Amish Bars, Toddler ~ Child

This kit includes strips of assorted fabric for the center of the quilt, 4 narrow strips of fabric for the inner border and 4 wider strips of a fabric for the outer border.

Outside border $-\frac{3}{4}$ yard x 42" wide, cut into four $-6\frac{1}{2}$ " x 42" strips

Inner border – 1/4 yard x 42" wide, cut into four – 2" x 42" strips

<u>Center</u> – scraps of fabric at least 22" wide [or long]. Cut strips of varying widths [2 ½" to 5"] the same length [22" to 36"] and sew together. Width should measure about 18" to 24".

Backing – 1 to 1 ½ yd. of backing fabric [36" – 54"], depending on finished top size

Batting – 40" to 42" wide x 40" to 54" long.

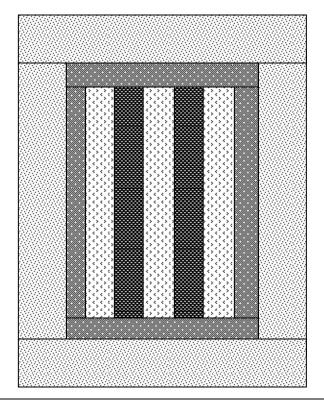
Using a ¼ inch seam for construction, sew center strips together. Press seams to one side. Trim ends of strips even. [Suggestion: Lay the strips out before sewing to get a pleasing arrangement.] Sew the inner border strips to the longer sides of the quilt center first, press and trim. Next, sew the top and bottom inner borders, press and trim. Sew the wide border strips to the quilt in the same fashion.

This blanket can be finished using the traditional method, which uses a binding, or the 'envelope' method, which uses no binding. Quilt or tie at least every 3 ½ to 4 inches. Quilting in the ditch looks nice and reinforces the blanket. Quilting ½" around the outside edges gives a more finished look when using the 'envelope' method.

Finished size of this quilt should be at least 36" to 40" wide and at least 44" to 52" long.

Note: Center bars can be 5 different colors, or any other combination you care to use [such as 3 of one color and 2 of another, etc.]

<u>Tip</u>: Consistent sizes require sewing using 1/4" seams.



^{*} Fabric requirements and cutting instructions are included for those wishing to make this pattern at home.