

Project: Seaside Cottage

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Kick back and relax! Precut bundles make it easy to create a scrappy throw that's perfect for lying out on the beach or keeping cozy on crisp evenings.

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Materials

- 1½ yards white floral (inner and outer borders)
- 10–10" precut squares or 1⅓ yards total assorted red, white, and blue prints (blocks)
- 60–2½×44" precut strips or 4¾ yards total assorted red, white, and blue prints (blocks, binding)
- ¾ yard red floral (middle border)
- 5¼ yards backing fabric
- 77×93" batting

Finished Quilt: 70½×86½"

Quantities are for 2½×44" precut strips, 10" precut squares, and 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics. **Measurements** include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the order that follows in each section. Because of the scrappy nature of the blocks, the cutting instructions for each block are with the unit and block assembly instructions. Keep all scraps for use in blocks.

From white floral, cut:

- 8–4½×42" strips for outer border
- 7–1½×42" strips for inner border

From red floral, cut:

- 7–2½×42" strips for middle border

Cut and Assemble Center Units

The following instructions make one center unit. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make 10 center units total.

From one assorted print 10" square, cut:

- 1–8½" square

From one assorted print 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 2–2½×12½" strips
- 2–2½×8½" strips

Referring to **Diagram 1**, sew short strips to opposite edges of 8½" square. Press seams toward strips. Join long strips to remaining edges to make a center unit. Press as before. The center unit should be 12½" square including seam allowances.

Cut and Assemble Blocks

The following instructions make one A block. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make four A blocks total.

From one assorted print 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 14–2½" squares

From a second 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 14–2½" squares

From a third 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 6–2½×6½" rectangles

From a fourth 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 6–2½×6½" rectangles

1. Sew together six 2½" squares, alternating colors, to make a short row. Press seams in one direction. The short row should be 2½×12½" including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second short row.

2. Repeat Step 1 using eight 2½" squares to make two long rows. Each long row should be 2½×16½" including seam allowances.

3. Join short rows to opposite edges of a center unit (**Diagram 2**). Join long rows

to remaining edges. Press all seams toward center unit.

4. Aligning short edges, sew together three 2½×6½" rectangles to make a 2½×18½" border unit, alternating colors as desired. Press seams in one direction. Repeat to make four border units total.

5. Add border units to center unit using a partial seam technique. First sew a border unit to one side of center unit, stopping about 3" from raw edge of center unit (**Diagram 3**).

6. Working in a clockwise direction, add remaining border units to remaining edges (**Diagram 4**). Press all seams toward border units. Complete stitching of first, or partial, seam to make block A. Block A should be 20½" square including seam allowances.

Cut and Assemble Blocks

The following instructions make one B block. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make two B blocks total.

From one assorted print 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 6–2½" squares

From a second 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 6–1½×2½" rectangles

From a third 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 6–1½×2½" rectangles

From a fourth 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 2–2½×16½" strips

From a fifth 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 2–1½×16½" strips

From a sixth 2½×44" strip, cut:

- 2–1½×16½" strips

1. Referring to **Diagram 5** for placement, lay out three 2½" squares and six 1½×2½"

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rectangles in two colors in a row. Join pieces to make a short unit. Press seams in one direction. The short unit should be $2\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second short unit.

2. Add short units to side edges of a center unit (**Diagram 6**). Press seams toward center unit.
3. Referring to **Diagram 7** for placement, lay out one $2\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " strip and two $1\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " strips in two colors. Sew together pieces to make a long unit. Press seams in one direction. The long unit should be $4\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second long unit.
4. Sew long units to top and bottom edges of Step 2 center unit to make block B (**Diagram 8**). Press seams away from center unit. Block B should be $16\frac{1}{2} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Cut and Assemble C Units

The following instructions make one C unit. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make six C units total.

From one color scrap, cut:

- 1— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

From a second color scrap, cut:

- 4— $1\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

Referring to **Diagram 9**, sew two $1\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to long edges of $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle. Join remaining $1\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to top and bottom edges to make unit C. Press all seams away from center. Unit C should be $4\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Cut and Assemble C Blocks

The following instructions make one C block. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make two C blocks total.

From one color scrap, cut:

- 2— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

Sew together three C units and two $2\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to make block C (**Diagram 10**). Press seams in one direction. Block C should be $6\frac{1}{2} \times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Cut and Assemble D Blocks

The following instructions make one D block. Repeat cutting and assembly instructions to make four D blocks total.

From assorted scraps, cut:

- 2— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 2— $1\frac{1}{2} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

Referring to **Diagram 11** for placement, sew together four assorted strips to make block D. Press seams in one direction. Block D should be $6\frac{1}{2} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Assemble Quilt Center

From assorted scraps, piece and cut:

- 4— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

1. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, lay out four A blocks, two B blocks, two C blocks, four D blocks, four remaining center units, and four assorted $2\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles in five horizontal rows.
2. Sew together blocks and units in each row. Press seams toward A blocks and C blocks.

3. Join rows to make quilt center. The quilt center should be $56\frac{1}{2} \times 64\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.

Add Inner Border

1. Cut and piece white floral $1\frac{1}{2} \times 42$ " strips to make:
 - 2— $1\frac{1}{2} \times 64\frac{1}{2}$ " inner border strips
 - 2— $1\frac{1}{2} \times 58\frac{1}{2}$ " inner border strips
2. Add long inner border strips to side edges of quilt center. Join short inner border strips to remaining edges. Press seams toward inner border.

Add Pieced Border

From assorted scraps, cut:

- 58— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

1. Aligning long edges, join 29 assorted $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to make a pieced border. Repeat to make a second pieced border. Each pieced border should be $4\frac{1}{2} \times 58\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.
2. Sew pieced borders to top and bottom edges of quilt center. Press seams toward inner border.

Add Middle Border

1. Cut and piece red floral $2\frac{1}{2} \times 42$ " strips to make:
 - 2— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 74\frac{1}{2}$ " middle border strips
 - 2— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 62\frac{1}{2}$ " middle border strips
2. Add long middle border strips to side edges of quilt center. Join short middle border strips to top and bottom edges. Press seams toward middle border.

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Add Outer Border

1. Cut and piece white floral $4\frac{1}{2} \times 42$ " strips to make:
 - 2— $4\frac{1}{2} \times 78\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips
 - 2— $4\frac{1}{2} \times 70\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips
2. Add long outer border strips to side edges of quilt center. Join short outer border strips to top and bottom edges to complete quilt top. Press seams toward outer border.

Finish Quilt

From remaining blue print scraps, cut:

- Enough $2\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide strips to total 320" in length for binding

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste.
2. Quilt as desired. Quilt designer Judi Madsen machine-quilted this project in an allover scroll design.
3. Using diagonal seams, join assorted $2\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide scraps to make one long binding strip. Bind with pieced binding strip.

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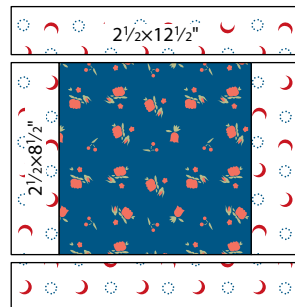


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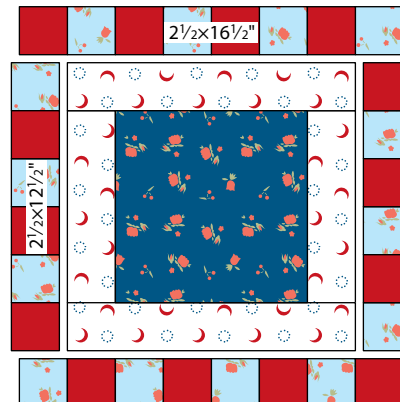


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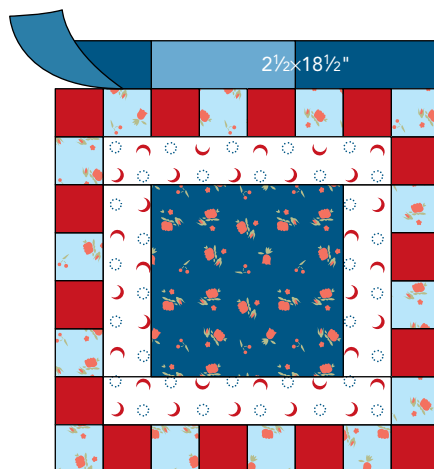


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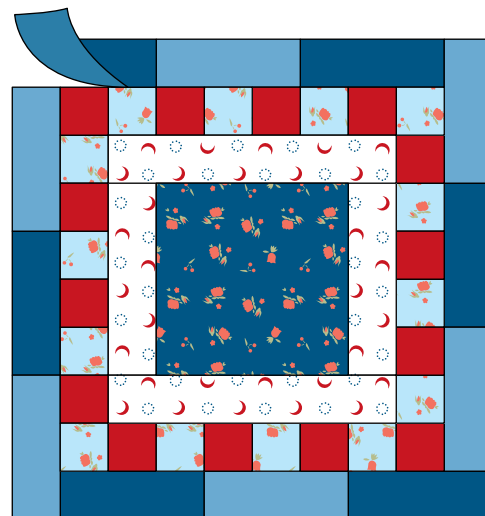


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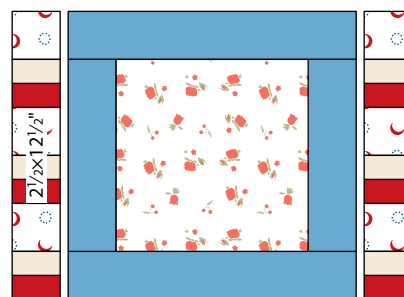


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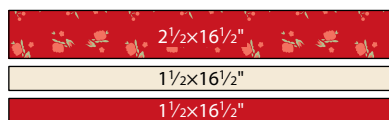


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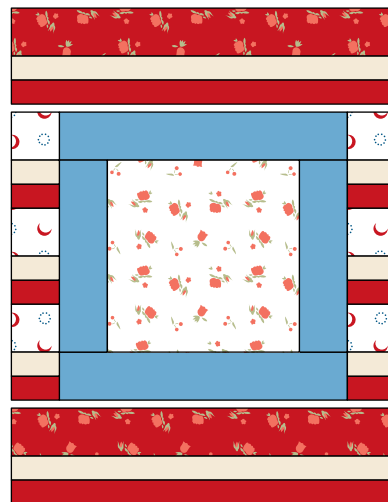


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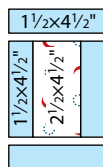


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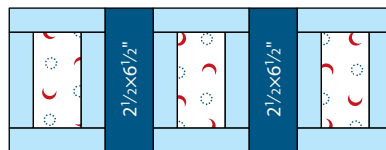


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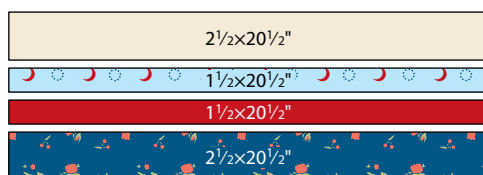
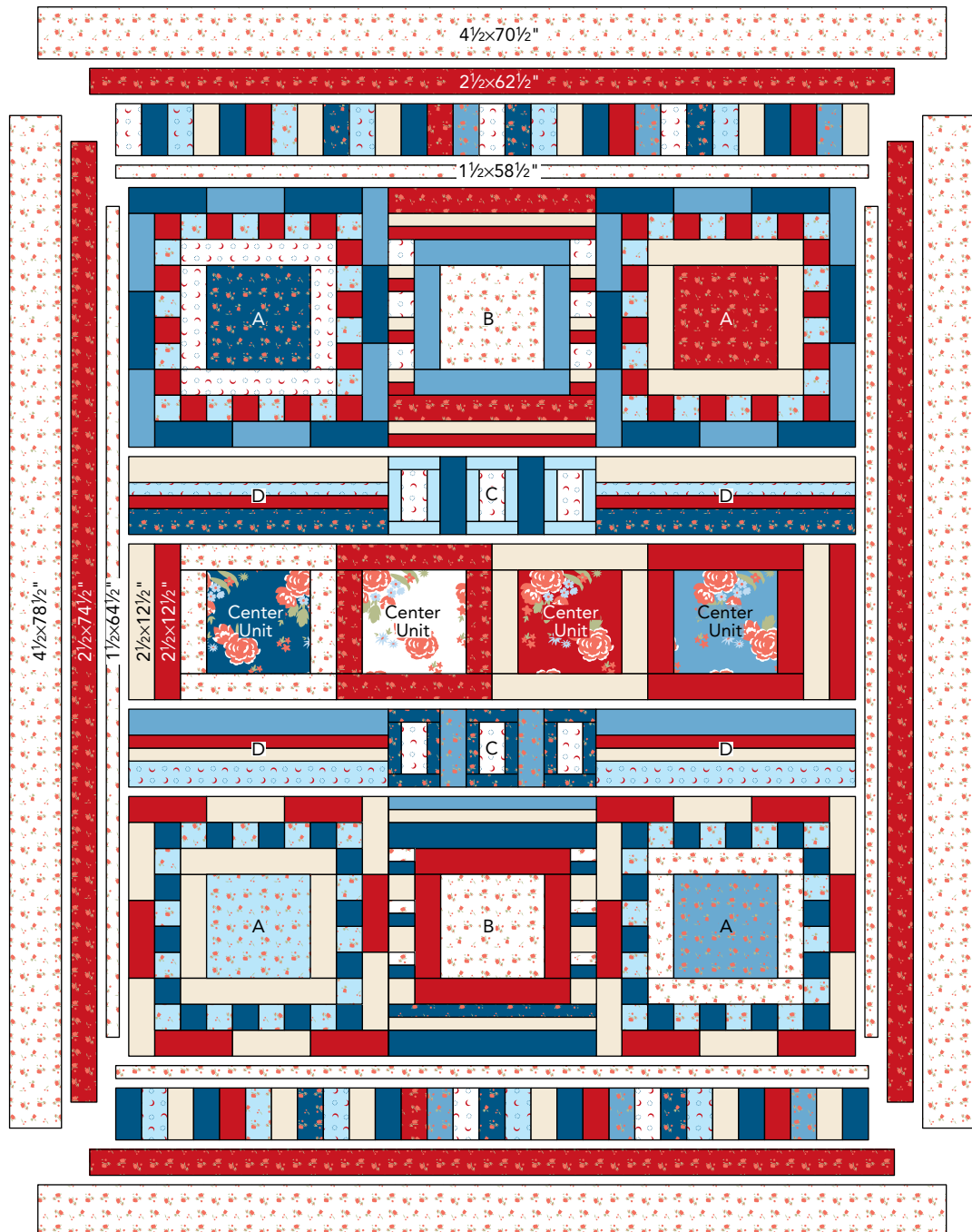


DIAGRAM 11

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QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM