

Summer Dance

Requirements:

Pale Blue	2½ yards
Yellow	¾ yard
Royal Blue	¾ yard
Turquoise Blue	½ yard
Fairfield Bamboo Batting	Art Quilt/Generous Crib

Cutting:

Cut strips across the fabric width or crosswise grain. Quantities are shown for each block.

Flying X Block

Pale Blue	8	3" squares
	4	3⅜" squares
Yellow	4	3⅜" squares



Pinwheel Block

Pale Blue	4	3" squares
	6	3⅜" squares
Royal Blue	3	3⅜" squares
Turquoise Blue	3	3⅜" squares



Borders

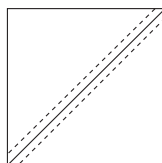
Yellow	6	1½" x 42" strips
	4	2" squares
Pale Blue	6	2½" x 42" strips
Royal	6	1½" x 42" strips

Sewing Directions

- You will need 10 of each block.
- Align the seam edges of the pieces to be sewn together with right sides facing each other on the inside.
- All seams are ¼" unless stated otherwise.
- Press seams to one side.

Flying X Block

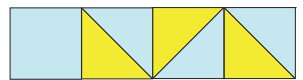
- Draw a line from corner to corner on the back of a pale blue 3⅜" square.
- Align the pale blue square on top of a yellow 3⅜" square with right sides together.
- Sew a seam ¼" from the drawn line, using the line as your guide. Repeat on the opposite side of the line.
- Cut down the center line and press open. You will have 2 half-square triangles as a result. Repeat for a total of 8 pale blue/yellow half-square triangles.



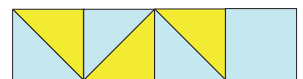
- Sew a pale blue 3" square to the left side of a pale blue/yellow half-square triangle and 2 squares to the right side as shown.



- To create the second row of the block, stitch together a pale blue 3" square and 3 half-square triangles as shown.



- Block row 3 requires a pale blue square and 3 half-square triangles, as shown.



- Sew a pale blue 3" square to the right side of a pale blue/yellow half-square triangle and 2 squares to the left side as shown.

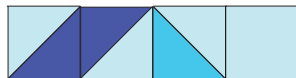
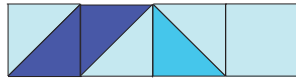
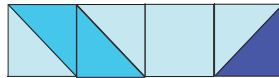


- Sew strips together in order to create the block.



Pinwheel Block

- Create 6 pale blue/royal blue half-square triangles and 6 pale blue/turquoise blue half-square triangles as described above.
- Block row 1 requires 2 pale blue/turquoise half-square triangles, 1 pale blue/royal blue half-square triangle and 1 pale blue 3" square, as shown.
- Sew together a pale blue 3" square, pale blue/turquoise half-square triangle and 2 pale blue/royal blue half-square triangles, as shown.
- Row 3 requires the same pieces as row 2. Sew together in the order shown.
- Construct the last block row in the same manner as the first row as shown.
- Sew rows together in order to create the block.



Row Construction

- There are 5 rows of 4 blocks. Alternate the blocks to create each row.

Border 1

- Measure the length of the quilt down the center.
- For each side of the quilt, sew together 2 yellow border strips, trim to fit your measurement and sew to the sides of your quilt.
- Measure the width of your quilt across the center.
- For the top and bottom of the quilt, sew together 2 yellow border strips, trim to fit your measurement and sew to the sides of your quilt.

Border 2

- Measure the length of the quilt down the center.
- For each side of the quilt, sew together 2 pale blue border strips, trim to fit your measurement and sew to the sides of your quilt.
- For the top and bottom of the quilt, sew together 2 pale blue border strips, trim to fit the border 1 measurement.

- Add a yellow cornerstone to each end of the border strip.
- Sew to the top and bottom of your quilt.

Border 3

- Measure the length of the quilt down the center.
- For each side of the quilt, sew together 2 royal blue border strips, trim to fit your measurement and sew to the sides of your quilt.
- Measure the width of your quilt across the center.
- For the top and bottom of the quilt, sew together 2 royal blue border strips, trim to fit your measurement and sew to the sides of your quilt.

Preparing the Quilt Sandwich:

- Cut and piece the backing fabric to be at least 4" larger than your quilt top on each side. Press all seam allowances open.
- A print backing fabric will hide more imperfections in your quilting.
- To create the sandwich, spread out the backing on a large flat surface or the floor (not on carpet). You can tape the backing to the floor if it helps keep it smooth.
- Layer the batting next, smoothing out any wrinkles.
- Center your quilt top as the top layer, leaving 4" of backing and batting on each side. Smooth out wrinkles.
- Use 1½" safety pins to baste your sandwich and keep it stable while you are quilting. Do not be stingy with the safety pins or the layers may shift while you are quilting. Filling the whole pin with the quilt sandwich will also help prevent slipping.
- Quilt as desired.
- Trim the extra backing and batting to the size of the quilt top.



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