2"
5 squares 2" x 2"
28 strips 2" x 9-1/2"
30 strips 2" x 11"

From your shadow fabric, cut:
24 strips 1-1/2" x 7-1/2"
24 strips 1-1/2" x 8-1/2"
(Outside border is cut 4-1/2" wide on my quilt.)

Next, cut 24 squares from all different fabrics @ 8-1/2" x 8-1/2"



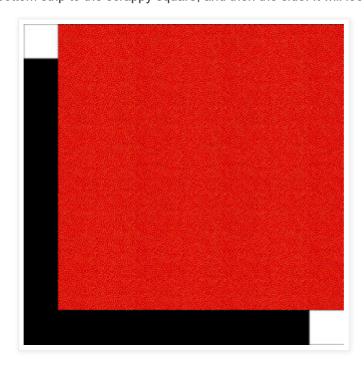
Now you'll sew one of your small white squares to your 7-1/2" long shadow strip for the bottom of each square:



Next you'll sew one of your small white squares to your 8-1/2" shadow strip for the side of the square:

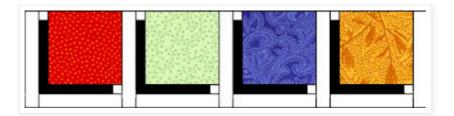


Sew the bottom strip to the scrappy square, and then the side. It will look like this:

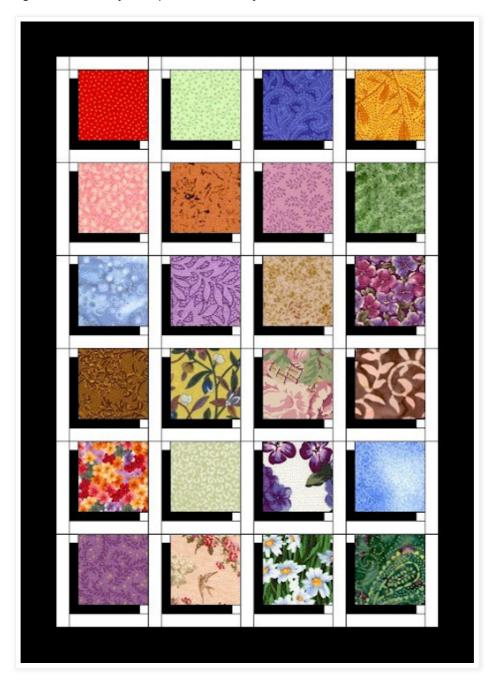


Now you'll add your sashing parts. First, to the bottom of the square above, you will add one of your 2" x 9-1/2" strips of background fabric.

Then to the left side of the square you will add one of your 2" x 11" strips of background fabric. Sew 4 blocks together per row, and finish the row with a final 2" x 11" strip of background.



Make 6 rows like that, and sew them together, adding a final set of 9-1/2" background strips with 2" squares of background fabric to your top row, and then your outter border, so that it looks like this:



Your finished quilt will be about 51-1/2" x 72-1/2"

Happy Quilting! Jean MaDan



Another great quilt by Candace Wragg, using my tutorial. Terrific job, as usual!



This one is made by Gloria Hooker. Wonderful! Love that red!!



Loretta Webre made hers in shades of blue, and one block wider.

Loretta said:

I'd like to tell you a little about why I made this quilt for my Godmother. You see, my mother died when I was 9, and I have always been very close to my Godmother, my mother's sister, as she was always there for me. I really consider her my 2nd mother, and don't believe I would be the woman I am today, were it not for her love and guidance. Her favorite color is blue, and she celebrated her 75th birthday on the 6th of Sept. I wanted to make the quilt for her as soon as I found your pattern, but Hurricane Isaac intervened and really messed up my plans. I had a house full of people, who could not get home due to flooding, no power for 6 days, and no running water. A very stressful time, to say the least. Making this quilt was great therapy. I delivered it to my Aunt yesterday and she and my Uncle absolutely loved the quilt. She asked about the pattern, and I explained how I saw it on your blog. I named the quilt Out of the Blues.

I think I'll make another one using LSU purple and gold, with tiger faces as the main blocks.

Thank you, again. Loretta

