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PROJECT: Chasing Rainbows

Stitch a color wheel design in four simple blocks. The black print chain running through the blocks and a low-volume background help the colors stand out.

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FABRICS are from the Foundation collection by Shayla Wolf for Windham Fabrics (windhamfabrics.com).



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FINISHED QUILT: 38" square FINISHED BLOCK: 16½" square

MATERIALS

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

- □ 5/8 yard black print (sashing, binding)
- □ 13—9×21" pieces (fat eighths) assorted prints in rainbow colors: red, dark orange, light orange, yellow, olive green, light green, dark green, teal, light blue, dark blue, purple, magenta, and pink (blocks, sashing)
- □ 11/8 yard total assorted white and gray prints (blocks, sashing)
- □ 25/8 yards backing fabric
- ☐ 46" square piece of batting

CUT FABRICS

Cut pieces in the following order.

From black print, cut:

- \Box 4-2½×42" binding strips
- \square 84–2" squares
- □ 9–2" sashing squares

From red print, cut

- □ 1–2×17" sashing strip
- □ 1-2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip

From dark orange print, cut

- \Box 1–2×8" strip
- \Box 1-2×5" strip
- □ 4-2" squares

From light orange print, cut

- \Box 1-2×11" strip
- \Box 1–2×8" strip
- \Box 1-2×5" strip

From yellow print, cut

- \Box 1–2×17" sashing strip
- \square 2–2×14" strips

From olive green print, cut

- \Box 1–2×11" strip
- \Box 1–2×8" strip
- \Box 1–2×5" strip

From light green print, cut

- \Box 1-2×8" strip
- \Box 1-2×5" strip
- □ 4-2" squares

From dark green print, cut

- \Box 1-2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip

From teal print, cut

- \Box 1–2×17" sashing strip
- \Box 1–2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip

From light blue print, cut

- \Box 1–2×8" strip
- \Box 2-2×5" strips
- \Box 4–2" squares

From dark blue print, cut

- \Box 1-2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip
- \Box 1-2×8" strip

From purple print, cut

- □ 1–2×17" sashing strip
- □ 1-2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip

From magenta print, cut

- □ 1-2×8" strip
- \square 2-2×5" strips
- \Box 4-2" squares

From pink print, cut

- \Box 1-2×14" strip
- \Box 1-2×11" strip
- □ 1-2×8" strip

From assorted white and gray prints,

- \square 8–2×17" sashing strips
- \square 8-2×14" strips
- \square 8-2×11" strips
- \square 8-2×8" strips
- \square 8–2×5" strips

ASSEMBLE BLOCKS

Measurements include 1/4" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Press seams in directions indicated by arrows on diagrams. If no direction is specified, press seam toward darker fabric.

- **1.** Referring to **Diagram 1**, lay out five black print 2" squares and magenta print 2" squares in three rows. Sew together pieces in rows. Join rows to make a Nine-Patch unit. The unit should be 5" square including seam allowances.
- **2.** Lay out four black print 2" squares, two assorted white or gray 2×5" strips, magenta print 2×5" strips, and Nine-Patch unit in three rows (**Diagram 2**). Sew together pieces in rows; join rows to make first round.
- **3.** Referring to **Diagram 3** for strip colors and measurements, repeat Step 2 to add second, third, and fourth rounds to make a block. The block should be 17" square including seam allowances.
- **4.** Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram** and the photo on *page 1* for color placement, repeat steps 1-3 to make four blocks total.

ASSEMBLE QUILT TOP

- **1.** Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, lay out blocks, black print 2" sashing squares, and red, yellow, teal, purple, white, and gray print 2×17" sashing strips in five rows. Sew together pieces in rows. Press seams toward sashing strips.
- **2.** Join rows to complete quilt top; press seams away from block rows. The quilt top should be 38" square including seam allowances.

FINISH QUILT

- **1.** Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste.
- **2.** Quilt as desired. Handi Quilter studio educator Vicki Hoth machine-quilted the blocks with straight lines in an echo pattern (Quilting Diagram).
- **3.** Bind with black print binding strips.





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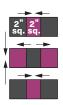


Diagram 1

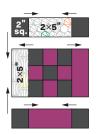


Diagram 2

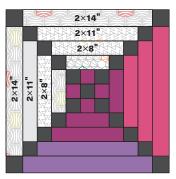
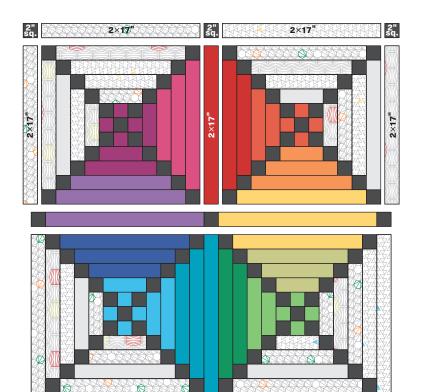
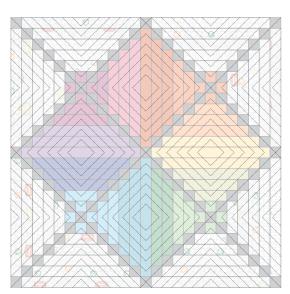


Diagram 3



Quilt Assembly Diagram



Quilting Diagram