

Project: Nautical Baby Quilt

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Make a splash with a nautical-theme crib quilt. Stitched in pink prints and rose polka dots, this baby quilt will make a great gift for any baby girl. Nautical-theme prints from the Baby Love collection by Susan Branch for RJR Fabrics (rjrfabrics.com) feature the wisdom of Benjamin Franklin: "Little boats should keep near shore."

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Materials

- 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ yards white print (center block, star blocks, small boat blocks)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard rose polka dot (center block, star blocks, middle border)
- 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards pink boat print (center block, outer border, binding)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard white polka dot (center block, inner border)
- $\frac{1}{3}$ yard pink tone-on-tone (center block, sashing)
- 9×22" piece (fat eighth) pink wave print (center block)
- $\frac{1}{3}$ yard pink plaid (small boat blocks)
- 2 $\frac{7}{8}$ yards backing fabric
- 51×63" batting

Finished quilt: 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×56 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Finished star block: 3" square

Finished small boat block:
6" square

Quantities are for 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

Measurements include $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the following order. Because the pink boat print is a directional print, cut long outer border strips lengthwise (parallel to the selvages) and short outer border strips crosswise. Cut binding strips lengthwise, as well.

Patterns are on page 5.

Remember to add a $\frac{3}{16}$ " seam allowance to appliqué pieces when cutting them out.

From white print, cut:

- 1—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- 3—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×14 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- 1—8 $\frac{3}{8}$ ×9 $\frac{7}{8}$ " rectangle, cutting it in half diagonally for 2 extra-large triangles total (you will use 1)

- 1—6 $\frac{7}{8}$ ×8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " rectangle, cutting it in half diagonally for 2 large triangles total (you will use 1)
- 1—3 $\frac{7}{8}$ " square, cutting it in half diagonally for 2 medium triangles total
- 1—2×6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- 1—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×8" rectangle
- 1—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- 6—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- 4—1×3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- 35—2 $\frac{3}{8}$ " squares, cutting each in half diagonally for 70 small triangles total
- 70—2" squares
- 16—1 $\frac{7}{8}$ " squares, cutting each in half diagonally for 32 extra-small triangles total
- 32—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From rose polka dot, cut:

- 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42 $\frac{1}{2}$ " middle border strips
- 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×32 $\frac{1}{2}$ " middle border strips
- 1—3 $\frac{7}{8}$ " square, cutting it in half diagonally for 2 medium triangles total
- 1—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- 16—1 $\frac{7}{8}$ " squares, cutting each in half diagonally for 32 extra-small triangles total
- 8—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- 1 of Pattern A

From pink boat print, cut:

- 3—6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips for outer border (cut crosswise)
- 2—6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×44 $\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips (cut lengthwise)
- 5—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×44 $\frac{1}{2}$ " binding strips (cut lengthwise)
- 1—8 $\frac{3}{8}$ ×9 $\frac{7}{8}$ " rectangle, cutting it in half diagonally (upper left-hand corner to lower right-hand corner for directional print) for 2 extra-large triangles total (you will use 1)

From white polka dot, cut:

- 1—6 $\frac{7}{8}$ ×8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " rectangle, cutting it in half diagonally (upper right-hand corner to lower left-hand corner, if substituting directional print) for 2 large triangles total (you will use 1)
- 10—6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From pink tone-on-tone, cut:

- 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×28 $\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips
- 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×18 $\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips
- 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips
- 1—1×10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip
- 1 of Pattern B

From pink wave print, cut:

- 1—5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

From pink plaid, cut:

- 35—2 $\frac{3}{8}$ " squares, cutting each in half diagonally for 70 small triangles total
- 20—2" squares

Assemble Center Block

1. Sew together a white print medium triangle and a rose polka dot medium triangle to make a medium triangle-square (**Diagram 1**). Press seam toward rose polka dot. The triangle-square should be 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second medium triangle-square.
2. Referring to **Diagram 2**, join medium triangle-squares to rose polka dot 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to make boat bottom unit. Press seams toward rectangle.
3. Referring to **Diagram 3**, join a white print extra-large triangle to a pink boat print extra-large triangle to make a right-hand sail rectangle. Press seam toward pink triangle.

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4. Sew white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 8$ " rectangle to bottom edge of right-hand sail rectangle. Then sew pink tone-on-tone $1\times 10\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to left side edge of sail rectangle to make a right sail section (**Diagram 4**). Press seams toward added rectangles.

5. Referring to **Diagram 5**, join white print and white polka dot large triangles to make a left-hand sail rectangle; press seam toward polka dot triangle.

6. Join white print $2\times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to bottom edge of left-hand sail rectangle. Add white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to top edge to make a left sail section (**Diagram 6**). Press seams toward added rectangles.

7. Referring to **Diagram 7**, join sail sections to make sails unit; press seam toward pink tone-on-tone strip. Join sails unit to boat bottom unit to make pieced boat. Press seams toward boat bottom.

8. Referring to **Diagram 8**, sew a white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 14\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to top of pieced boat. Press seam toward white print rectangle. Then sew white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 14\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to side edges of pieced boat. Join pink wave print $5\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to bottom of pieced boat and white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to top edge to make center block. Press all seams toward added rectangles. The center block should be $16\frac{1}{2}\times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

9. Using thread that matches appliqués and turning under seam allowances as you go, hand-appliqué A flag and B circle to center block (**Diagram 8**).

Assemble Quilt Center

1. Join a rose polka dot extra-small triangle and a white print extra-small triangle to make an extra-small triangle-square (**Diagram 9**). Press seam toward rose polka dot triangle. The triangle-square should be $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 32 extra-small triangle-squares total.

2. Lay out four extra-small triangle-squares, four white print $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, and a rose polka dot $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square in three rows (**Diagram 10**). Join pieces in each row; press seams in one direction, alternating direction with each row. Join rows to make a star block. Press seams in one direction. The star block should be $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make eight star blocks total.

3. Sew pink tone-on-tone $1\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips to top and bottom edges of center block (**Quilt Assembly Diagram**). Press seams toward sashing.

4. Referring to **Diagram 11**, join four star blocks and three white print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles in a row, alternating blocks and rectangles. Press seams toward white print rectangles. Sew a white print $1\times 3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to each end of row to make a star block sashing row. Press seams toward white print rectangles. The row should be $3\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second star block sashing row.

5. Join star block sashing rows to top and bottom edges of center block (**Quilt Assembly Diagram**). Press seams toward pink tone-on-tone sashing strips.

6. Sew pink tone-on-tone $1\frac{1}{2}\times 28\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips to side edges of center block (**Quilt Assembly Diagram**). Join pink tone-on-tone $1\frac{1}{2}\times 18\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips to remaining edges to make quilt center. Press all seams toward sashing strips. The quilt center should be $18\frac{1}{2}\times 30\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Assemble Small Boat Blocks

1. Sew together a pink plaid small triangle and a white print small triangle to make a small triangle-square (**Diagram 12**). Press seam toward pink triangle. The triangle-square should be 2" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 70 small triangle-squares total.

2. Lay out seven small triangle-squares, seven white print 2" squares, and two pink plaid 2" squares in four rows (**Diagram 13**). Join pieces in each row. Press seams in one direction, alternating direction with each row. Join rows to make a small boat block. Press seams in one direction. The block should be $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 10 small boat blocks total.

Assemble and Add Borders

1. Sew together three white polka dot $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and two small boat blocks, alternating squares and blocks, to make a side inner border strip (**Quilt Assembly Diagram**). Press seams toward polka dot squares. Repeat to make a second side inner border strip. Join side inner border strips to side edges of quilt center; press seams toward quilt center.

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2. Join three small boat blocks and two white polka dot 6½" squares, alternating blocks and squares, to make a top inner border strip (**Quilt Assembly Diagram**). Press seams toward polka dot squares. Repeat to make a bottom inner border strip. Join top and bottom inner border strips to remaining edges of quilt center. Press seams toward quilt center.
3. Sew rose polka dot 1½×42½" middle border strips to long edges of quilt center. Join rose polka dot 1½×32½" middle border strips to remaining edges. Press all seams toward middle border.
4. Cut and piece crosswise-cut pink boat print 6½×42" strips to make:
 - 2—6½×44½" pieced outer border strips
5. Join lengthwise-cut pink boat print outer border strips to side edges of quilt center. Sew pieced outer border strips to remaining edges to complete quilt top. Press all seams toward outer border.

Finish Quilt

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste. Quilt as desired.
2. Bind with pink boat print binding strips.

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DIAGRAM 1



DIAGRAM 2

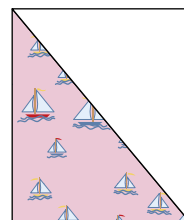


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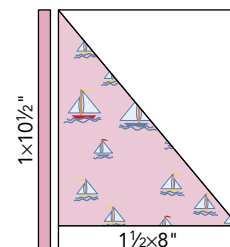


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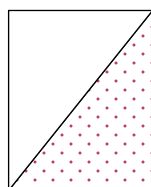


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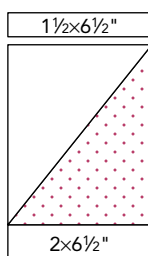


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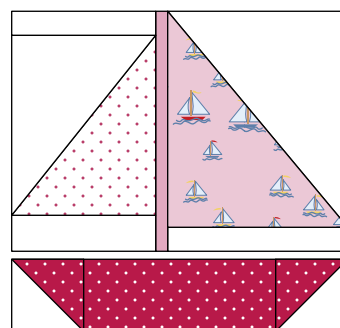


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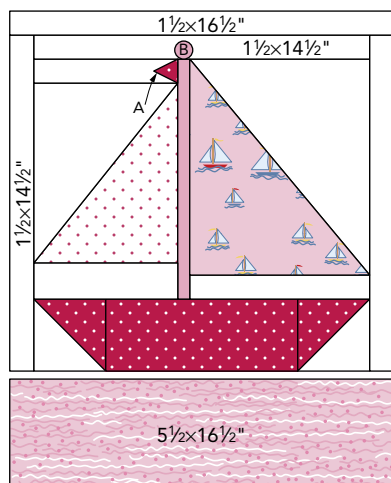


DIAGRAM 8



DIAGRAM 9



DIAGRAM 10

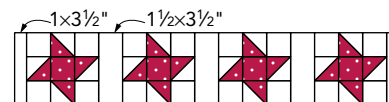


DIAGRAM 11



DIAGRAM 12

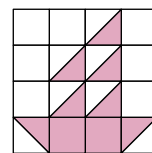
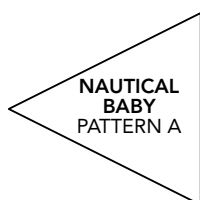


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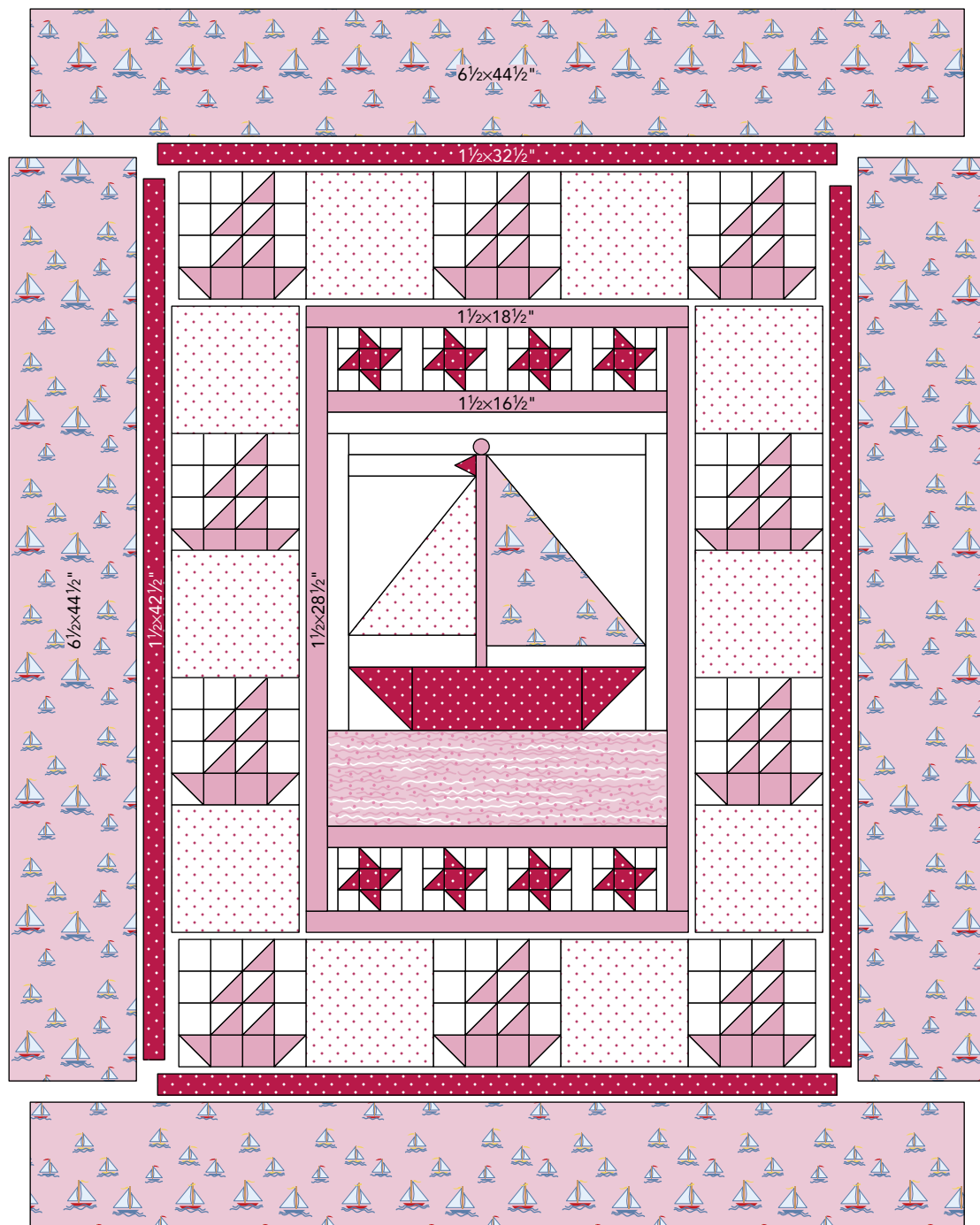
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