



PATTERNS

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**Giving  
Season**

'tis the season for  
a mini charm pack  
pillow project



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## Giving Season

A festive pillow to brighten up any holiday space

Finished pillow: 16½" x 16½"

### MATERIALS NEEDED

1 mini charm pack . . . . .	(38 squares 2½" x 2½")
¾ yard . . . . .	charcoal fabric (#9900 284)
(1) square 10" x 10" . . . . .	white fabric (#9900 98)
¾ yard . . . . .	pillow backing fabric
20" x 20" . . . . .	batting
18" x 18" . . . . .	pillow form

Fabric is *Christmas Eve* by *Lella Boutique* for Moda Fabrics +  
Moda Bella Solids #9900 284 "Charcoal" and #9900 98 "White  
Bleached."



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## BEFORE YOU BEGIN

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## CUTTING DIRECTIONS



1. Designate (25) mini charm squares  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$  for gift boxes.  
To each square: Cut in half to yield (2) A rectangles  $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$  per print. Keep organized in matching pairs - (25) pairs total.
2. Designate (13) mini charm squares  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$  for ribbons/bows.  
To each square, subcut the following:
  - (1) B rectangle  $1'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$
  - (2) C squares  $1'' \times 1''$
3. To the white fabric (more ribbons/bows), cut the following:
  - (12) B rectangle  $1'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$
  - (24) C squares  $1'' \times 1''$
4. To the charcoal background fabric, cut the following:
  - (1) strip  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (6) D squares  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ . From the remnant, cut (2) E rectangles  $2'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$  and (3) F rectangles  $1'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ .
  - (1) strip  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (16) E rectangles  $2'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ . Add to the others to get (18) E total.
  - (1) strip  $2'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (2) G rectangles  $2'' \times 15''$ .
  - (1) strip  $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (2) H rectangles  $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 17\frac{1}{2}''$ .

From the remnants, cut (10) J squares  $1'' \times 1''$ .

  - (1) strip  $1'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (25) I rectangles  $1'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$ .
  - (1) strips  $1'' \times \text{WOF}''$ . Subcut (40) J squares  $1'' \times 1''$ . Add to the others to get (50) J squares total.
5. To the pillow backing fabric, cut (2) K rectangles  $11'' \times 17\frac{1}{2}''$ .

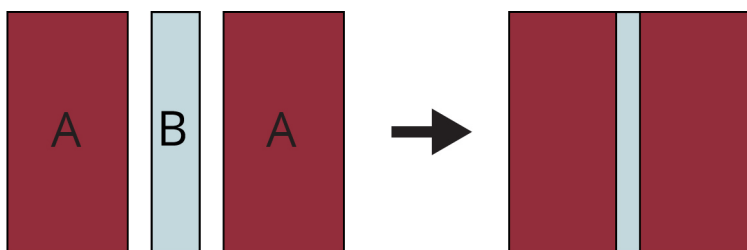
# BLOCK ASSEMBLY

\*Assume  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance for block piecing

\*RST means right sides together

\*Press the seam toward the darker print

5. To make 1 gift block, gather the following:  
 (2) matching A rectangles  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$  print #1  
 (1) B rectangle  $1" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$  print #2  
 (2) C squares  $1" \times 1"$  print #2  
 (1) I rectangle  $1" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$  background print  
 (1) J squares  $1" \times 1"$  background print
6. Sew into a row: (2) matching A rectangles  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$  of print #1 with (1) B rectangle  $1" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$  of print #2 in between. Press. Unfinished unit should measure  $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$ .

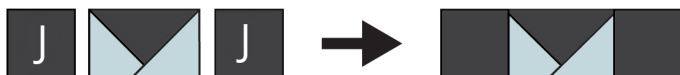


7. Mark a diagonal line on the back of (2) C squares  $1" \times 1"$  of print #2. Bring (1) marked C square RST with (1) I background rectangle  $1" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$ . Sew along the marked line, trim  $\frac{1}{4}"$  seam allowance, and press. Repeat to add (1) marked C square RST to the opposite side, orienting the marked line to mirror the other. Sew along the marked line, trim  $\frac{1}{4}"$  seam allowance, and press. Unfinished unit should measure  $1" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$ .

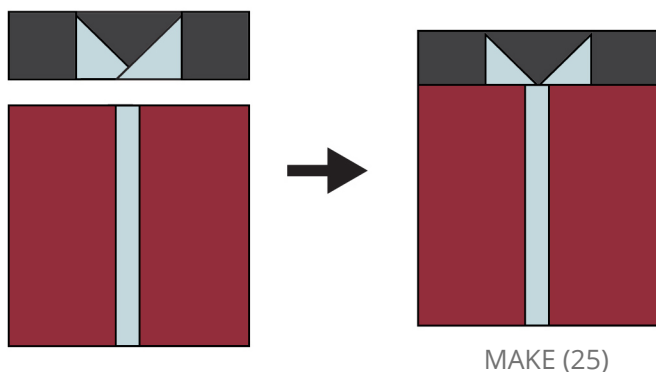




8. Sew (2) J background squares 1" x 1" to the sides of the unit from Step #7. Press. Unfinished unit should measure 1" x 2½".



9. Sew (1) bow unit from Step #8 to the top of (1) gift box unit from Step #6. Press away from the bow unit. Unfinished unit should measure 2½" x 3". Make (25).



## QUILT-TOP ASSEMBLY

10. Arrange (25) units from Step #9, (6) D background squares  $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$ , and (18) E background rectangles as shown. Sew the units into columns and press. Sew the columns together; press. Should measure  $14\frac{1}{2}" \times 15"$ .



11. Sew (2) G background rectangles 2" x 15" to the sides of the unit from Step #20. Press. Pillow-top should measure 15" x 17½".

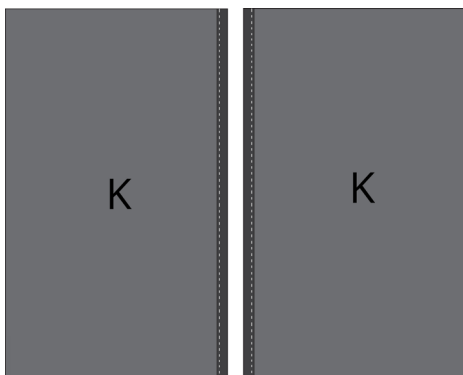
Sew (2) H background rectangles 1¾" x 17½" to the top and bottom of the unit from Step #11. Press. Pillow-top should measure 17½" x 17½".



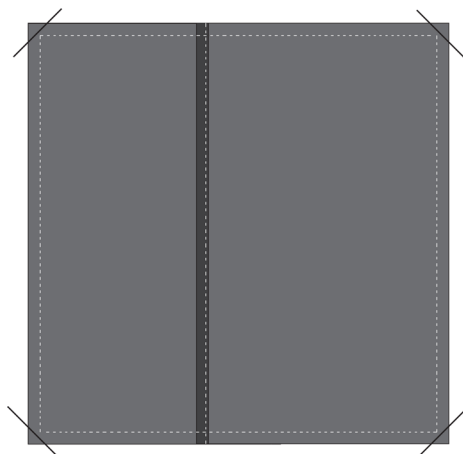
## FINISHING THE PILLOW

12. Baste the unit from Step #11 to the batting and quilt as desired. (For a project this small, I typically insert safety pins throughout. I quilted straight lines  $\frac{1}{4}$ " apart.)

13. To create an envelope opening for the pillow back, gather the (2) K rectangles 11" x 17½" of pillow backing fabric. To each rectangle: fold one 17½" side under  $\frac{1}{4}$ " (wrong sides together) and press in place. Fold it under again to hide the raw edge and press in place again. Topstitch along the folded edges to give it a nice, finished look.



14. Arrange (2) K rectangles from Step #13 RST with the pillow-top from Step #11, aligning raw edges so the "finished" sides of each K rectangle overlaps the center. Pin in place and sew  $\frac{1}{2}$ " around the perimeter. (This is the only time to use  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance.) Clip the corners taking care to not cut into the actual seam.



15. Turn the pillow right-side out through the envelope opening and insert the 18"x 18" pillow form. (It's intentionally a little bigger for a nice and full pillow.)