

Flight of the Hippie Butterfly



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Finished Quilt 51½" x 51½"
Block Size 8" finished

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

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Fabric Requirements

Lime Hippie Flower 2/3 yard
Lavender Hippie Flower 1/3 yard
Fuchsia Spring Dot 3/4 yard
Lavender Spring Dot 1/3 yard
Fuchsia Potpourri Stripe 1/4 yard
Fuchsia Flight Pattern 3/4 yard
Fusible web 5x20"
Backing 3 1/2 yards
Binding 1/4 yard

Cutting

WOF = Width of fabric

Lime Hippie Flower

(6) 1 1/2" x WOF

(5) 2 1/2" x WOF

Lavender Hippie Flower

(8) 1 1/2" x WOF

Fuchsia Spring Dot

(4) 2 1/2" x WOF

(6) 1 1/2" x WOF

Subcut (1) strip to (8) 1 1/2" x 4 1/2"

(1) 4 1/2" x WOF

Subcut (1) strip to (28) 1 1/2" x 4 1/2"

Lavender Spring Dot

(3) 3 1/2" x WOF

Cut to (32) 3 1/2" squares

Fuchsia Potpourri Stripe

(4) 2" x WOF

Fuchsia Flight Pattern

(5) 5 1/2" x WOF

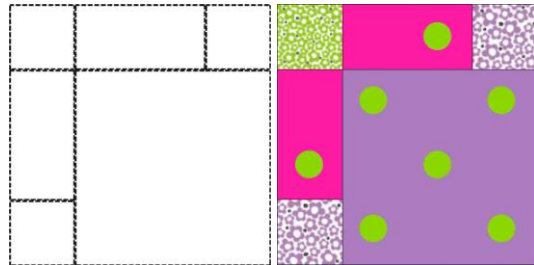
Stitching

Each block is made up of 4 patches, two of each. To avoid having to play with tiny pieces these instructions use chain piecing, and tricks to make the blocks easier, faster and, I find, more accurate.

Since there is only one block I've named the patches A and B. To help keep you organized I suggest doing one patch, setting it aside, and then doing the other one. Once

all patches are done then stitch them into the blocks.

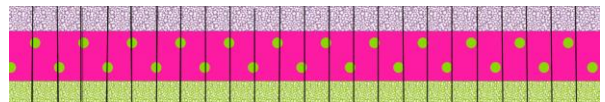
Patch A



Take (1) 1 1/2" x WOF strip of Lavender Hippie Flower and stitch it lengthwise to the 2 1/2" x WOF strip of Fuchsia Spring Dot. Take the 1 1/2" x WOF of Lime Hippie Flower and stitch it lengthwise to the Fuchsia Spring Dot. Press away from the Fuchsia Spring Dot. Repeat so you have two of these strips.



Lay out the piece and cut into 1 1/2" strips. A total of 32 are needed.



Set aside.

Take (1) 1 1/2" x WOF strip of Lavender Hippie Flower and stitch it lengthwise to the 2 1/2" x WOF strip of Fuchsia Spring Dot.



Press away from the Fuchsia Spring Dot. Repeat so you have two of these strips.

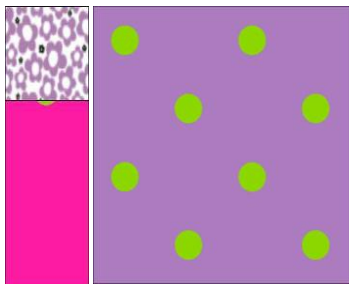
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Lay out the piece and subcut into 1 ½” strips. A total of 32 are needed.



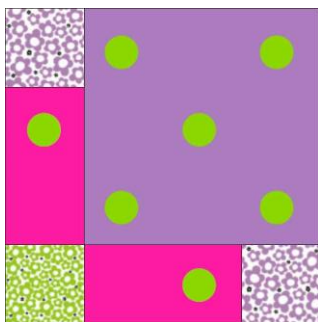
Now it's time to stitch this patch together.

Take the 3 ½” square and sew the Fuchsia Spring Dot and Lavender Hippie Flower to one side. Press towards the square.

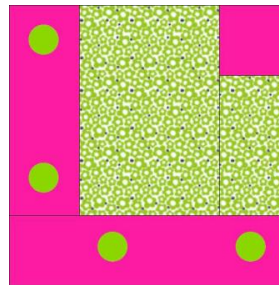
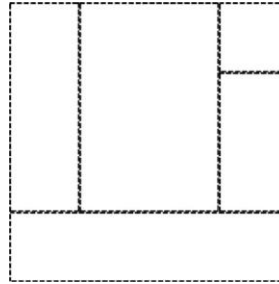


Take the remaining piece and stitch to the bottom. Press.

Your patch should look like this.



Patch B



Stitch (1) 2 ½” x WOF strip of Lime Hippie Flower lengthwise to (1) 1 ½” x WOF strip of Fuchsia Spring Dot. Press. Repeat so that you have 2 of these strips.



Layout and subcut into 1 ½” strips. A total of 32 are needed.

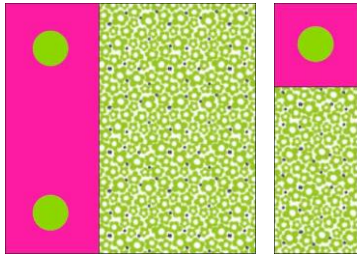
Stitch (1) 1 ½” x WOF strip of Fuchsia Spring Dot lengthwise to (1) 2 ½” x WOF of Lime Hippie Flower. Press. Repeat so you have 3 strips.



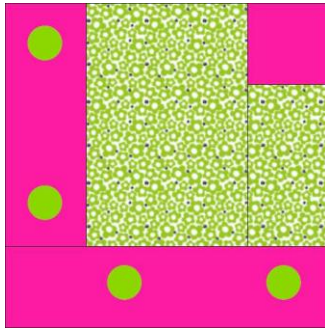
Subcut into 3 ½” strips. A total of 32 are needed.

Stitch the two pieces together with the Lime Hippie Flower touching.

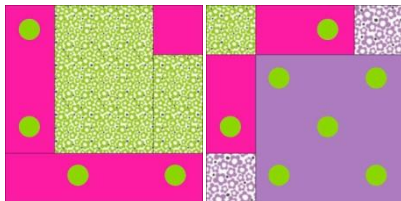
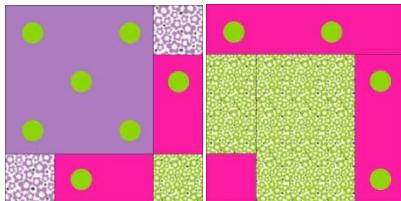
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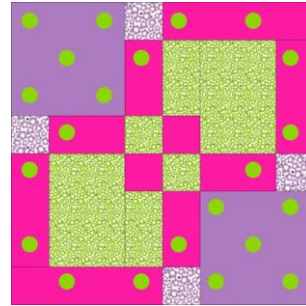
Stitch the 1 1/2" x 4 1/2" Fuchsia Spring Dot strips to the bottom of the patch.



And Patch B is done!
Now lay out the patches to create the full block.

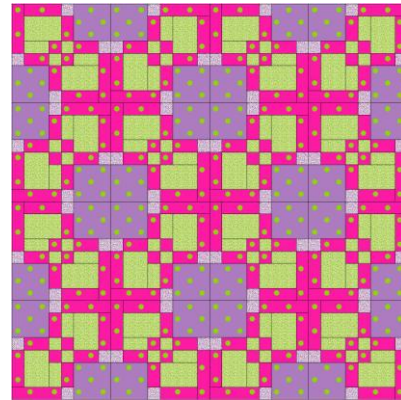


Stitch together top pieces. Press.
Stitch together bottom patches. Press.
Stitch bottom and top together. Press.



Repeat so that you have 16 blocks.

Layout in a 4 x 4 grid as shown., making sure to alternate directions to create the chain.



Appliqué

From your favorite brand of fusible web cut out (4) 5" squares. Following the manufactures directions fuse to the back of the Fuchsia Flight Pattern fabric, making sure that a different colored butterfly is in the middle of each square.

Cut out around the butterfly, making sure that at least some white is showing to frame the butterfly. Fuse one butterfly to the center of each the squares formed by the blocks, making sure they are facing in the proper directions. Using a small zigzag stitch around each of the cutouts.

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Borders

Measure your top well. So your borders lay flat go with your measurements for the border if they are different from the pattern.

Border #1 (4)1 ½" x WOF of the Lime Hippie Flower

Trim 2 of the 1 ½" strips to the length you measured your top to be. It should be 32 ½". Attach to the top and bottom and press towards the strip. Trim the remaining 2 strips to 35". Attach on the sides and again press to the strips.

Border #2 (4)2" x WOF of the Fuchsia Potpourri Stripe

Trim 2 of the 2" strips to 35". Attach to the top and bottom of the quilt top. Press towards the center. Trim the remaining 2 strips to 38 ½". Attach to the sides and press towards the center.

Border # 3 (4)1 ½" x WOF Lavender Hippie Flower

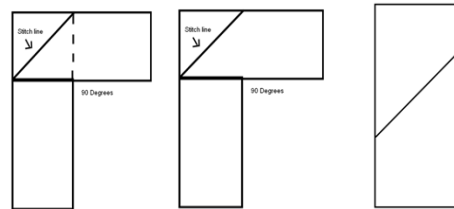
Trim 2 of the 1 ½" strips to the length you measured your top to be. It should be 38 ½". Attach to the top and bottom and press towards the strip. Trim the remaining 2 strips to 41". Attach on the sides and again press to the strips.

Border #4 5 ¼" x WOF

Cut 1 strip in half. Using the flip and stitch method attach the half strip to one full strip.

Flip and Stitch

Place strips right sides together at a 90 degree angle and stitch from one corner to the other. Open and press well. Trim to a ¼" seam allowance.



Trim to 51" and set aside for the sides. Trim 2 strips to 41" and attach to the top and bottom and press towards the strip.

Attach the 51" strips to the sides and press to the strips.



Now for the most loved/hated words in quilting, "Quilt as Desired!"