## Denim Rag Quilt, Teen

This kit includes  $80 - 6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of denim and  $80 - 6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of backing fabric. Denim and backing fabric are sewn together in one step. No batting is required.

The seams are sewn to show on the denim side of the quilt.

\*Fabric requirements: Denim scraps to equal about 2 \( \frac{1}{2} \) yards of 42" fabric

or 2 yards of 54" fabric.

Scraps of cotton or flannel fabric to equal about 2 % yards of

42" fabric for backing squares.

\*Cutting instructions: Cut denim into 6½" wide strips. Cut strips into 6½" squares.

Repeat with backing fabric.

**NOTE**: This quilt is sewn using a ½" **reinforced or stretch seam throughout**. [If your machine does not have these stitches, use a very small stitch length.]

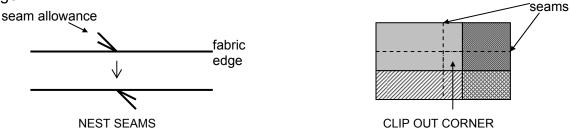
Layer a denim square on top of a backing square **wrong sides together**. This will be a <u>basic unit</u>. Repeat with the rest of the denim and backing fabric squares. The quilt is made up of these 80 basic units.

denim [right side]
backing fabric [wrong side]

BASIC UNIT

Sew two units together with the backing fabric sides facing. Add additional units to first two units, always having backing fabric sides facing each other, until you have a row that is 8 units across.

Repeat with other units so that you have 10 rows made up of 8 squares each. Sew two rows with backing fabric sides together, nesting the seams, as shown. You now have a quilt that is 8 by 10 squares. Stitch around the quilt with a reinforced seam  $\frac{1}{2}$  from the edge.



On the denim side of the quilt you will have lengthwise seams crossed by horizontal seams. Where the seams cross, there will be a small square of fabric. Carefully cut these squares out very close to the stitching, freeing the seams.

Clip the edge of the quilt and each of the seams about every  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " so that the fabrics will ravel.

Shake any loose thread from the finished quilt, then machine wash and dry so that the edges and seams fray. Repeat washing, if necessary. [Warning: Clean the lint traps of the washer and dryer frequently.]

Finished quilt is approximately 48" x 60".

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