

Poinsettia Quilt

This block measures 12 inches across widest point when pieced. A quilt 7 blocks wide by 8 long, with 3-inch border all around will measure approximately 93x105.

The total number of each piece required for a quilt of this size is given on the cutting guide. One block on the quilt chart is lettered to correspond with letters on cutting outlines; refer to this when piecing blocks.

Cut all pieces along dashed line and seam at solid lines. E pieces must be cut double by placing dotted line on fold of material, or a complete pattern of E may be cut from heavy wrapping or sandpaper and the pieces cut by this.

The small "e" border triangle is also cut double, and 64 of these will be needed. They may be of green to correspond with setting, of white, or to match border, in which case they will become part of the border.

For a realistic poinsettia, red print may be used for A and B pieces, with yellow D center and green E setting. For those who do not desire such vivid colors, daintier pastel prints and solid colors may form the flower, and the E setting might be white.

In piecing the blocks, seam A, B and C pieces together as shown on chart. Turn D pieces under, baste edge down, and blind stitch or whip in place over center of pieced flower. Sew the E pieces around the pieced flower as shown. When difficult corners must be turned, neater work will result if one piece is laid over the other, turned under and blind stitched or whipped down as in appliqueing.

The 3-inch border may be white or plain color. Quilt along lines of pieced blocks. MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS: For piecing—

- 2 yds. white for C pieces.
- 3 yds. print or plain for B pieces.
- 2 5/6 yds. print or plain for A pieces.
- 4 yds. green or other color for E pieces.
- 2 yds. material for 3-inch border.
- 9" material for "e" pieces.
- 9" yellow for D pieces.

If preferred, the petals and centers may be appliqued on 9 1/2-inch white blocks. 5 yds. of white will be needed to cut 56 9 1/2-inch blocks. No C pieces will be needed if blocks are appliqued. Cut all other pieces the same. There will be enough white left after cutting 9 1/2-inch blocks to make "e" pieces.

