## America the Beautiful

**Quilt Design by Matthew Pridemore** 







Featuring fabrics from America the Beautiful by Loni Harris

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Fabric Collection by Loni Harris for P&B Textiles

Quilt designed by Matthew Pridemore of The Whimsical Workshop

Skill Level: Confident Beginner • Finished Quilt Size: approx. 63" x 65"

This quilt meets Quilts of Valor® requirements

## Quilt Yardages:

Fabric A:	AMTB 5339 PA	1 panel
Fabric B:	AMTB 5346 W	1/4 yard
Fabric C:	AMTB 5348 DB	1 1/8 yards
Fabric D:	AMTB 5348 WE	1 1/3 yards
Fabric E:	AMTB 5348 DR	1 1/8 yards
Fabric F:	AMTB 5343 MU	1/2 yard
Fabric G:	AMTB 5347 MU	1/3 yard
Fabric H:	AMTB 5345 DB	1 2/3 yards
Backing:	AMTB 5342 W suggested	4 yards
Batting:		71" x 73"

## Cutting Instructions:

Please read all instructions carefully before beginning. Strips are cut across the width of fabric (perpendicular to selvedges) unless otherwise stated. All seams are sewn with a 1/4" seam unless otherwise stated. Label all pieces.

#### From Fabric A:

- 1. Fussy cut one 16 3/4" x 21 3/4" rectangle, centered on the large block. (Quilt Center)
- 2. Fussy cut two 11 1/2" x 8" rectangles, centered on small blocks. (Blocks)
- 3. Fussy cut two 11 1/2" x 13 1/2" rectangles, centered on medium blocks. (Blocks)

#### From Fabric B:

1. Cut one 5" strip; sub-cut four 5" x 8 1/2" rectangles. (Blocks)

#### From Fabric C:

- 1. Cut two 2 1/2" x 21 3/4" strips. (Blocks)
- 2. Cut two 2 1/2" x 20 3/4" strips. (Blocks)
- 3. Cut one 1 1/2" strip; sub-cut eight 1 1/2" x 5" strips. (Blocks)
- 4. Cut two 1 1/2" strips; sub-cut eight 1 1/2" x 10 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 5. Cut seven 2 1/2" strips. (Binding)

#### From Fabric D:

- 1. Cut two 5" strips; sub-cut four 5" x 11" strips. (Sashing)
- Cut three 2 1/2" strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut two 2 1/2" x 51 1/2" strips. (Sashing)
- 3. Cut two 1 1/2" x 24 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 4. Cut two 1 1/2" x 21 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 5. Cut six 1 1/2" strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut four 1 1/2" x 53 1/2" strips. (Borders)
- 6. Cut two 1 1/2" strips; sub-cut eight 1 1/2" x 7" strips. (Blocks)
- 7. Cut three 1 1/2" strips; eight 1 1/2" x 12 1/2" strips. (Blocks)

#### From Fabric E:

- 1. Cut three 2 1/2" strips; sub-cut four 2 1/2" x 13 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 2. Cut one 2 1/2" strip; sub-cut four 2 1/2" x 8" strips. (Blocks)
- 3. Cut four 2 1/2" strips; sub-cut eight 2 1/2" x 15 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 4. Cut two 1 1/2" x 26 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 5. Cut two 1 1/2" x 23 1/2" strips. (Blocks)
- 6. Cut two 1 1/2" strips; sub-cut eight 1 1/2" x 9" strips. (Blocks)
- 7. Cut four 1 1/2" strips; sub-cut eight 1 1/2" x 14 1/2" strips. (Blocks)

#### From Fabric F:

1. Cut two 6 1/2" strips; sub-cut four 6 1/2" x 14 1/2" strips. (Blocks)

#### From Fabric G:

 Cut six 1 1/2" strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut four 1 1/2" x 55 1/2" strips. (Borders)

#### From Fabric H:

- 1. Cut two 4 1/2" x 57 1/2" length of fabric strips. (Borders)
- 2. From the remaining fabric, cut two 4 1/2" x 63 1/2" strips, piece as needed. (Borders)

### Piecing Instructions:

#### **Block One**

- Sew one 2 1/2" x 21 3/4" C strip to each side of the 16 3/4" x 21 3/4" A rectangle. Sew one 2 1/2" x 20 3/4" C strip to the top and to the bottom of the A rectangle to make one Unit 1 rectangle (Figure 1). *Trim the unit to measure 19 1/2" x 24 1/2"*.
- 2. Sew one 1 1/2" x 24 1/2" D strip to each side of the Unit 1 rectangle. Sew one 1 1/2" x 21 1/2" D strip to the top and to the bottom of the Unit 1 rectangle to make one Unit 2 rectangle (Figure 2).
- 3. Sew one 1 1/2" x 26 1/2" E strip to each side of the Unit 2 rectangle. Sew one 1 1/2" x 23 1/2" E strip to the top and to the bottom of the Unit 2 rectangle to make the 23 1/2" x 28 1/2" Block One rectangle (Figure 3).



Figure 1 Unit 1 19 1/2" x 24 1/2" unfinished.



Figure 2 Unit 2



Figure 3 Block One 23 1/2" x 28 1/2" unfinished.

#### **Block Two**

- 4. Sew one 1 1/2" x 5" C strip to each end of one 8 1/2" x 5" B strip. Sew one 1 1/2" x 10 1/2" C strip to the top and to the bottom of the B strip to make one 10 1/2" x 7" Unit 3 rectangle (Figure 4). Repeat to make four Unit 3 rectangles total.
- 5. Sew one 1 1/2" x 7" D strip to each side of one Unit 3 rectangle. Sew one 1 1/2" x 12 1/2" D strip to the top and to the bottom of the Unit 3 rectangle to make one Unit 4 rectangle (Figure 5). Repeat to make four Unit 4 rectangles total.
- 6. Sew one 1 1/2" x 9" E strip to each side of one Unit 4 rectangle. Sew one 1 1/2" x 14 1/2" E strip to the top and to the bottom of the Unit 4 rectangle to make one 14 1/2" x 11" Block Two rectangle (Figure 6). Repeat to make four Block Two rectangles total.



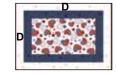




Figure 4
Make 4.

Figure 5 Make 4.

Figure 6
Make 4 Block Two.
14 1/2" x 11" unfinished.

#### **Block Three**

7. Sew one 2 1/2" x 8" E strip to each side of one 11 1/2" x 8" A rectangle. Sew one 2 1/2" x 15 1/2" E strip to the top and to the bottom of the A rectangle to make one Block Three rectangle (Figure 7). *Trim the block to measure* 14 1/2" x 11". Repeat to make a second Block Three rectangle.







Figure 7
Make 2 Block Three.

14 1/2" x 11" unfinished.

#### **Block Four**

8. Sew one 2 1/2" x 13 1/2" E strip to each side of one 11 1/2" x 13 1/2" A rectangle. Sew one 2 1/2" x 15 1/2" E strip to the top and to the bottom of the A rectangle to make one Unit 5 rectangle (Figure 8). *Trim the unit to measure 14 1/2" x 16 1/2"*. Repeat to make a second Unit 5 rectangle.





Figure 8 Make 2 Unit 5. 14 1/2" x 16 1/2" unfinished.

9. Sew one 14 1/2" x 6 1/2" F strip to the top and to the bottom of one Unit 5 rectangle to make one 14 1/2" x 28 1/2" Block Four rectangle (Figure 9). Repeat to make a second Block Four rectangle.





Figure 9
Make 2 Block 4.
14 1/2" x 18 1/2"
unfinished.

### Ouilt Assembly: Refer to Quilt Diagram

- 1. Sew together one Block Two rectangle, one 5" x 11" D strip, one Block Three rectangle, one 5" x 11" D strip and one Block Two rectangle, in that order from left to right, to make Row One. Repeat to make Row Three.
- 2. Sew together one Block Four rectangle, one Block One rectangle and one Block Four rectangle, lengthwise and in that order from left to right, to make Row Two.
- 3. Sew together Row One, one 2 1/2" x 51 1/2" D strip, Row Two, one 2 1/2" x 51 1/2" D strip and Row Three, lengthwise and in that order from top to bottom, to make the 51 1/2" x 53 1/2" Center Block.
- 4. Sew one 1 1/2" x 53 1/2" D strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew one 1 1/2" x 53 1/2" D strip to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block.
- 5. Sew one 1 1/2" x 55 1/2" G strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew one 1 1/2" x 55 1/2" G strip to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block.
- 6. Sew one 4 1/2" x 57 1/2" H strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew one 4 1/2" x 63 1/2" H strip to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block to make the quilt top.

### Finishing:

- 1. Prepare backing using two widths of fabric with horizontal seam. Press seam open and trim to 71" x 73".
- 2. Layer quilt, batting, and backing. Baste layers together.
- 3. Quilt as desired.
- 4. Trim layers even with quilt top squaring corners.
- Join seven 2 1/2" C binding strips with diagonal seams. Press seams open. Attach binding using your favorite method
- 6. Make a label and sew to the back of quilt.



Quilt Diagram

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\*Fabrics used in quilt †Backing