

Jagged X's

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Finished Size 58 x 65"



Fabric requirements:

1 Layer Cake (Need at least 32 Dark or Medium fabrics) OR 1 Jelly Roll

2 yards – Background

2 yards – Borders & Binding

3 ¾ yards – Backing

Cutting Instructions:

If you are using a **Layer Cake** cut the following:

Select 32 - layer cake squares. From each square cut the following as shown in the diagram to the right.

- 1 - 3" x 10" rectangle for pieced borders.
- 8 - 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles for patchwork blocks.

From the remaining 8 - layer cake squares cut the following:

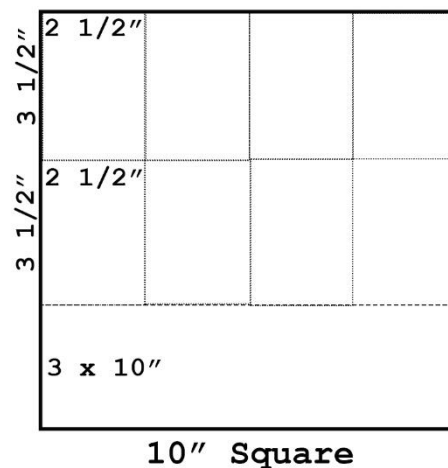
- 2 - 3" x 10" and 1- 4" x 10" for pieced borders.

If you are using a **Jelly Roll** cut the following:

Select 32 - 2 1/2" strips. From each cut the following:

- 8 - 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles for patchwork blocks.
- 1 - 2 1/2" x 10" rectangle for pieced borders.

From the remaining 8 jelly roll strips cut 4 - 2 1/2 x 10" rectangles for pieced borders.



Background:

Cut 24 - 2 1/2" WOF (width of fabric) strips. Sub-cut into 240 - 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" pieces.

Cut 2 - 2 1/2" WOF strips. Sub-cut into 4 - 2 1/2" x 10" rectangles for pieced borders.

Border:

Cut 12 - 2 1/2" WOF strips.

Sewing:

Mark a diagonal line at a 45 degree angle on the back side of each of the colored rectangles squares as shown below. Lay the colored rectangle onto a background rectangle. Stitch along the drawn line. Trim excess corner fabric leaving 1/4" seam allowance. Open and press seam allowances toward the darker fabric. Repeat to make a total of 240. The rectangle will now measure 2 1/2" x 4 1/2".



Select two pieced rectangles with different prints and stitch together as shown below. Press seam allowances to one side. Repeat to make a total of 120. Each will now measure 4 ½" square.



Lay out the pieced blocks into a 10 x 12 block quilt with every other block turned sideways as shown in the picture of the finished quilt. Stitch into rows, and stitch rows together. Steam press very flat.

Pieced Border

Take all the 10" rectangles and stitch them along their long edges into a very long strip unit that measures at least 127" long. It doesn't matter if the pieces are 3", 4", or 2 ½", just mix up the colors and sizes.



Steam press all seam allowances to one side. Sub-cut the strip unit into 4 – 2 ½" wide pieced borders. Hint: fold the strip unit so that the seams are off set so you can cut multiple layers with out too much thickness all in one spot. If the folded strip unit is too thick for you to cut through, then you can take out some of the seams so your long strip unit is in two or more sections, cut them individually, and then stitch them back together.

Lay out two of the borders and move one down about 6 ½". Pin right sides together and stitch along the long edge.



Stitch 3 of border fabric strips together along their short edges. Pin and stitch onto each side of the pieced borders. Press seam allowances away from the pieced borders. You now have two long border units that measure 9 1/2" wide. **From each border unit you will get one border for the width of the quilt, and one for the length of the quilt.**

Mitered Borders:

Draw a line at a 45 degree angle (you can use a triangle ruler or half square triangle ruler) on end of the border as shown below. Cut along the line.



Top and bottom borders:

You can either measure the width of your pieced top and cut your border shorter to that measurement, or simply slide the border so that the top edge of the angled end just meets the right edge of the quilt top. It is best to do this somewhere across the middle, not on the very edge of the quilt. Draw a line at the other end of the border starting at the edge of the quilt and angling 45 degrees down and to the left. Cut along the drawn line. Repeat with the second border unit.

Side borders:

Take the rest of each border unit and repeat the procedure along the length of the quilt.

Put a dot 1/4" in from the corners of the quilt, and on each short end of the borders. Match up the dots, and stitch one border onto the quilt starting and stopping your stitching at the dots. Repeat for the other 3 borders.

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 to the dot.

Quilt, bind, and enjoy!



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