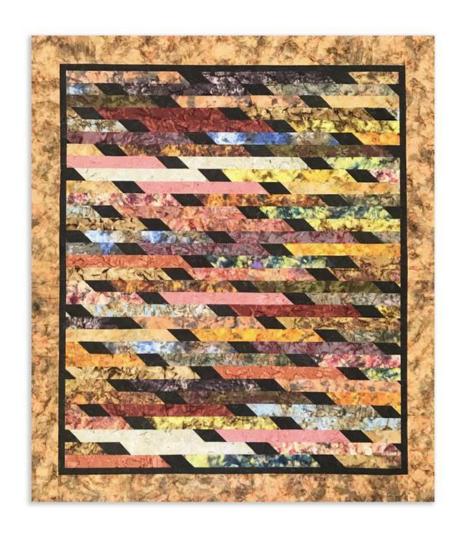
JELLY ROLL DRAG RACE

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Required materials:

1 Jelly Roll – 40 strips 2 ½" wide

1 yard accent

3/8 yard inner border

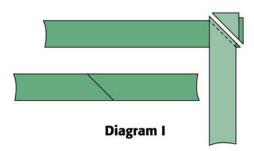
1 yard outer border

5/8 yard binding

4 yards backing

Step 1: Cut accent fabric into 14@2 ½" WOF. Sub-cut each strip into 6 ½x2 ½" pieces. You need a total of 79 pieces.

<u>Step 2:</u> Cut each strip from your jelly roll in half so each now measures 2 ½ by about 20 inches long. <u>Step 3:</u> Place an accent piece onto the end of a jelly roll strip at a 90 degree angle and stitch like the diagram below. Trim off excess to leave a ¼" seam allowance. Finger press the seam allowance to one side. Stitch a jelly roll strip of a different color to the accent piece using the same method. Your accent pieces are now diamond shaped. Keep adding pieces, alternating accent pieces and jelly roll strips until you have one very long strip. You will use your entire jelly roll.



Step 4: Take both ends of your long strip and put them right sides together and "drag" one of the strips down so that the diamonds are offset by about 8". Use a ¼" seam allowance and stitch the long edges together. You are essentially folding your long strip in half and sewing it together. When you are near the end cut the fold and continue stitching. Please note that your very long strip may have been twisted and you may have to estimate where the ends should be to make your cut. It is ok if your ends don't finish at exactly the same length as the whole finished patchwork will get trimmed off straight later.

You now have a long piece of patchwork that is 2 strips wide. Finger press the seam allowance to one side.

<u>Step 5:</u> Repeat the above step again "dragging" the patchwork a bit so that the diamonds are offset. Don't worry if the end looks very jagged! This will result in a long piece of patchwork that is 4 strips wide.

<u>Step 6:</u> Repeat again, resulting in a patchwork that is 8 strips wide.

<u>Step 7:</u> Repeat again, resulting in a patchwork that is 16 strips wide.

Step 8: Repeat the process one last time giving you a patchwork that is 32 strips or about 64". Iron your patchwork top very flat. Trim the jagged edges using a rotary cutter and ruler. I find this easier to do if I fold the quilt in half so it is about 32" and then cut each side straight. The resulting size will be **about** 52" but may be bigger or smaller depending on exactly how long your strips started and how much of the jagged edges had to be trimmed.

Borders:

- Inner border: cut 7@1 ½" WOF and stitch around all 4 sides.
- Outer border: cut 7@5" WOF and stitch around all 4 sides.

Iron, quilt, bind, and enjoy your quilt!