## Tender Romance

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Love Letters
Quilt Design:
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Quilt Size: 57" x 72"
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Featuring Andover Fabrics new Collection: Tender Romance by Renee Nanneman

## Quilt finished 57" x 72"

## Cutting Directions

Note: Read assembly directions before cutting patches. Borders are cut to exact length required plus $1 / 4$ " seam allowance. WOF designates the width of fabric from selvedge to selvedge (approximately 42 " wide).

Fabric A Cut (2) $61 / 2$ " x WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (12) $61 / 2 "$ squares.
Cut (1) $31 / 2$ " x WOF strip. Sub-cut the strip into (6) $31 / 2$ " squares.

Fabric B $\quad$ Cut (2) $61 / 2 " \times$ WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (12) $61 / 2$ " squares. Cut (2) $31 / 2$ " x WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (24) $31 / 2$ " squares.

## Fabric C

Fabric D

Fabric E

Fabric F

Fabric G

Fabric H
Cut (4) $31 / 2 " \times$ WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (48) $31 / 2$ " squares.
Cut (2) $41 / 4$ " x WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (14) $41 / 4$ " squares. Cut the squares across both diagonals to make (56) triangles. You will only use (54) triangles.
Cut (1) $31 / 2$ " $\times$ WOF strip. Sub-cut the strip into (12) $31 / 2$ " squares.

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Fabric Requirements

Fabric A blocks
Fabric B blocks
Fabric C blocks
Fabric D blocks, binding
Fabric E blocks
Fabric F blocks
Fabric G blocks
Fabric H blocks
Fabric I blocks
Fabric J blocks, borders
Fabric K borders
Fabric L borders
Backing

## Fabric I

Fabric J

Fabric K

## Backing

Cut (4) $31 / 2 " \times$ WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (48) $31 / 2$ " squares.

Cut (4) $3^{1 / 2}$ " x WOF strips. Sub-cut the strips into (48) $3^{1 / 2}$ " squares.
Cut (4) 2 " x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 2 " x $691 / 2 "$ strips.
Cut (3) 2 " x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 2 " x $571 / 2 "$ strips.

Cut (2) $3^{1 / 2 "} \times 73^{\prime \prime}$ strips from the length of fabric (LOF).
Cut (2) $3^{1 / 2 "} \times 58^{\prime \prime}$ LOF strips.
Cut (24) $61 / 2 "$ squares from remaining fabric.
Fabric L Cut (4) 2" x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 2 " x $601 / 2$ " strips.
Cut (3) 2 " x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 2 " x $481 / 2 "$ strips.

Cut (2) 65" x WOF strips. Sew the strips together and trim to make (1) 65 " x 80 " backing.

## Making the Quilt

## 1. Block Assembly

Place (1) $3^{1 / 2 "}$ Fabric G square on the top left corner of (1) $61 / 2 "$ Fabric A square, right sides together (Diagram 1). Sew across the diagonal of the smaller square from the upper right corner to the lower left corner (Diagram 1). Flip open the triangle formed and press (Diagram 2). Trim away the excess fabric from behind the triangle $1 / 4$ " away from the sewn seam.


Diagram 1


Diagram 2
2. Follow Diagram 3 for the seam direction to add a $3^{1 / 2}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric J square to the upper right corner, a $31 / 2$ " Fabric I square to the lower left corner and a $31 / 2$ " Fabric H square to the lower right corner of the $61 / 2$ " Fabric A square to make (1) A block (Diagram 4).


Diagram 3


Diagram 4
3. Repeat Steps 1-2 to make (12) A blocks total.
4. Repeat Steps $1-2$ using (12) $61 / 2 "$ Fabric B squares, (12) $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric G squares, (12) $31 / 2$ " Fabric J squares, (12) $31 / 2$ " Fabric I squares and (12) $31 / 2 /$ Fabric H squares to make (12) B blocks (Diagram 5).
5. Repeat Steps $1-2$ using (24) $61 / 2$ " Fabric K squares, (24) 3 1/2" Fabric G squares, (24) $31 / 2 "$ Fabric $J$ squares, (24) $31 / 2$ " Fabric I squares and (24) $31 / 2$ " Fabric H squares to make (24) K blocks (Diagram 6).
make 24

Diagram 6



Diagram 5
6. Sew (2) Fabric C triangles, (1) Fabric D triangle and (1) Fabric E triangle together to make (1) C block (Diagram 7). Repeat to make (54) C blocks total.
make 54


Diagram 7
7. Sew (1) $31 / 2$ " Fabric F square to the left side of (1) C block to make (1) FC strip (Diagram 8). Repeat to make (12) FC strips total.
8. Sew (1) $3^{1 / 2 "}$ Fabric E square to the left side of (1) C block to make (1) EC strip (Diagram 9). Repeat to make (12) EC strips total.
make 12


Diagram 8
make 12


Diagram 9
9. Sew (1) $31 / 2 "$ Fabric B square to the left side of (1) C block to make (1) BC strip
(Diagram 10). Repeat to make (24) BC strips total.
make 24

10. Sew (2) A blocks, (2) B blocks, (2) EC strips, (2) FC strips and (1) $3^{1 / 2}$ " Fabric A square to make (1) Block One (Diagram 11). Repeat to make (6) Block Ones total.
11. Sew (4) K blocks, (4) BC strips and (1) C block together to make (1) Block Two (Diagram 12). Repeat to make (6) Block Twos total.


Block Two make 6


Diagram 12

## Quilt Top Assembly:

(Refer to the Quilt Layout when assembling the quilt top.)
12. Sew (1) Block One to each side of (1) Block Two to make Row One. Repeat to make Row Three.
13. Sew (1) Block Two to each side of (1) Block One to make Row Two. Repeat to make Row Four.
14. Sew the (4) rows together, in numerical order, to make the quilt top.
15. Sew (1) 2 " $\times 60^{1 / 2 "}$ Fabric $L$ strip to each side of the quilt top. Sew (1) $2^{\prime \prime} \times 481 / 2 "$ Fabric L strip to the top and to the bottom of the quilt top.
16. Center (1) $3^{1 / 2 "} x^{\prime} 73^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric K strip on one side of the quilt top and pin in place. Start sewing the strip a $1 / 4$ " from the top edge of the quilt top and stop a $1 / 4 "$ from the bottom edge. DO NOT TRIM THE EXCESS. Repeat with the opposite side.

1\%. Repeat Step 16 to sew (1) $31 / 2 " \times 58^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric K strip to the top and to the bottom of the quilt top, making sure to stop and start $1 / 4$ " away from each end of the quilt top. To miter each corner, fold the quilt top on a diagonal, wrong side together. This should line up the strips from adjacent sides (Diagram 13).
18. Starting at the sewn seam (represented by the arrow in Diagram 13), draw a 45-degree line to the edge of the fabric. Sew on the drawn line. Trim the excess fabric leaving a $1 / 4$ " seam. Repeat this step with the remaining


Diagram 13 corners.
19. Sew (1) $2 " \times 691 / 2 "$ Fabric J strip to each side of the quilt top. Sew (1) 2 " x $571 / 2$ " Fabric J strip to the top and to the bottom of the quilt top.

## Finishing the Quilt

20. Layer and quilt as desired.
21. Sew the (7) $21 / 2$ " $x$ WOF Fabric D strips together, end to end with a 45 -degree seams, to make the binding. Fold this long strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press.
22. Bind as desired.


Quilt Layout

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