

Project: Blooming Borders 16-Patch Throw

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Frame a quilt that radiates from the center with head-turning borders. Fabrics are from the Garden Whimsy collection by Kim Schaefer for Andover Fabrics (andoverfabrics.com).

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Materials

- 1½ yards total medium assorted prints in orange, blue, yellow, purple, green, and red (blocks)
- 7⁄8 yard total dark assorted tone-on-tones in brown, blue, and red (blocks)
- 1⅓ yards floral border stripe (border)
- ⅞ yard red tone-on-tone (corner squares)
- 5⁄8 yard green tone-on-tone (binding)
- 4 yards backing fabric
- 70" square batting

Finished quilt: 61½" square

Finished block: 12" 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. Cut borders lengthwise (parallel to selvedge).

From medium assorted prints, cut:

- 160—3½" squares

From dark assorted tone-on-tones, cut:

- 96—3½" squares

From floral border stripe, fussy-cut:

- 4—7×48½" borders

From red tone-on-tone, cut:

- 4—7" squares

From green tone-on-tone, cut:

- 7—2½×42" binding strips

Assemble Blocks

1. Referring to **Diagram 1**, lay out 10 assorted medium print 3½" squares and six dark tone-on-tone 3½" squares in four rows.
2. Sew together squares in each row. Press seams in directions indicated by arrows.
3. Join rows to make a 16-Patch block (**Diagram 2**). Press seams in direction indicated. The block should be 12½" square including seam allowances.
4. Repeat steps 1-3 to make sixteen 16-Patch blocks total.

Assemble Quilt Center

1. Referring to **Quilt Assembly Diagram**, lay out blocks in four rows. At red circled intersections, re-press block seams in opposite directions so they will interlock when blocks and rows are joined.
2. Sew together blocks in each row. Press seams in one direction, alternating direction with each row. Join rows to complete quilt top. Press seams in one direction.

Add Border

1. Sew floral border strips to opposite edges of quilt center. Press seams toward border strips.
2. Sew red tone-on-tone 7" squares to ends of remaining border strips to make two border units. Press seams toward squares. Join border units to remaining edges of quilt center to complete quilt top. Press seams toward border units.

Finish Quilt

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste. Quilt as desired.
2. Bind with green tone-on-tone binding strips.

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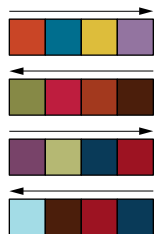
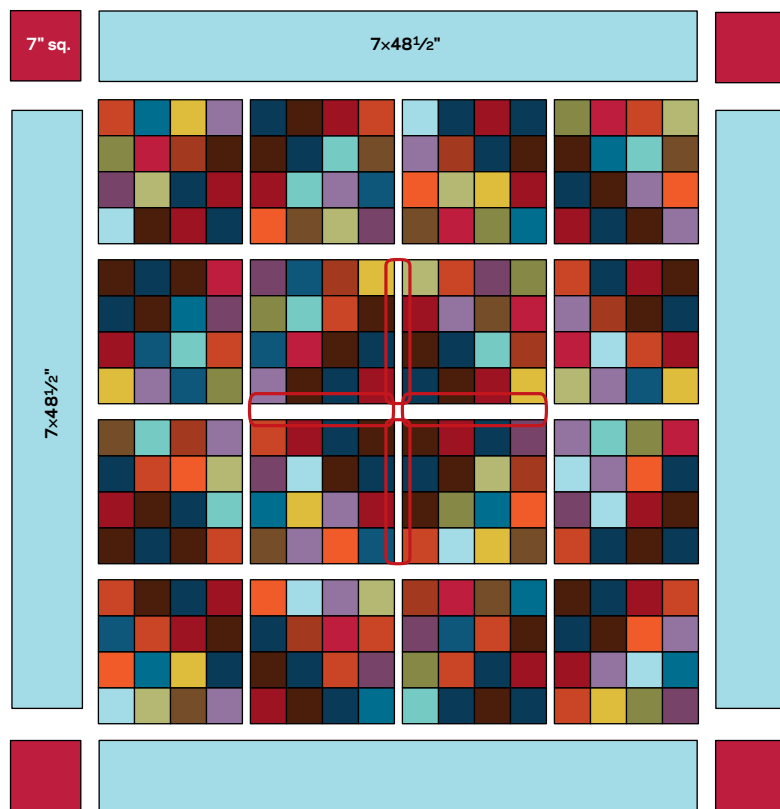


DIAGRAM 1



DIAGRAM 2



QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM