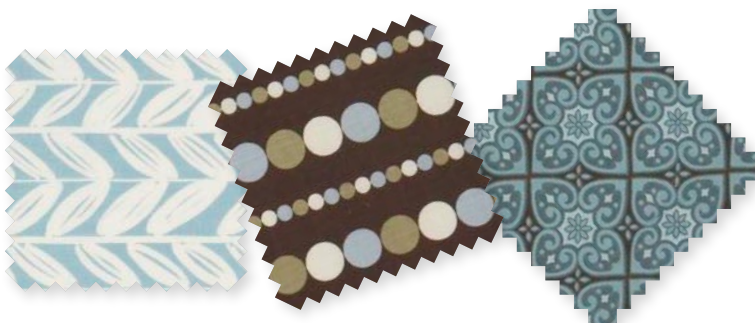


Project: Funky Crossroads

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This quick wall hanging uses Rosemarie Lavin's Harmony collection for Windham Fabrics. With just four Arkansas Crossroads blocks, attention goes right to the medallion shape formed where the blocks meet. Although the prints in the Four-Patch units vary in color, value, and scale, they're all set off well by the same chocolate brown tone-on-tone used as the base of each Floating Star unit.

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Materials

- $\frac{1}{8}$ yard each of green floral and light blue print (blocks)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard brown circle print (blocks)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard total assorted green and turquoise prints (blocks)
- $\frac{1}{3}$ yard blue stripe (inner border)
- 1 yard brown floral (outer border, binding)
- $1\frac{1}{3}$ yards backing fabric
- 46" square batting

Finished quilt: $39\frac{1}{2}$ " square

Finished block: 12" square

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 of green floral and light blue print, cut:

- 8— $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From brown circle print, cut:

- 8— $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From assorted green and turquoise prints, cut:

- 32— $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From blue stripe, cut:

- 2— $2 \times 27\frac{1}{2}$ " inner border strips
- 2— $2 \times 24\frac{1}{2}$ " inner border strips

From brown floral, cut:

- 2— $5 \times 39\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips
- 2— $5 \times 30\frac{1}{2}$ " outer border strips
- 5— $2\frac{1}{2} \times 42$ " binding strips

Assemble Blocks

1. Mark a diagonal line on wrong side of each green floral and light blue print $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square.
2. Align a marked green floral $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square with one corner of a brown circle print $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square (**Diagram 1**; note direction of drawn line). Sew on the drawn line; trim excess, leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press open attached triangle.
3. Align a marked light blue print $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square with opposite corner of brown circle print 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 $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to make eight Floating Star units total.
5. Sew together four assorted green and turquoise print $3\frac{1}{2}$ " 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 $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make eight 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 $12\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances. Repeat to make four Arkansas Crossroads blocks total.

Assemble Quilt Top

1. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, lay out blocks in rows, noting direction of Floating Star units.
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 $24\frac{1}{2}$ " square including seam allowances.
4. Sew short inner border strips to opposite edges of quilt center. Add long inner border strips to remaining edges. Press all seams toward inner border.
5. 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.

Finish Quilt

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

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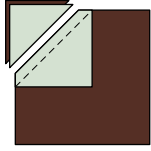


DIAGRAM 1

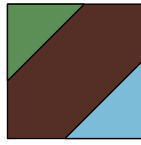
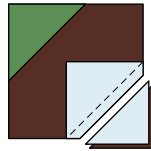


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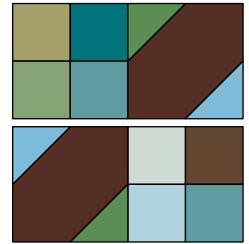
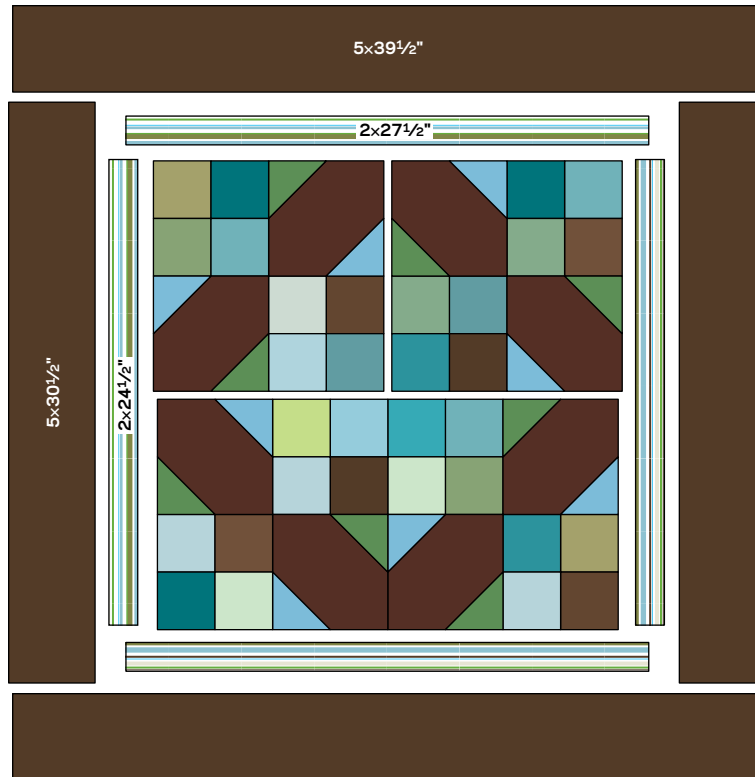


DIAGRAM 3



QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM