Balancing Act

Designed by Donna Jordan for Jordan Fabrics Finished Size 72x90"



Fabric requirements 18 Fat Quarters OR 18 Quarter Yards OR 9 Half Yards 3 Yards Background ¾ Yard Binding 5 ½ Yards Backing (not included)

Cutting Instructions:

From each fat quarter cut 2 strips 8 ¼" wide by about 22" (the height of the fat quarter) From the background fabric cut 18 @ 4 ¾" the width of the fabric. Split each strip in half along the fold so it is about 4 ¾ x 22".

Sewing Instructions:

Take 6 different print strips and 6 background strips. Stitch together along their long edges alternating print and background strips as shown below. Finger press seams to the dark side. Fold the strip unit in half (right sides together, raw edges matching) and stitch to make a tube. Finger press seam toward the dark side. Iron the whole strip tube unit.

Repeat to make a total of 6 strip tube units.



To make your quilt rows, cut the strip tube unit into 6@ 3 ¼". You need a total of 32 rows (you will have a few left over).

Take one of the 3 ¼" tube units and cut through the background section so that it is now a row that measures 72" wide. Repeat to make a second row, but cut a slightly different distance from the print fabric. Keep making rows being sure to mix up the distances to get a nice selection of prints that are stacked and off-set. Be sure to watch the video to see a demonstration of this technique.

Repeat to make 32 rows.

Stitch the rows together and press all seam allowances to one side.

Quilt, bind, and enjoy!

Check out a step by step tutorial for this quilt and all our other projects on YouTube!



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