



Marigold Days

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70" x 90"

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Fabric Requirements

Background – 1 7/8 yards

Dark Brown – 1 1/4 yards

Green – 2/3 yard

Red – 3/4 yard

Gold – 1 yard

Sashing Green – 1 1/4 yards

Outer Border – 1 1/8 yards

Backing – 5 3/4 or 2 1/4 of 108" wide backing

Queen-Sized Batting – 90" x 108"

Binding – 2/3 yard

Cutting Instructions

From the background fabric, cut:

(6) 5" x Width of Fabric (WOF) strips, subcut into:

(48) 5" x 5"

(6) 4 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 4 1/2" x 4 1/2"

From the dark brown fabric, cut:

(6) 5" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 5" x 5"

(4) 1 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(96) 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"

From the green fabric, cut:

(3) 4 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"

(3) 1 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2"

From the red fabric, cut:

(6) 3 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 3 1/2" x 4 1/2"

From the gold fabric, cut:

(5) 3 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

(2) 2 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(32) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

(2) 1 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(48) 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"

From the sashing green fabric, cut:

(16) 2 1/2" x WOF strips, subcut into:

(31) 2 1/2" x 18 1/2"

From the outer border fabric, cut:

(9) 4 1/2" x WOF strips

From the binding fabric, cut:

(9) 2 1/2" x WOF strips

Marigold Days Block



18 1/2" x 18 1/2" unfinished

Center Nine Patch

Sew a gold $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square to the end of a green $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and repeat to make 24. Then sew a green $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to the gold $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square and repeat to make 12.



Sew the rows together. Make 12 center nine patches.

Petal Units

Mark the wrong side of the dark brown $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares in half diagonally once. Lay two marked squares on diagonally opposite corners of a yellow $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



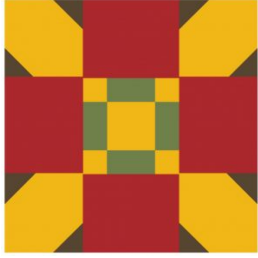
Sew on the marked lines. Trim a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance and press to make a petal unit. Repeat to make 48.

Block Center

Sew petal unit to ends of a red $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle. Pay attention to the orientation. Repeat to make 24 rows.



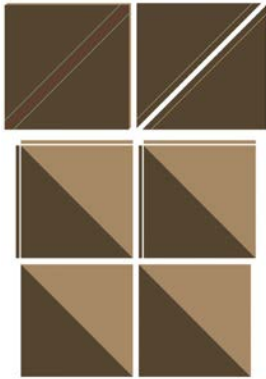
Sew a red $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to the sides of a center nine patch unit. Make 12 rows.



Sew the rows together to make 12 block centers.

Half Square Triangles (HST)

Mark the wrong side of the dark brown 5" squares in half diagonally once. Lay a background and marked 5" square right sides together. Sew 1/4" from both sides of the marked line. Cut on marked line to make 2 HST.



Press the HST and trim to 4 1/2" square. ([Click Here for a video tutorial of trimming HST.](#)) Repeat to make 96 HST.

Outer Block Rows

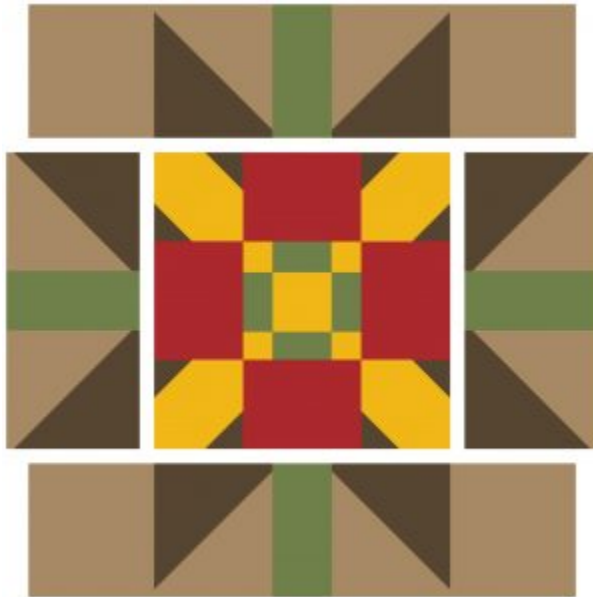
Sew an HST to the sides of a green 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle as shown below. Repeat to make 48 rows side rows.



Take half of the rows and add a background 4 1/2" square to the ends. Make 24 top and bottom rows.

Block Assembly

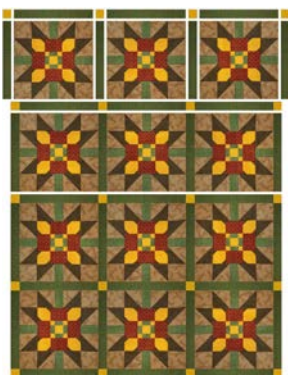
Sew side rows to left and right sides of the block center. Make 12.



Sew the top and bottom rows to the blocks. Make 12.

Sashing

With the remaining 20 gold $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and 15 sashing green $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, sew sashing rows with squares as shown on the top row. Make 5 sashing rows.



With the remaining sashing green strips and the blocks, make 4 block rows.

Sew the rows together to create the Marigold Days quilt center.

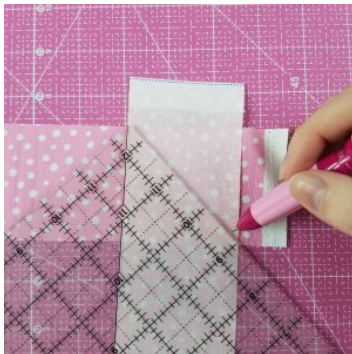
Borders

Sew the 9 outer border 4 ½" x WOF strips together into one long continuous piece using a diagonal seam as follows.

On a hard workspace, place a strip right side up horizontally with the tail (long ends) pointing towards your left. Lay another strip over the first strip at a 90-degree angle, right sides together, with the tail pointing towards you.



Place a ruler over the strips intersecting at a 45-degree angle as shown below and mark.

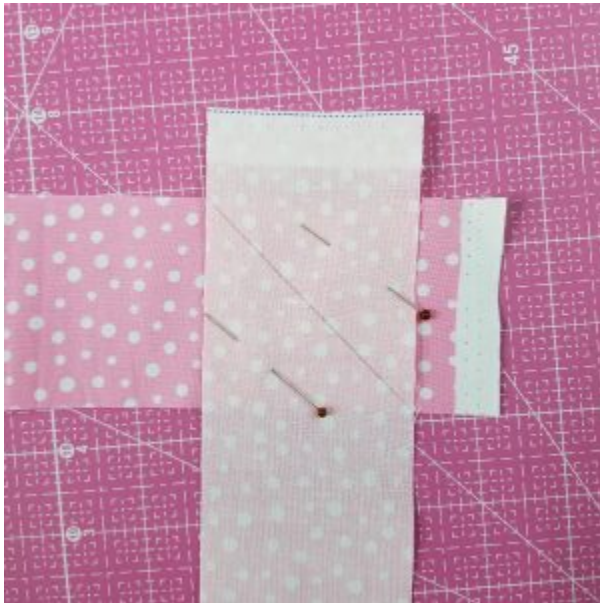


Pin the selvage ends and carefully fold the strip open following the marked line to check that the seam will create a long, continuous strip.



Once you have confirmed, replace the top strip over and secure with another

pin. Sew on the marked line and trim a 1/4" seam allowance. Repeat to sew all the strips together into a continuous strip.



Cut and sew the borders from the continuous strip using the following method:

Measure the quilt across the left side, right side, and through the long part of the center. Add the three measurements together and divide by 3. Cut two border strips this length. Start pinning from the center and sew the borders on with a 1/4" seam allowance. Press.

Repeat the measurement step, but this time measure the top, bottom, and through the short part of the center. Sew as before.



Finishing Touches

Layer the backing, batting and quilt top and baste using preferred method.

Once quilted, trim the edges even and square.

Bind using your preferred method.