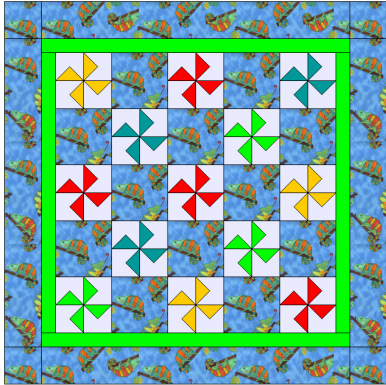


3-D Pinwheels Baby Quilt

This 41" square quilt features a lively focus fabric and 6" blocks, but can be adapted to a favorite theme — cowboys, jungle animals, fire trucks, etc. Let your imagination go wild! It's quick to sew and can easily be completed in a weekend. Be sure to read through the set-up instructions carefully before you begin.



Fabric Requirements:

- 1 yard focus fabric
- 1/4 yard ea: 4 bright coordinating fabrics for pinwheels
- 1/4 additional yard of one bright for inner border
- 2/3 yard background fabric
- 1-1/3 yards backing fabric
- Crib-size batting (or 44" x 44") of your choice

Cutting

From focus fabric:

- Cut (2) 6-1/2" strips WOF. Subcut into (12) 6-1/2" squares.
- Cut (4) 4-1/2" strips WOF for outer border. Subcut two at 33-1/2" and two at 41-1/2".

From Background fabric:

- Cut (5) 3-1/2" strips width of fabric (WOF).
- Subcut into (52) 3-1/2" squares.

From coordinating pinwheel fabrics:

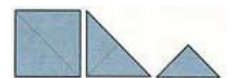
- Cut (1) 3-1/2" strip from three of the fabrics. Subcut each into (12) 3-1/2" squares.
- Cut (2) 3-1/2" strips from the remaining fabric. Subcut into (16) 3-1/2" squares.
- (you should have 52 squares total)

From 1/4 additional yard for inner border:

- Cut (4) 1-1/2" strips WOF. Subcut two at 30-1/2" and two at 33-1/2".

Set-up Instructions

1. Fold each of the coordinating pinwheel fabric squares in half diagonally and press. Then, repeat the fold so you have a quarter-square triangle, and press again. You should have 52 double-folded triangles.



2. Pin each folded triangle to a background square time. Assemble 4 matching unit A's for each block.



(unit A). Do not sew anything at this

3. Lay out 4 matching unit A's at a time to form a pinwheel block, to see it visually laid out (refer to full image block image below). At this stage, you have not sewn anything, only pinned the folded triangles to each background square.

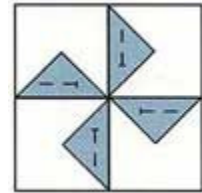
Sewing instructions

Sew with a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

1. Carefully match two unit A's right-side together. The triangles should nest together on the center diagonal side. Sew along the bottom edge. This secures one folded triangle along its long edge and catches the second just at the corner. Gently press seam away from the triangle. This is unit B. You will have 26 unit B's.



2. Sew matching unit B's together to form the overall pinwheel block. Remove pins and press seams. You should have 13 pinwheel blocks.



3. Lay out the pinwheel blocks and the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square focus fabric blocks into a pleasing combination. You should have 5 rows of alternating blocks (13 pinwheel blocks and 12 setting blocks). Sew into rows. Sew rows together to form inner quilt top. At this stage, the quilt should measure $30\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

4. Sew inner border to left and right sides of quilt. Press. Then sew to top and bottom. Quilt should measure $33\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

5. Repeat border sewing instructions for the outer border. Overall quilt should measure 41" square.

You can modify these instructions to add more borders, increase the width of top and bottom borders for a rectangular quilt, add matching corner blocks, or add more pinwheel blocks to make it larger. Experiment with different sizes of pinwheel blocks. It's as simple as taking a square block, matching it to a background square of the same size, and then folding and sewing it up! Have fun!

