Daisies, Dogs and Ducks

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Finished Size: 37" x 47"

RED ROOSTER FABRICS

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FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

Pattern #13866 MUL1	2⅝ yards (includes 1½ yards for backing)
Pattern #13870 GRE1	⅔ yard
Pattern #13870 RED1	½ yard
Pattern #13870 YEL1	⅔ yard
Pattern #13870 BLU1	½ yard
Pattern #13871 BLU1	¼ yard
Pattern #13871 RED1	¼ yard
Pattern #13872 GRE1	⅛ yard
Pattern #13872 YEL1	⅛ yard
Batting:	44" x 54"

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

A. Pattern #13866 MUL1:

1. Reserve 1½ yards for backing.
2. From remaining fabric, fussy-cut twelve 6½" squares.

B. Pattern #13870 GRE1:

1. Cut five 2½" x 42" strips. Make twelve 8½" crosscuts from three strips. Label #1. Reserve the two remaining 2½" strips for the left side border.
2. Cut one 3½" x 42" strip. Crosscut into twelve 3½" squares. Reserve for Prairie Points.

C. Pattern #13870 RED1:

1. Cut four 2½" x 42" strips. Make twelve 8½" crosscuts from three strips. Label #2. Reserve the remaining 2½" strip for the bottom border.
2. Cut one 3½" x 42" strip. Crosscut into twelve 3½" squares. Reserve for Prairie Points.

D. Pattern #13870 YEL1:

1. Cut five 2½" x 42" strips. Make twelve 8½" crosscuts from three strips. Label #3. Reserve the two remaining 2½" strips for the right side border.
2. Cut one 3½" x 42" strip. Crosscut into twelve 3½" squares. Reserve for Prairie Points.

E. Pattern #13870 BLU1:

1. Cut four 2½" x 42" strips. Make twelve 8½" crosscuts from three strips. Label #4. Reserve the remaining 2½" strip for the top border.
2. Cut one 3½" x 42" strip. Crosscut into twelve 3½" squares. Reserve for Prairie Points.

F. Pattern #13871 BLU1 & RED1:

1. Cut one 2½" x 42" strip of each color. Crosscut each strip into twelve 2½" squares for connectors.
2. Cut one 3½" x 42" strip from each color. Crosscut each strip into twelve 3½" squares. Reserve for Prairie Points.

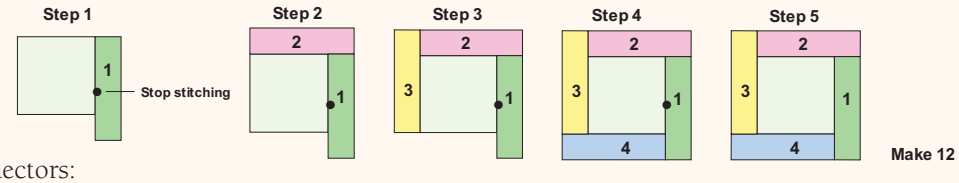
G. Pattern #13872 GRE1 & YEL1:

1. Cut one 2½" x 42" strip of each color. Crosscut each strip into twelve 2½" squares for connectors.

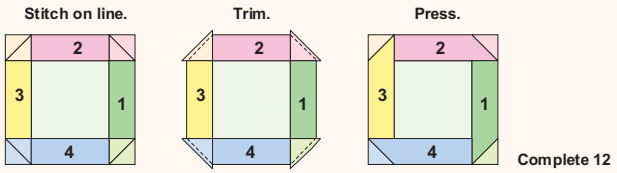
PIECING:

A. Block A: Make 12. Finished size of each block: 10" square

1. Adding strips: Position all 6½" squares in the same direction when adding strips.
   - Step 1: With a partial seam, sew a #1 strip to the right side of each of the 6½" scenic squares. To sew a partial seam, line up the top of the strip evenly with the top of the square as shown. Stitch ⅔ of the way down the block and back tack. Press toward the strip.
   - Step 2: Stitch a #2 strip to the top of each block as shown. Press toward strip.
   - Step 3: Stitch a #3 strip to the left side of each block. Press toward strip.
   - Step 4: Stitch a #4 strip to the bottom of each block. Press toward strip.
   - Step 5: Stitch the remainder of seam #1 to complete the block. Press.



2. Adding connectors:
    a. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each of the forty-eight 2½" connector squares.
    b. Following the diagram below, position the 2½" squares on the corners of each block, right sides together and matching colors (yellow to yellow, green to green, etc.). Notice direction of diagonal lines in the diagram.



    c. Stitch on the drawn line. Trim ¼" away from the stitching line. Press toward the triangle.
    d. Complete all 12 blocks.

ASSEMBLY:

A. Assembling rows:

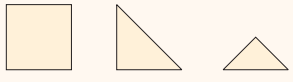
1. Arrange blocks into four rows of three blocks each.
2. Sew each row of blocks together, pressing seams in opposite directions from row to row.
3. Join rows together, matching seams. Press seams in one direction.

B. Adding border strips: The border strips will be added the same way the strips were added to each block. Add them in the following order:

1. Yellow border strip:
    a. Trim the length of one of the reserved yellow border strips to 42½" long. If the strip is too short, sew the two reserved yellow strips together, end to end. Press the seam open. Trim the length of the strip to 42½".
    b. Pin the yellow strip to the right side of the quilt.
    c. Stitch a partial seam from the top of the quilt to three quarters of the way down and back tack. Press toward the strip.
2. Blue border strip:
    a. Trim the length of the reserved blue border strip to measure 32½".
    b. Stitch the blue strip to the top of the quilt. Press toward the strip.
3. Green border strip:
    a. Trim the length of one of the reserved green border strips to 42½" long. If the strip is too short, sew the two reserved green strips together, end to end. Press the seam open. Trim the length of the strip to 42½".
    b. Sew the green strip to the left side of the quilt. Press toward the strip.
4. Red border strip:
    a. Trim the length of the reserved red border strip to measure 32½".
    b. Sew the red strip to the bottom of the quilt. Press toward the strip.
5. Complete the seam of the yellow border strip. Press.

PRAIRIE POINTS: (Make 68)

A. Making the Prairie Points:



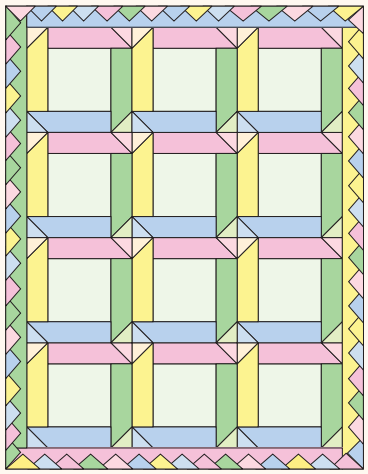
1. Fold each of the reserved 3½" squares in half once on the diagonal, wrong sides together to make a triangle. Press. Fold each triangle in half again to complete the Prairie Points. Press. Make a total of sixty-eight Prairie Points.

B. Applying the Prairie Points:

1. Lay the quilt top flat on a table and arrange the Prairie Points around the edges of the quilt as shown

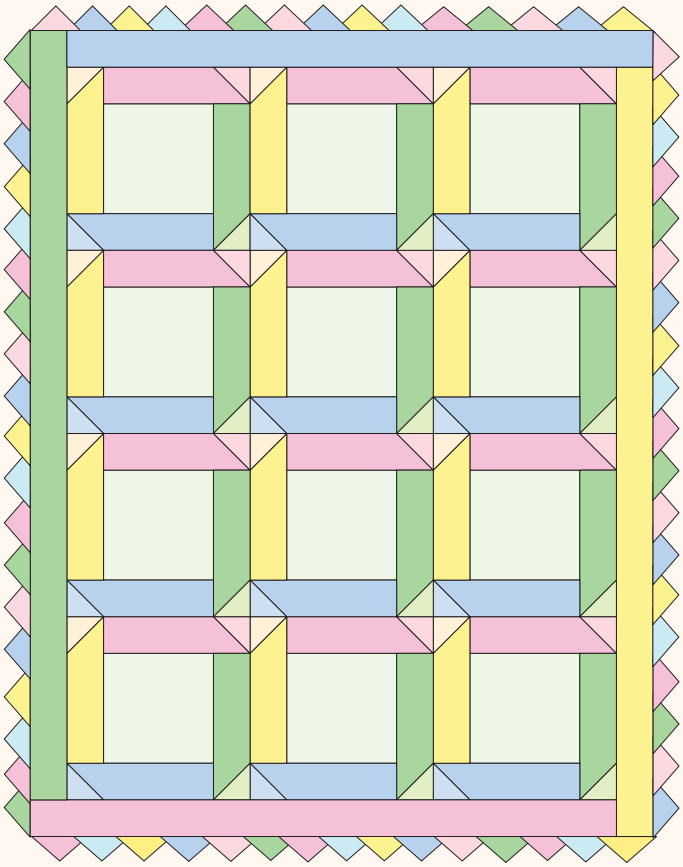
(raw edges of the Prairie Points and raw edges of the quilt top even; points facing the center of the quilt). Place 19 Prairie Points on each long side of the quilt, 15 along the top and 15 along the bottom. Arrange so that all openings of the Prairie Points face the same direction and tuck each Prairie Point into the opening of the next, slightly, keeping all spaced evenly. The Prairie Points on the corners do not overlap. Baste or glue-baste in place.

FINISHING:



A. Layering and quilting:

1. Position quilt backing, right side up, on top of batting.
2. Center quilt top, wrong side up, over the quilt backing (the quilt top and backing will be right sides together).
3. Pin or baste layers together along the raw edge of the quilt top to avoid shifting when stitching.
4. Sew a 1/4" seam around the edges of the quilt top, leaving a 12" opening to turn the quilt right side out when you are finished. Trim the edges of the batting and backing even with the edge of the quilt top.
5. Turn the quilt right side out. Press the edges of the quilt flat and straight. Stitch the opening closed.
6. Pin or baste layers together and quilt as desired.



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