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Project: Multicolor Plaid Wall Hanging

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Dark prints separated by striped sashing take on the look of plaid in this sophisticated wall hanging. Piping adds extra dimension.

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Materials

- 3/8 yard gold print (blocks, sashing)
- 5/s yard total assorted medium and dark prints (blocks)
- 1/3 yard brown stripe (sashing, binding)
- 5/a yard brown print (piping, binding)
- 1 yard black print (border)
- 2¹/₂ yards backing fabric
- 43" square batting

Finished quilt: 34¹/₂" square Finished block: 6" square

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

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the following order.

From gold print, cut:

- 16-1¹/₂" sashing squares
 72-1¹/₄" squares
- From assorted medium and dark
- prints, cut four sets of: 4-3¹/2" squares
- From assorted medium and dark prints, cut eight sets of:
- 2—3½" squares
- From scraps of assorted medium and dark prints, cut:
- 4—31/2" squares
- From brown stripe, cut
- 24—1½×6½" sashing rectangles
- From brown print, cut:
- 4—2**1⁄2**×42" binding strips
- 4—1¼×22½" piping strips
 From black print, cut:
- 2—6½×34½ border strips
- 2—6½×22½" border strips

Assemble Blocks

- Use a pencil to mark a diagonal line on wrong side of each gold print 1¼" square.
- 2. Align a marked gold print square with upper left-hand corner of a medium or dark print 31/2" square (Quarter Block Diagram; note direction of marked line). Sew on marked line. Trim excess fabric, leaving 1/4" seam allowance. Press attached triangle open. Align a second marked gold print square with bottom right-hand corner of same square; sew, trim, and press as before to make a quarter block unit. The unit should be $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 36 quarter block units total.
- Referring to Quilt Assembly Diagram, sew together four different color quarter block units in pairs. Press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make a block. Press seam in one direction. The block should be 6¹/₂" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make nine blocks total.

Assemble Quilt Center

- Referring to Quilt Assembly Diagram, lay out blocks, brown stripe sashing rectangles, and gold print sashing squares in seven horizontal rows.
- Sew together pieces in each row. Press seams toward sashing rectangles. Join rows to make quilt center. Press seams away from block rows. The quilt center should be 22¹/₂" including seam allowances.

Add Piping and Border

- With wrong side inside, press each 1¼×22½" piping strip in half lengthwise. Aligning raw edges and using a scant ¼" seam allowance, baste a folded piping strip to each quilt center edge. Do not press piping strips open.
- Sew black print 6¹/₂×22¹/₂" border strips to opposite edges of quilt center with piping between layers. Press seams toward border, making sure piping still faces quilt center. In same manner, add black print 6¹/₂×34¹/₂" border strips to remaining edges to complete quilt top.

Finish Quilt

- **1.** Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste. Quilt as desired.
- 2. Bind with brown print binding strips.

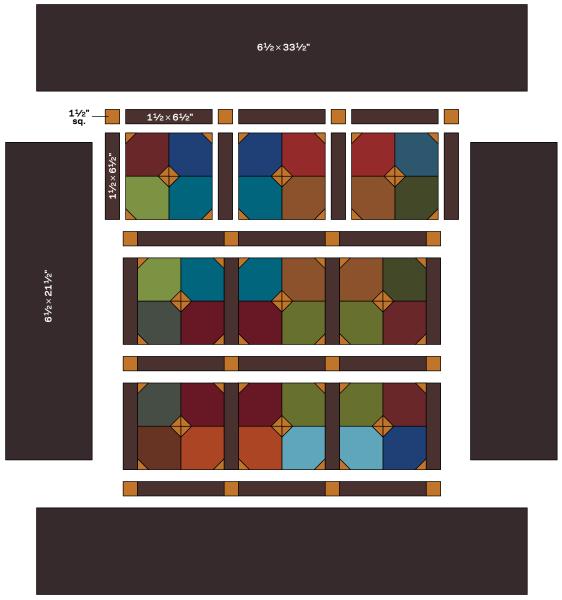
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QUARTER BLOCK DIAGRAM



QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM