

Project: Retro Zigzags

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FABRICS are from the Veranda collection by Verna Mosquera for FreeSpirit (freespiritfabric.com).



For a fresh take on classic feminine prints, arrange pink and turquoise florals in a zigzag pattern. Tie the varied prints together with a large floral border.

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Materials

- 17— $\frac{1}{4}$ -yard pieces assorted florals in teal, dark green, light green, dark pink, and light pink (rows)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard pink paisley (row, inner border)
- $1\frac{1}{8}$ yards teal floral (outer border)
- $\frac{5}{8}$ yard solid teal (binding)
- $3\frac{1}{4}$ yards backing fabric
- 57×68" batting
- Acrylic ruler with 45° marking

Finished quilt: 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×59 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Quantities are for 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

Measurements include $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the following order.

From each assorted floral, cut:

- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips

From pink paisley, cut:

- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips
- 5—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips for inner border

From teal floral, cut:

- 6—5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips for outer border

From solid teal, cut:

- 6—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" binding strips

Assemble Segments

1. Gather two different floral 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips. Sew together to make Strip Set A (Diagram 1). Press seam toward bottom strip.
2. Using an acrylic ruler, trim left-hand end of strip set at a 45° angle from the bottom edge (Diagram 2). Measuring from trimmed end, cut nine 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide A segments.

3. Using remaining 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips from same two florals, sew together to make Strip Set B (Diagram 3). Press seam toward top strip.
4. Using an acrylic ruler, trim left-hand end of remaining strip set at a 45° angle from the top edge (Diagram 4). Measuring from trimmed end, cut nine 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide B segments.
5. Using remaining floral and pink paisley 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips, repeat steps 1-4 to make nine A segments and nine B segments total in each colorway.

Assemble Quilt Top

1. Referring to first vertical row in **Quilt Center Assembly Diagram**, sew together nine B segments in a row. Press seams in same direction as other seams in row.
2. Referring to second vertical row in **Quilt Center Assembly Diagram**, join nine A segments in a row. Press seams in same direction as other seams in row.
3. Referring to **Quilt Center Assembly Diagram**, repeat steps 1 and 2 to make nine each of rows A and B.

4. Join rows; press seams in one direction. Referring to **Diagram 5** and **Quilt Center Assembly Diagram**, trim top and bottom edges $\frac{1}{4}$ " beyond points to complete quilt center. The quilt center should be 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×47 $\frac{1}{4}$ " including seam allowances.

Add Borders

1. Cut and piece pink paisley 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips to make:
 - 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×47 $\frac{1}{4}$ " inner border strips
 - 2—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×38 $\frac{1}{2}$ " inner border strips
2. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, sew long inner border strips to long edges of quilt center. Add short inner border strips to remaining edges. Press all seams toward inner border.
3. Cut and piece teal floral 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×42" strips to make:
 - 2—5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×49 $\frac{1}{4}$ " outer border strips
 - 2—5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ×48 $\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips
4. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, sew long outer border strips to long edges of quilt center. Add short outer border strips to remaining edges to complete quilt top. Press all seams toward outer border.

Finish Quilt

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste. Quilt as desired.
2. Bind with solid teal binding strips.

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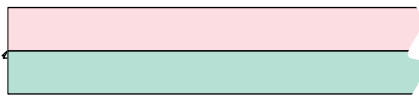


DIAGRAM 1
Strip Set A

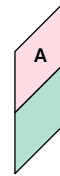
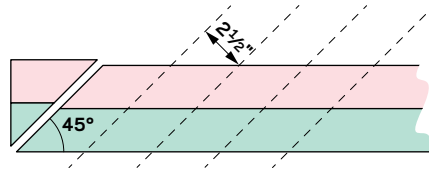


DIAGRAM 2
A

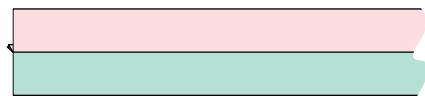


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Strip Set B

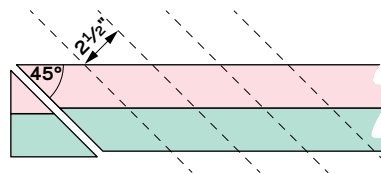
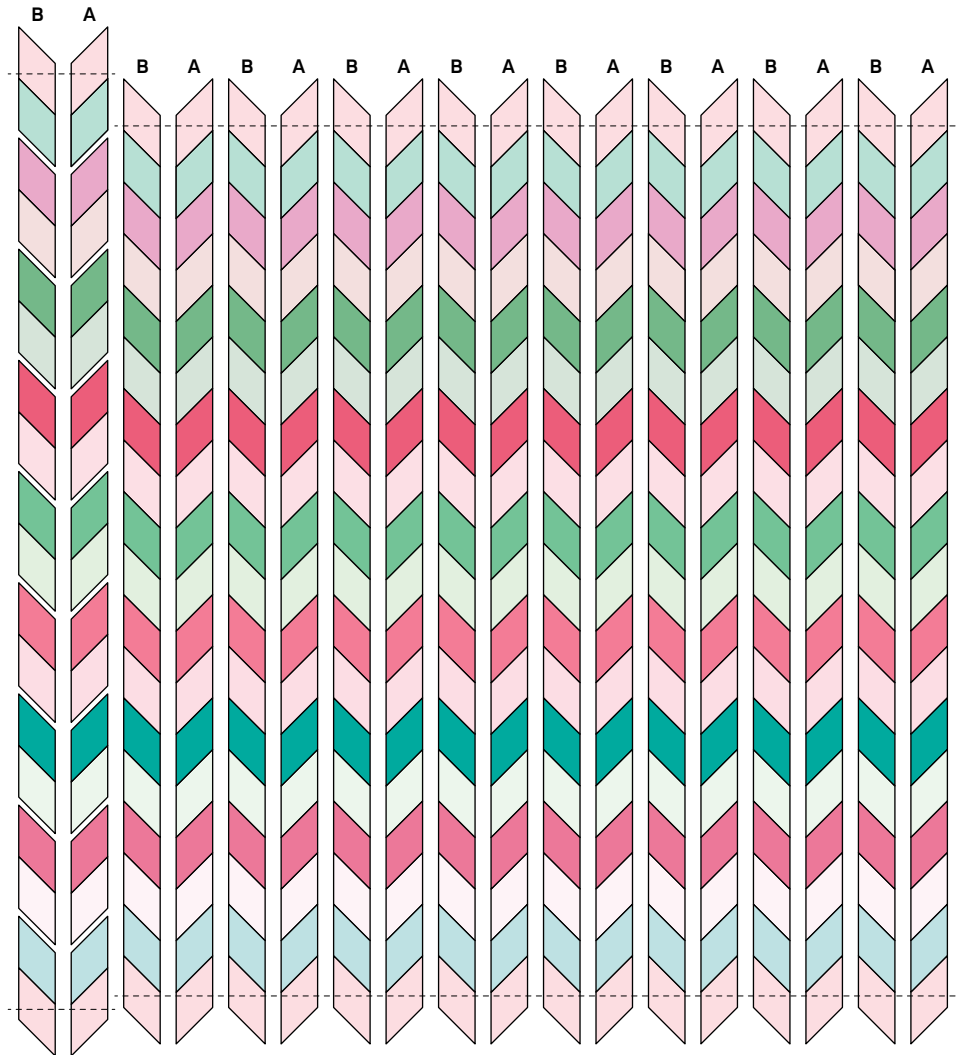


DIAGRAM 4
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QUILT CENTER ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

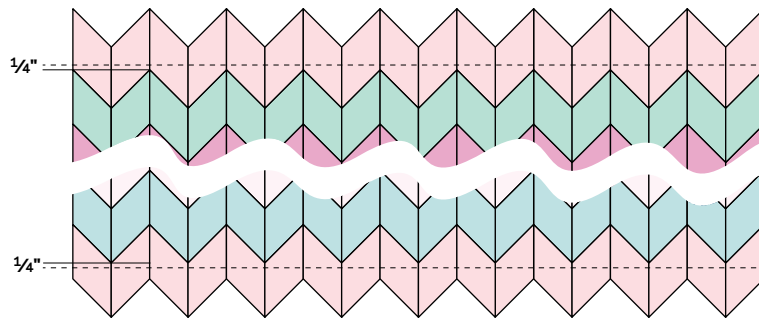
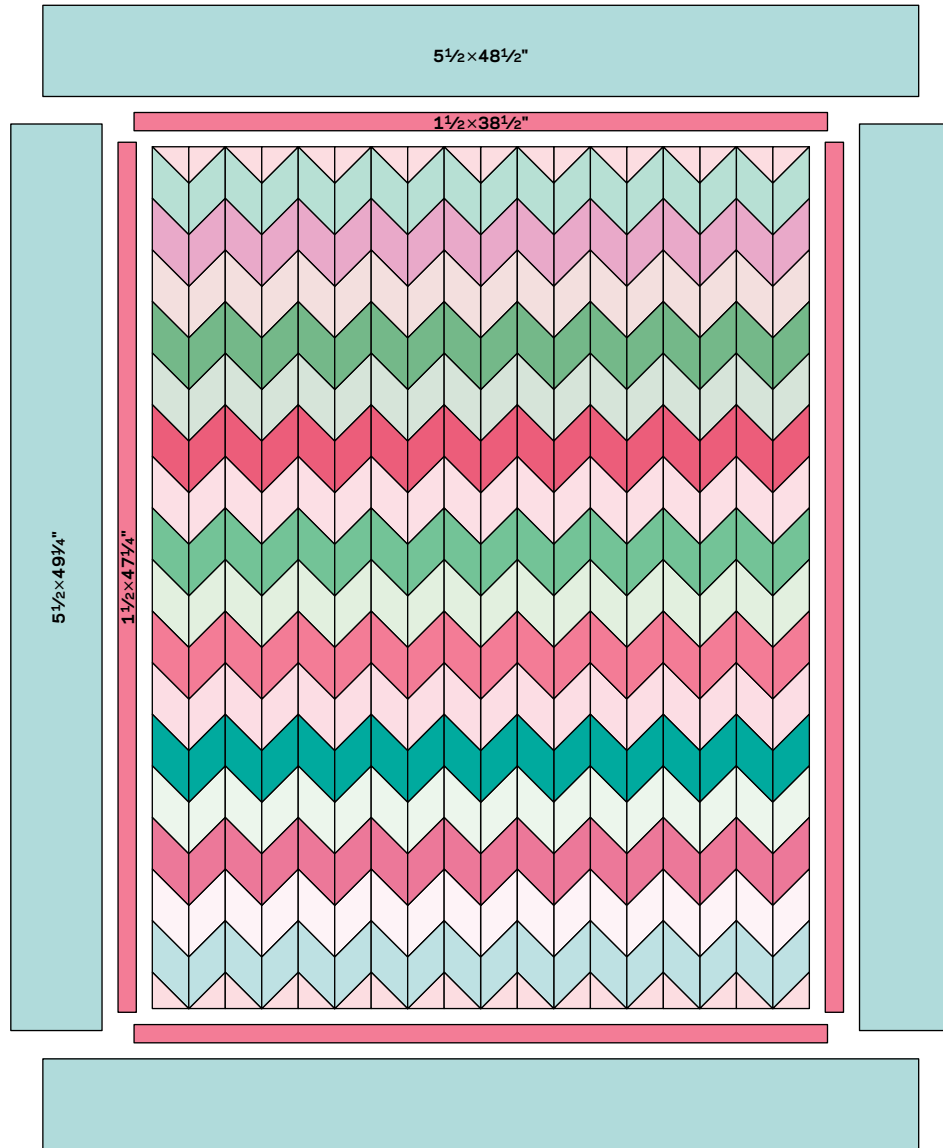


DIAGRAM 5

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QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM