

Project: Northwoods Crossroads

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**Materials**

- ½ yard hand-dyed green (blocks)
- 1¼ yards mottled navy blue (blocks)
- 2⅞ yards total assorted red, green, brown, white, and navy blue prints (blocks)
- ⅝ yard green floral (inner border)
- ¼ yard mottled red (middle border)
- 1⅞ yards blue floral (outer border, binding)
- 3⅞ yards backing fabric
- 66" square batting

Finished quilt: 59½" square

Finished block: 8" square

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

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

**Cut Fabrics**

Cut pieces in the following order.

**From hand-dyed green, cut:**

- 72—2½" squares

**From mottled navy blue, cut:**

- 72—4½" squares

**From assorted red, green, brown, white, and navy blue prints, cut:**

- 360—2½" squares

**From green floral, cut:**

- 5—2×42" strips for inner border

**From mottled red, cut:**

- 6—1×42" strips for middle border

**From blue floral, cut:**

- 6—4×42" strips for outer border
- 7—2½×42" binding strips

**Assemble Blocks**

1. Mark a diagonal line on wrong side of each hand-dyed green 2½" square and 72 of the assorted red, green, brown, white, and navy blue print 2½" squares.
2. Align a marked hand-dyed green square with one corner of a mottled navy blue 4½" square (**Diagram 1**; note direction of drawn line). Sew on drawn line; trim excess, leaving ¼" seam allowance. Press open attached triangle.
3. Align a marked red, green, brown, white, or navy blue print square with opposite corner of mottled navy blue square (**Diagram 1**; again note direction of drawn line). Stitch, trim, and press as before to make a Floating Star unit. The unit should be 4½" square including seam allowances.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to make 72 Floating Star units total.
5. Sew together four assorted red, green, brown, white, and navy blue print 2½" squares in pairs (**Diagram 2**). Press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make a Four-Patch unit. Press seam in one direction. The unit should be 4½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 72 Four-Patch units total.
6. Referring to **Diagram 3**, sew together two Four-Patch units and two Floating Star units in pairs. Press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make an Arkansas Crossroads block. Press seam in one direction. The block should be 8½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make 36 Arkansas Crossroads blocks total.

**Assemble Quilt Top**

1. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, lay out blocks in six rows, noting direction of Floating Star units and placement of hand-dyed green corner in each unit.
2. Sew together blocks in each row. Press seams in one direction, alternating direction with each row.
3. Join rows to make quilt center. Press seams in one direction. The quilt center should be 48½" square including seam allowances.
4. Cut and piece green floral 2×42" strips to make:
  - 2—2×51½" inner border strips
  - 2—2×48½" inner border strips
5. Sew short inner border strips to opposite edges of quilt center. Add long inner border strips to remaining edges. Press all seams toward border.
6. Cut and piece mottled red 1×42" strips to make:
  - 2—1×52½" inner border strips
  - 2—1×51½" inner border strips
7. Sew short middle border strips to opposite edges of quilt center. Add long middle border strips to remaining edges. Press all seams toward middle border.
8. Cut and piece blue floral 4×42" strips to make:
  - 2—4×59½" outer border strips
  - 2—4×52½" outer border strips

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9. Sew short outer border strips to opposite edges of quilt center. Add long outer border strips to remaining edges to complete quilt top. Press all seams toward outer border.



DIAGRAM 1



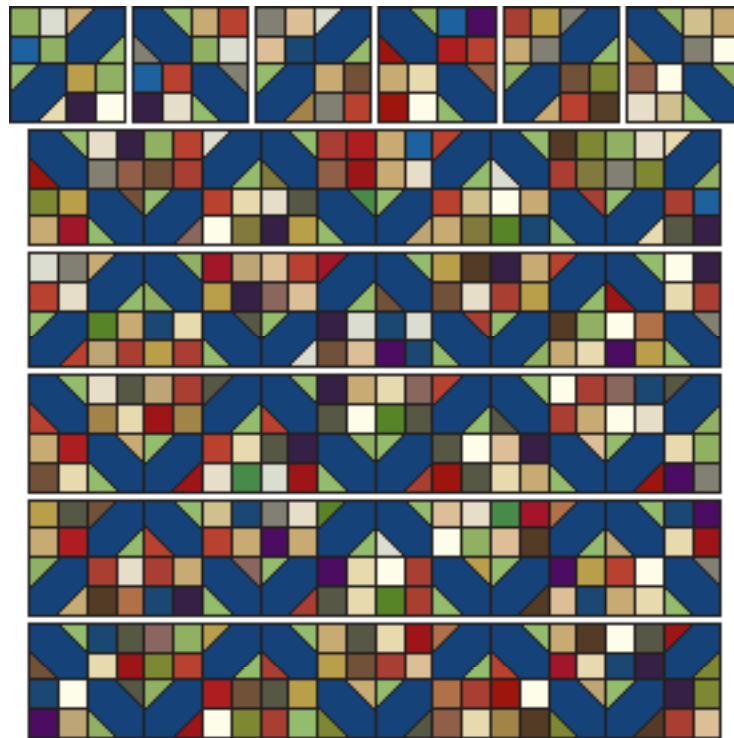
DIAGRAM 2



DIAGRAM 3

Finish Quilt

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



QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM