

Scrappy Center Quilt, Older Child

This kit includes 40 squares of assorted fabric for the center of the quilt, 4 narrow strips for the inner border and 4 wide strips of a theme print fabric for the outer border.

*Fabric requirements: Outer border – $1\frac{1}{8}$ yards of theme print fabric
 Inner border – $\frac{1}{3}$ yard
 Center blocks – scraps at least $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square, about 1 yd. total

*Cutting instructions: Cut four – $9\frac{1}{2}$ " wide strips of theme fabric
 Cut four – $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide strips of inner border fabric
 Cut forty – $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares from scrap fabric.

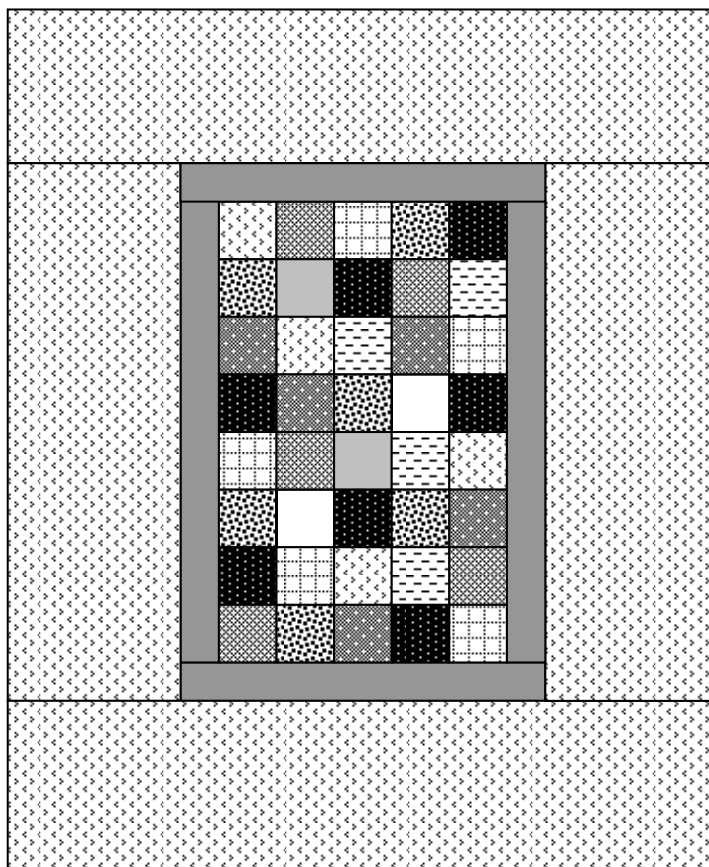
Backing – $44" \times 56"$
 Batting – $44" \times 56"$

Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam throughout construction, sew the $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares together in rows of five across for the center of the quilt. You will have eight rows. [Suggestion: Lay the squares out before sewing to get a pleasing arrangement.]

Sew the eight rows together forming the scrappy square center as shown.

Sew the narrow inner border strips to the center, starting on the longer sides of the rectangle, trim and press. Next, add borders to the top and bottom, trim and press. Sew the wide outer 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 $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 inches. Quilting in the ditch looks nice and reinforces the blanket. Quilting $\frac{1}{2}$ " around the outside edges gives a more finished look when using the 'envelope' method.



Finished size is approximately $42" \times 54"$

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

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