

Sweet - Lil' - Things

44 1/2" x 52"

Materials

1/4 yd of ten small prints (choose 5 pairs that co-ordinate with each other)

1 1/4 yds sashing and binding fabric

5/8 yd border fabric

1 1/4 yd backing fabric

12" x 30" fusible web

Heart Blocks (6" finished)

1. Cut 1 – 6 1/2" strip EACH of the small prints. Pair two co-coordinating strips right sides together. Cut 6 – 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" pairs and 6 – 3" x 6 1/2" pairs from each pair of strips.
2. Sew 6 – 3 1/2" pairs together on long side with 1/4" seam allowance to make 6 – 6 1/2" background squares. Press seams open. Sew the 6 - 3" pairs together on long edge. Press seams open. The hearts will be cut from these 5 1/2" pieces. Repeat process with all pairs of strips.
3. Cut out heart template and paste to cardstock to facilitate tracing.
4. According to manufacturer's directions, fuse 5 1/2" square of fusible to back of one of the pieces made for the hearts. Align center line of heart template along seam line and trace. Cut out along line. Remove paper.
5. Center heart along seam line on front of background square and fuse. Sew around heart with a blanket stitch. Make 30.

Sashing & border

1. Cut 12 – 2" strips sashing fabric. From these, cut 71 – 2" x 6 1/2" sashing strips.
2. Cut 2 – 2" strips border fabric. From these cut 42 – 2" squares border fabric.
3. Arrange hearts in rows with five heart blocks across and 6 blocks down. Sew a vertical sashing strip between each block of first horizontal row and one at the beginning and the end. Complete all six rows like this.
4. Make horizontal sashing rows by sewing five strips between seven 2" squares. Make 7 rows of horizontal sashing. Place sashing row over block row, right sides together. Pin at all seam lines and sew. Press seams toward blocks. Continue sewing all block rows and horizontal sashing rows together. Press.
5. Cut 5 – 3" strips for borders. Measure width of quilt and cut top and bottom borders to your measurement. Pin and sew. Press. Measure length of quilt and cut side borders to that measurement. Pin, sew and press.
6. Cut 5 – 2 1/4" strips for binding. Sew short ends together. Press in half lengthwise. Sew to top of quilt with a 1/4" seam allowance. Turn to back. Blind stitch in place.

