

Blooming Berries Quilt

40" x 40"

by Karen Bennett



featuring fabric from Leanika collection
by Dena Designs

Free Spirit 

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NOTE: This quilt is fat quarter friendly.

Finished quilt size: 40" X 40"

Fabric and Notion Requirements:

Quilt Center: 1/4 yd of each fabric

DF 58 Grey
DF 53 Sapphire
DF 55 Green
DF 54 Blue
DF 52 Pink
DF 49 Aqua
DF 59 Blue
DF 48 Grey
DF 48 Pink

Berries: DF 65 Brown 1/2 yd

Binding: DF 58 Grey 1/2 yd

Backing: DF 48 1 1/3 yds.

Rick Rack: 2 yds extra wide hot pink

Basting Glue

Cutting your fabric:

***If you are using fat quarters cut along the 21" side to make your center strips. Cut (2) strips from each fabric.**

Quilt Center:

Cut: (1) 7.5" X WOF strip from each of the (9) center fabrics

Placing the selvage ends together, fold each strip in half. Barely cut off the fold. You will now have (2) strips each 7.5" X 21".

Fold (1) of the 7.5" X 21" strips in half again and barely cut off the fold. You now have (2) strips each 7.5" X 10.5".

Berries:

Cut: (7) berries from the template. You will need to add seam allowances if you are turning the edges under.

Binding:

Cut enough **bias** 2.25" strips to equal 180" when sewn together

Sewing the Quilt Center:

1. Lay out (6) vertical rows of strips, each row equaling a total of (2) 7.5" X 21" strips. Refer to the quilt picture for ideas.
2. Sew each vertical row together. Try to arrange strips so that the horizontal seams on adjacent rows do not match. Press seams.
3. Sew the rows together to form the quilt center. Press seams either direction.
4. Appliqué the (7) brown berries onto the quilt top. Refer to quilt photograph for placement.
5. Place the rick-rack to connect the berries, giving the allusion of a stem. Do not tuck the rick-rack under the berries. Baste the rick-rack and have your machine quilter sew it down.

Layer, quilt, and bind.

Sample made from Leanika, Dena Designs. Distributed by Free Spirit/ Westminster Fibers

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