



# BLUE STACKS

66" x 66"



Designed, Pieced and Quilted by  
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Harvest Moon Quilting

## MATERIALS:

1-1/8 yards Counties Blue

1 yard Roadmap White

5/8 yard Blender Bluebird

5/8 yard Blender Royal Blue

2 yards Blender Nautical Blue

2/3 yard Blender Bluebird, Binding

4 yards Blender Bluebird, Backing

*BEFORE SEWING, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS. ALL SEAMS ARE 1/4" UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS ARE BASED ON 40" WOF. WOF = WIDTH OF FABRIC; RST = RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER; HST = HALF SQUARE TRIANGLE; FG = FLYING GEESE*

## CUTTING:

### From Counties Blue Fabric:

Cut [5] — 6-1/2" × WOF strips **(A)**

Cut [2] — 2-1/2" × WOF strips

Subcut [3] — 2-1/2" × 18-1/2" rectangles **(AA)**

### From Roadmap White Fabric:

Cut [5] — 6-1/2" × WOF strips **(B)**

### From Blender Royal Blue Fabric:

Cut [3] — 2-1/2" × WOF strips **(C)**

Cut [2] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips **(D)**

### From Blender Bluebird Fabric:

Cut [2] — 2-1/2" × WOF strips **(E)**

Cut [3] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips **(F)**

Cut [8] — 2-1/2" × WOF strips, binding

Cut [2] — 72" × WOF strips, backing

### From Blender Nautical Blue Fabric:

Cut [12] — 2-1/2" × WOF strips

Leave [3] — uncut, vertical sashing

Subcut [18] — 2-1/2" × 18-1/2" rectangles, sashing

Cut [8] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips, border

## BLOCK ASSEMBLY:

### Strip Set:

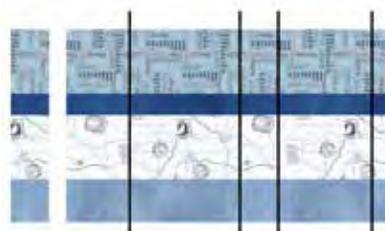
Gather Counties Blue **(A)**, Blender Bluebird **(E)**, Roadmap White **(B)** and Blender Royal Blue **(D)** strips

1. Sew strips together in order shown below. Press all seams in [1] direction. Make [2] strip sets.
2. Subcut:
  - [3] — 10-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(EE)**
  - [3] — 6-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(FF)**
  - [3] — 2-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(GG)**



Gather Counties Blue **(A)**, Blender Royal Blue **(C)**, Roadmap White **(B)** and Blender Bluebird **(F)** strips

1. Sew strips together in order shown below. Press all seams in [1] direction. Make [3] strip sets.
2. Subcut:
  - [3] — 14-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(BB)**
  - [3] — 8-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(CC)**
  - [3] — 4-1/2" × 18-1/2" units **(DD)**



## QUILT TOP ASSEMBLY:

For all units, press toward Blender Nautical Blue Fabric

1. Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of Counties Blue rectangle **(AA)**. Make [2]. [1] **(AA)** will remain unsewn.



- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(BB)**. [2] **(BB)** units will remain unsewn.



- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(CC)**. Repeat for the [2] remaining **(CC)** units.



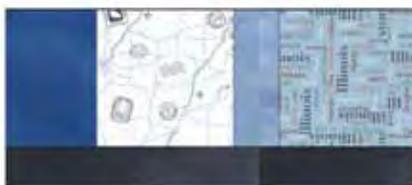
- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(DD)**. Repeat for the [2] remaining **(DD)** units.



- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(EE)**. Repeat for the [2] remaining **(EE)** units.



- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(FF)**. Repeat for the [2] remaining **(FF)** units.



- Sew [1] Blender Nautical Blue sashing to the bottom of unit **(GG)**. Repeat for the [2] remaining **(GG)** units.



- Follow Figure 1A to sew these units together into [2] identical Left and Right Columns. Press all seams toward the Blender Nautical Blue Fabric. Label [1] [Right], label the [1] [Left].

- Follow Figure 1B to sew these units together into [1] Center Column. Press all seams toward the Blender Nautical Blue Fabric. Label [Center].

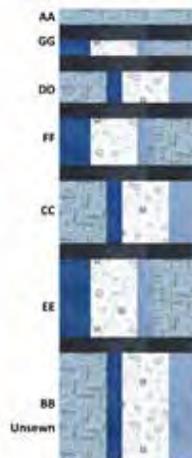


Figure 1A

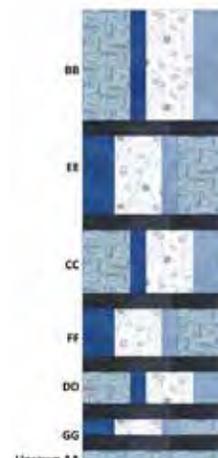
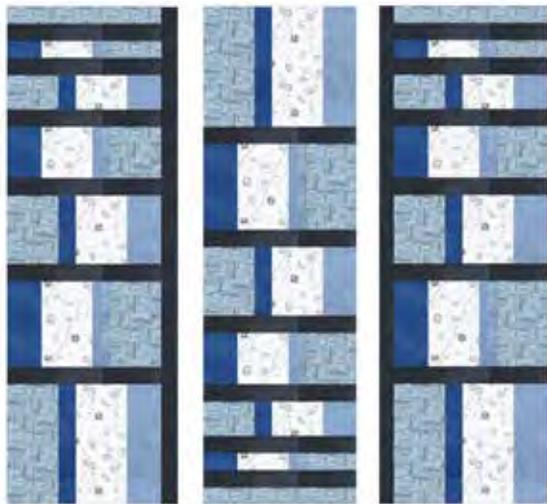


Figure 1B

### Vertical Sashing:

- Blender Nautical Blue Vertical Sashing: Sew all strips RST, short end to short end, to make [1] long strip. Press all seams to [1] side.
- Measure the length of the [Right], [Center] and [Left] Columns. Measure down the middle of each column. If the measurements are not the same, you can adjust by trimming the edge of the **(BB)** unit on any column.
- Fold the Vertical Sashing strip in half and mark center with a pin. Fold the [Right] column in half to find the center, mark with a pin. Also, mark the center of the [Left] column. With the [Right] column facing up, lay the border fabric face down on the left edge of the [Right] column, match up the two center marks and secure with a couple of pins. Now match up the ends of the Vertical Sashing with the corners of the column, secure with a couple of pins. Pin the Vertical Sashing evenly across the column.
- Sew seam. Press toward the Sashing fabric.
- Repeat to sew the Vertical Sashing to the Right side of the [Left] column.

6. Assemble Quilt as shown in the diagram:

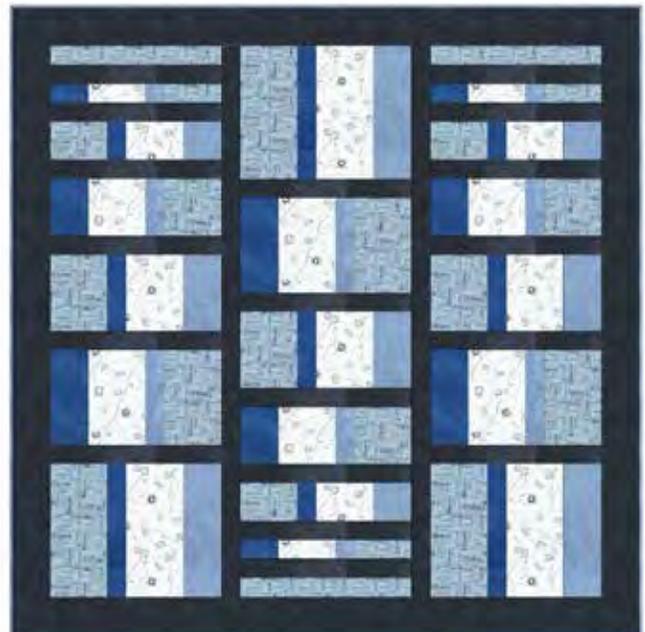


### **BORDER ASSEMBLY:**

1. Blender Nautical Blue Fabric: Sew all strips RST, short end to short end, to make [1] long strip. Press all seams to one side.
2. Work with the side borders first. Measure from the top of the quilt to the bottom. Take [3] measurements. Measure a couple of inches in from each side and down the middle.
3. If your longest measurement is greater than 1/2" from your shortest measurement, then it is better to see if you can adjust a seam or two to help get the measurements closer. Once you are happy with your measurements. Find the average of the measurements and use that number to cut [2] border strips that length.
4. Fold the border strip in half and mark center with a pin. Fold the quilt in half to find the center of the two sides, mark with a pin. With the quilt facing up, lay the border fabric face down, match up the two center marks and secure with a couple of pins. Now match up the end of the borders with the corner of the quilt, secure with a couple of pins. Pin the border evenly across the quilt.
5. Stitch each side border to the quilt. Press toward the border fabric.
6. Repeat the measuring, pinning, and sewing steps for the top and bottom borders.

### **FINISHING:**

1. Layer the quilt top with batting and backing.
2. Quilt as desired.
3. Use your favorite binding method to prepare your binding strips.
4. Label & Enjoy!



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Wendy has been sewing, quilting, and crafting all her life, remembering tying quilts with both her grandmothers as a child. Quilting remains her favorite craft to this day, especially the math involved in designing. A lifelong South Dakota resident, Wendy is a wife, a mother to two daughters, works as a nurse, runs a Long Arm Quilting business, and raises a large flock of sheep. In her spare time, she enjoys card making and paper crafting with her mother.