

# Maisy Quilt 

Introducing Andover Fabrics new collection: Maisy by Lucy Cousins © 2009
Quilt designed by Gail Kessler
Quilt made by Louise Horkey and quilted by Jan Crandall

## Planning

Quilt finishes 56" x 56"

Everyone's favorite little mouse, Maisy, takes center stage in this charming quilt just the right size to hang on a wall or snuggle under at naptime. Fussy cut the alphabet print so that the ABC's march around the quilt in order. Extra surprises are the seven "books" that open up to reveal a novelty panel inside.

## Fabric Requirements \& Cutting Directions

Note: Borders are cut the exact lengths required plus $1 / 4$ " seam allowances. WOF designates the width of fabric from selvedge to selvedge (approximately 42" wide).
[Numbers in brackets refer to fabrics in quilt diagram.]

| [1] 4195-M | 1 panel Maisy Novelty Print (book piecing) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Cut (14) | $7^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares (7 fussy cut for covers and 7 for book pages) |
| [2] 4196-M | $3 / 4$ yard Bright Alphabet Print (border 1) |
| Cut (4) | borders 4" $\times 32$ ", fussy-cut crosswise as shown in quilt |
| [3] *4197-M | $3 / 4$ yard My Friend Maisy Print (book piecing) |
| Cut (7) | $71 / 2$ squares, fussy cut for inside covers |
| [4] 4198-M | 13/4 yards Rainbow Stripe (border 3, border 1 corners, piecing) |
| Cut (2) | borders $51 / 21 \times 56 "$, cut lengthwise |
| Cut (2) | borders $51 / 21 \times 46 "$, cut lengthwise |
| Cut (5) | $71 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$ squares |
| Cut (4) | 4" squares for border 1 corners |
| [5] 4199-B | $5 / 8$ yard Blue Strings of Dots (piecing, binding) |
| Cut (6) | strips $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{x}$ WOF for binding |
| Cut (1) | 4" $\times 71 / 2$ " rectangle |
| Cut (5) | 4" squares |
| [6] 4199-M | $3 / 8$ yard White Strings of Dots (pieced border 2) |
| Cut (24) | 4" squares |
| [7] 4200-G | $1 / 8$ yard Green with White Daisies (piecing) |
| Cut (1) | $4 " \times 11$ " rectangle |
| Cut (4) | 4 4 squares |

[8] 4200-R $\quad 1 / 8$ yard Red with White Daisies (piecing)
Cut (1) $4^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle
Cut (6) 4 " squares
[9] 4201-B $\quad 1 / 4$ yard White with Blue Stars Print (pieced border 2)
Cut (12) 4' squares
[10] 4201-Y $1 / 4$ yard White with Yellow Stars Print (pieced border 2)
Cut (12) $4^{\prime \prime}$ squares
[11] 4202-P $1 / 8$ yard Purple Check (piecing)
Cut (3) $\quad 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares
[12] 4202-Y $1 / 8$ yard Yellow Check (piecing)
Cut (1) $4 " \times 11 "$ rectangle
Cut (4) $4^{\prime \prime}$ squares

* Additional fabric required for backing.
*4197-M 33/8 yards My Friend Maisy Print (backing)
Cut and piece to fit quilt top with $4^{\prime \prime}$ overlap on all sides.


## Making the "Book" Blocks

1. Each of the 7 book blocks is made with 3 fussy-cut $71 / 2$ " squares: a "What are you doing Maisy? panel for the outer cover, My Friend Maisy print for the inside front cover, and the panel that shows what Maisy is doing for the "page" that is revealed when the cover is pulled back. Cut each panel carefully.
2. With right sides together, stitch 3 sides of a front cover and an inside front cover panel together using a $3 / 8 "$ seam allowance. This extra-wide seam will allow you to piece the book block into the quilt later. Be sure to leave the correct side unstitched (Diagram 1). Trim the corners to reduce bulk and turn the cover right side out. Press flat, pushing out corners. Repeat to make 7 covers.


Diagram 1
3. With right sides all facing up, center the unstitched left side of the pieced cover on the left edge of the $71 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Maisy panel square (Diagram 2). Baste along the left edge. Repeat to make 7 book blocks. Set aside.


Diagram 2

## Making \& Assembling the Quilt

4. Refer to Diagram 3. Carefully watching orientation and placement of book blocks and rainbow stripe patches, sew the patches together into larger units, and then join the units in 3 vertical rows. Join the rows. The left side of each book block is stitched into a seam when patches are joined. Be careful that the other edges of the book blocks don't get caught in the seams.

5. Sew an alphabet print border to opposite sides of the quilt. Sew a rainbow stripe 4" square to ends of 2 alphabet borders, and sew to the top and bottom.
6. Join the white with dots patches, the white with blue stars patches, and the white with yellow stars patches in the order shown to make border 2 . Sew shorter pieced borders to sides and longer pieced borders to top and bottom.
7. Sew shorter rainbow stripe borders to sides and longer borders to top and bottom.

## Finishing the Quilt

8. Layer quilt with batting and backing. Quilt in the ditch around borders and block patches. Bind to finish the quilt.


Row C

Diagram 3


Quilt Diagram

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