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## Block Busters

Evening Elegance
Made using Studio 180 Design’s Wing Clipper ${ }^{\ominus}$ I, or Square Squared ${ }^{\circ}$ tools


Setting Options One \& Two


We have been creating BlockBuster blocks for you for almost 3 years now. If you were wondering if we would ever provide you with settings to use with the blocks, the answer is yes! The first two settings that we designed allow you to display 9 of your favorite blocks. Pick a set of 9 BlockBuster blocks that you like together, pick a setting, and have loads of fun making your very own, unique creation!

All the directions you need to make the Square Squared or Flying Geese units you'll use in your setting can be found in the tool instructions for the Square Squared or the Wing Clipper. ${ }^{\circ}$. There are charts, step by step graphics, and directions. Use the chart to find the information you need for the finished size of the unit you want to make. Then work your way through the instructions.


Setting Option 1


Setting Option 2

Cutting Chart

| Setting Pieces |  | \# of Pieces Required | For 12" Blocks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Setting Option One | A1: Square Squared ${ }^{\text {e }}$ Units | 16 | $3 " \times 3$ " finished size $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ cut size |
|  | B1: Setting Rectangles | 8 | $2 " \times 121 / 2$ " cut size |
| Setting Option Two | A2: Flying Geese | 32 | $1^{1 / 2}{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 3$ " finished size 2"x $31 / 2$ " cut size |
|  | B2: Setting Rectangles | 32 | $2 " \times 31 / 2$ " cut size |
| C: Setting Rectangle (Background Fabric) |  | 4 | $61 / 2 \times 121 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ cut size |
| D: Setting Rectangles (Background Fabric) |  | 4 | $61 / 2 \times 181 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ cut size |
| E: Inner Border |  | 2 | $21 / 2 \times \times 48^{1 / 2}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
|  |  | 2 | $2{ }^{1 / 2} \times 1 \times 52^{1 / 2}$ |
| F: Outer Border |  | 2 | $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 52^{1 / 2}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
|  |  | 2 | $41 / 2 \times 1 \times 1{ }^{1 / 2}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |

The setting options are attractive and quite easy to construct. Both designs use 9 different blocks that finish to $12^{\prime \prime}$ and 4 pieced setting sections that finish to $6^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{\prime \prime}$. The remaining setting pieces are cut from the same background fabric to give an illusion of shapes floating freely on the surface. We chose the following 9 blocks for our projects, but you can choose any of the 34 BlockBusters for your quilt.


1) \#20 Stellar Collision

2) \#7-Whimsy Turndash

3) \#26-Cactus Blossom
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4) \#22-Square Dance

5) \#34-Evening Shadow

6) \#9- Three in One

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3) \#16-Peaks and Valleys

6) \#21 - Around the Block

9) \#1-Ohio Star Variation BlockBusters: Evening Elegance p. 2

To create your quilt using one of the two settings, make the 9 BlockBuster blocks that you have selected. Use the BlockBuster downloads and your tool instructions to make the blocks. In addition to the blocks, the layouts use 4 setting pieces. For setting option one, construct 16 Square Squared units using your tool instructions and sew them into the setting pieces shown in the Setting Option 1 diagram. For setting option two, make the 32 Flying Geese using your tool instructions and sew them together with the setting rectangles to make the setting pieces shown in the Setting Option 2 diagram. Once you have created your blocks and setting pieces, lay out the pieces according to the layout diagram.


Setting Option 1 - Make 4


Setting Option 2 - Make 4

Construct the quilt by stitching the blocks and setting pieces together into sections, then sew those sections together into rows as shown in the diagram below. When pressing your seams, press them toward the setting rectangles and the blocks that have the fewest seams. Or you can press them open if you prefer. Finally, stitch the rows together to create the center of the quilt. Add the inner border to the quilt by stitching the shorter inner border strips to the quilt first, then attach the longer strips as shown in the diagram on page 4. Press the seams toward the inner border. Do the same for the outer border, attaching the shorter strips first, then the longer strips. Press the seams toward the outer border.


Quilt Center Layout Diagram


Border Layout Diagram

Thanks to Janet Houts, Jean Ann Wright, and their book Circle of Nine which inspired our designs. It is an amazing book with many different settings for 9 blocks. If you have an interest in creating your own designs, we strongly encourage you to pick up a copy for additional inspiration!
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