

A Dog's Life Sandwich Border Panel Quilt

Finished Size 35 x 45"

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Fabric requirements:

1 Dog's Life panel measuring about 24 x 42"

40 – 5" Charm squares

½ yard red for "sandwich" border

½ yard black print for outside border

½ yard pillow backs

½ yard binding

1 ½ yards quilt backing

Cut off two of the doggie pictures for pillow and trim the Dog's Life panel to about 22 x 32" leaving about 7/8" of the black border around the outside.

Stitch 10 of the 5" charms together into a long piece. Press the seams allowances to one side and steam press very flat. Fold the pieced unit into thirds and then cut 2 @ 1 1/2" wide strips that measure about 45" long. Repeat with another 10 squares so you now have 4 of the 45" pieced borders. Stitch all 4 together into one long piece.

Red border: cut 8 @ 2" wide. Stitch 4 together along their short edges and repeat with the other 4. Pin and stitch onto each side of the pieced border. Trim off excess red print. Press seam allowances away from the pieced border. You now have a long border unit that measures 4 1/2" wide and has the pieced "sandwiched" between the red print.

Mitered sandwich border: Cut the sandwich border into 2 – 45" lengths for the sides, and 2 – 35" lengths for the top and bottom. Pin the border onto one side of the panel, matching the center of the border with the center of the side. Using a 1/4" seam allowance, stitch the border onto the side starting and stopping 1/4" from the beginning and the end. Repeat for the other side and for the top and bottom. Using chalk or a pencil, mark and trim off the borders at a 45 degree angle.



The last step is to pin and stitch the mitered ends of the borders together making sure to match up the seams. Start at the outside pointy corners and stitch toward the body of the quilt.

Outside border: cut 4 @ 3" the width of the fabric. Stitch onto all 4 sides of the top.
Quilt, bind, and enjoy!

Pillows:

Stitch 11 charm squares together as described above. Fold the pieced unit into thirds and then cut 2 @ 1 1/2" wide strips that measure about 49" long. Stitch the pieced border onto all 4 sides of each panel.

To make envelope backings: cut the 1/2 yard backing into 4 pieces 10 x 18". Narrow hem the 18" sides. Fold 3" of the hemmed edge, wrong sides together. Place this right side down on your pillow top matching the raw edges on the bottom. Take the other back piece and place it on top of all layers, right side down, matching the raw edges on the top. Pin all around. Stitch from the backside of the pillow all around the pillow just inside the basting stitches. Trim off the excess backing and batting. Flip right side out. Repeat for the second pillow. Stuff and enjoy!



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