

Milestone Quilt

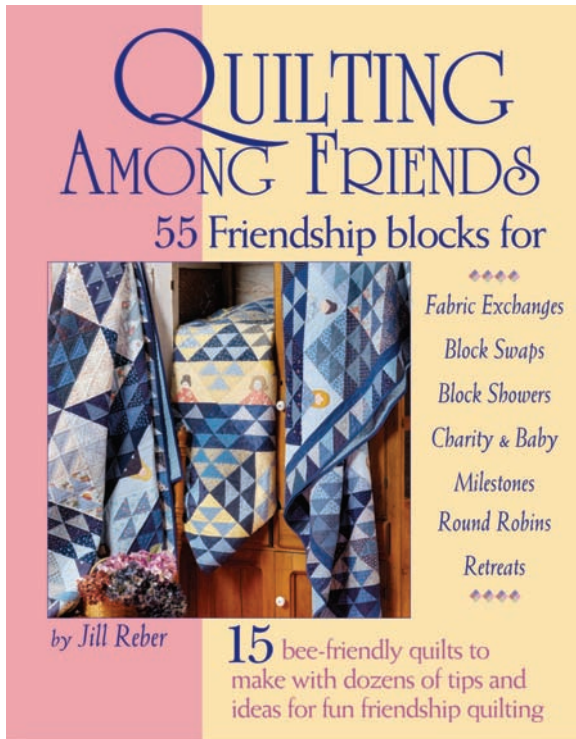
Rings of Love



"Weddings and anniversaries are best remembered and commemorated in fabric! The rings of this traditional block represent the never-ending love of a newly-married or long-time-married couple. It's truly an heirloom in the making."

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A MILESTONE QUILT FROM THE BOOK QUILTING AMONG FRIENDS BY JILL REBER

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You can almost hear romance ringing aloud in this lovely pieced quilt bordered by a delicate floral print. Let emotions sing through the work of your hands.

Materials

Finished size is approximately 64" x 76"
Yardage is based on 100 percent cotton fabric that is at least 42" wide.

10 fat quarters of assorted red, yellow, blue, green, and pink solids or small prints for blocks

2-3/4 yards of white solid for blocks and inner border

2 yards of floral print for outer border and binding

Batting to fit the finished quilt top

4 yards of backing, seamed to fit

Cutting Instructions

A 1/4" seam allowance is included in these measurements.

From each fat quarter, cut:

8 squares 3-3/8" x 3-3/8"

8 rectangles 2-1/2" x 4-1/2"

From the white solid, cut:

12 strips 2-7/8" x 42"; from these strips cut

160 squares 2-7/8" x 2-7/8"; cut squares in half diagonally to make 320 half-square triangles

8 strips 4-1/2" x 42"; from these strips cut

80 rectangles 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" and

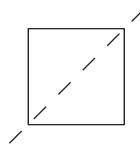
20 squares 4-1/2" x 4-1/2"

6 strips 2-1/2" x 42" for inner border

From the floral print, cut:

7 strips 6-1/2" x 42" for outer border

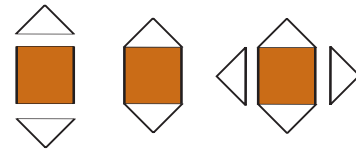
8 strips 2-1/2" x 42" for binding



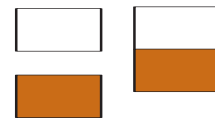
Assembling the Quilt

Piecing the Blocks

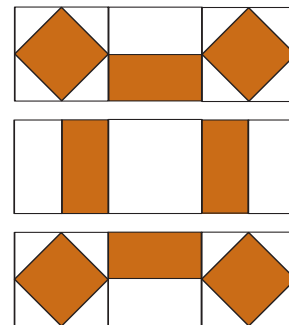
1. Sew 2 white half-square triangles to opposite sides of a colored square. Press seams toward the square. Sew half-square triangles to the remaining edges of the colored square to make a square-in-a-square unit. Press seams toward the square. Make a set of 4.



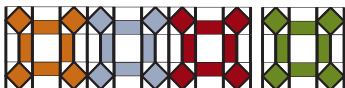
2. Sew a colored 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle to a white 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle. Press seam toward the colored rectangle. Make a set of 4.



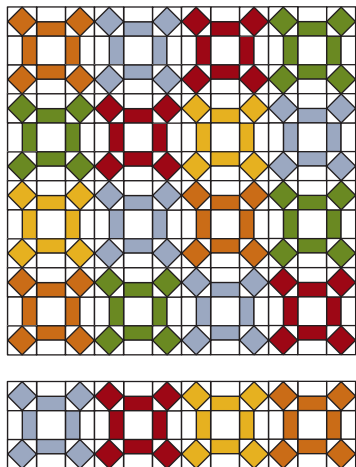
3. Arrange the 4 square-in-a-square units, the 4 rectangle units, and a white square as shown. Sew the units into rows, and sew the rows together to complete a block. Make 4 blocks in each of 5 different colors for a total of 20 blocks.



4. Arrange the blocks in 5 rows of 4 blocks each.

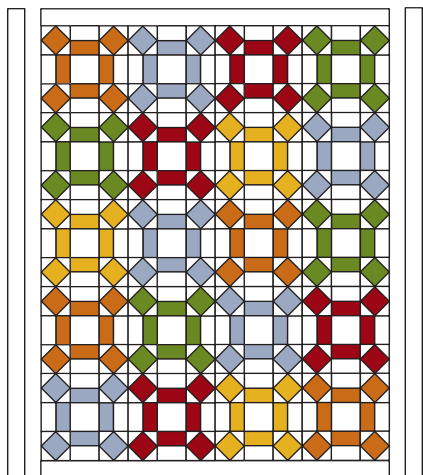


5. Sew the 4 blocks into a row, and sew the 5 rows together to assemble the quilt center.



Adding the Inner Border

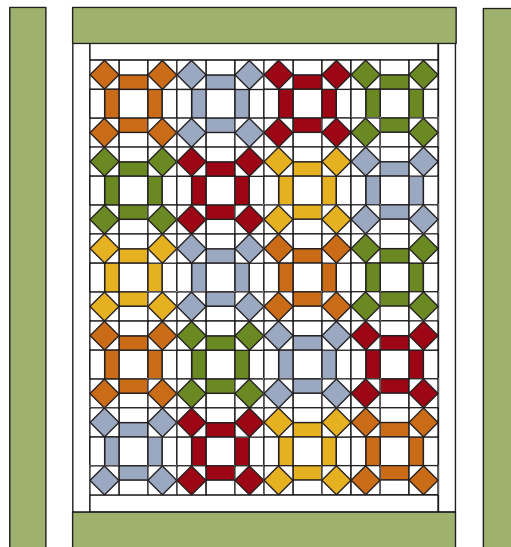
1. Cut one 2-1/2" x 42" white strip in half, and sew each half to a full-length strip. Trim them to 48-1/2", and sew them to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press seams toward the border.



2. Cut another 2-1/2" x 42" white strip in half, and sew each half to a full-length strip. Trim them to 64-1/2", and sew them to the sides of the quilt center.

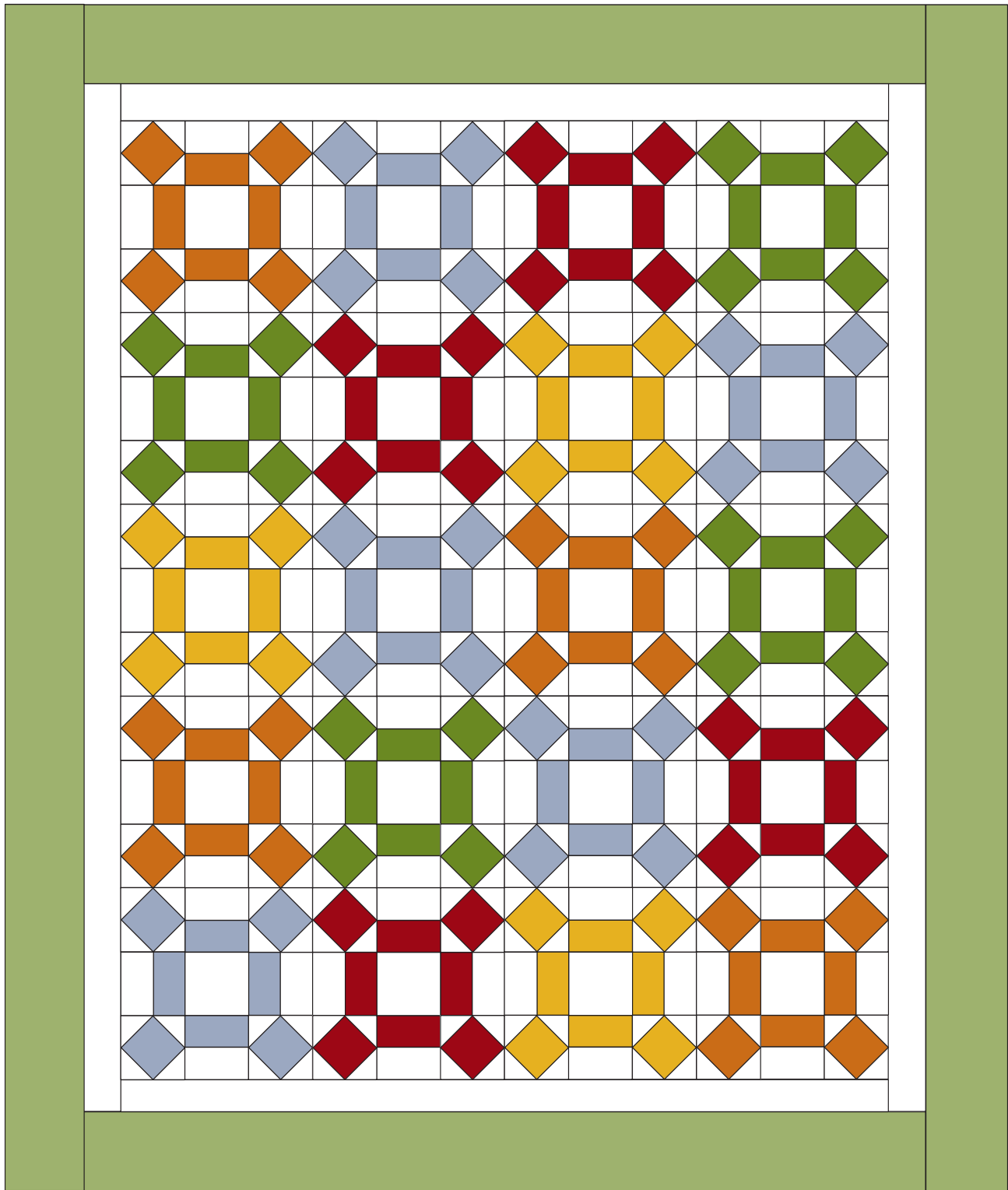
Adding the Outer Border

1. Cut one floral print 6-1/2" x 42" strip in half, and sew each half to a full-length strip. Trim them to 52-1/2", and sew them to the top and bottom of the quilt center. Press seams toward the border.
2. Sew 2 floral print 6-1/2" x 42" strips together, and trim to 76-1/2". Make 2, and sew them to the sides of the quilt center. Press the seams toward the border.



Finishing the Quilt

1. Layer the backing fabric, the batting, and the quilt top.
2. Baste the layers together. Hand- or machine-quilt as desired.
3. Bind the quilt with the 2-1/2"-wide floral print strips (see General Instructions).



Rings of Love Finished Quilt Assembly