



Hearts and Kisses



Approx. finished size: 38" by 44"
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Fabrics requirements:

25cm for the centres

A wide variety of scraps in light and dark for the logs

25 cm each of the 2 similar tones fabrics for the chimney stones/kisses

25cm for the heart appliqué

75cm for the border

25cm for the binding

Cutting Instructions

From the centre fabric cut 9 rectangles 4.5" x 6.5"

From the variety of lights and dark scraps cut strips at 1.5" wide by as long as you can

From the 2 similar toned fabrics for the chimney stones/kisses cut squares 1.5" - you will need 12 per block.

Workshop Notes

Construction: - refer to diagram below

Select 2 strips (A) and cut them to 6.5" – add one to each side of the centre rectangle.

Press seam away from the rectangle.

Select another 2 fabrics and cut them to 4.5" long (B) and then add cornerstone square to each end

Sew to the top and bottom of the centre rectangle.

Press seams away from the centre.

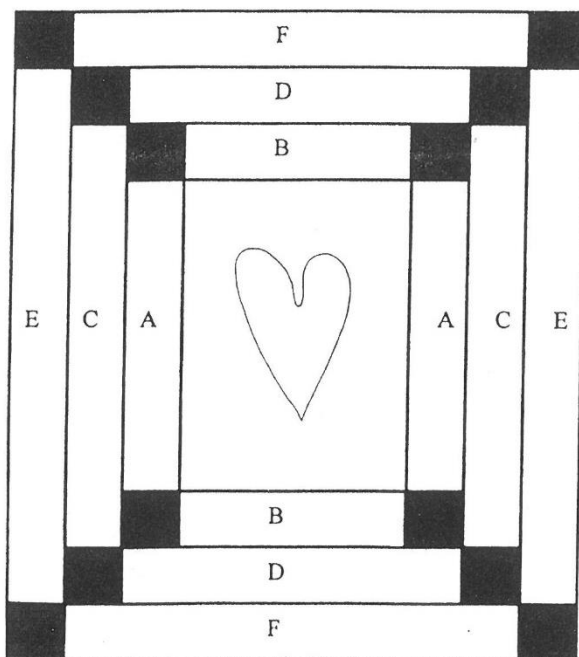
Measure – it should be 6.5" by 8.5" – if it's not, don't panic **BUT the following measurements should be adjusted to fit YOUR work.**

Using these measurements, select 2 fabrics and then fit the sides (C) and the top and bottom (D)

Sew strips C to the sides of your rectangle,

Add corner stones to both ends of your D strips and add to the top and bottom of your rectangles as before,

Repeat for one more round E & F – **again measure YOUR block before cutting strips to length.**



Make a total of 9 blocks.

Applique heart shapes (template at the end) to the centre of each panel by your preferred method - it's easier to manipulate these blocks now than when they are in the complete quilt.

Design note:

You could change the cornerstones used in the outside corners of the last round so that when they come together in the quilt they are not all the same.

Assembly:

Lay out the 9 completed blocks into a pleasing sequence – 3 across x 3 down and sew together in rows and then sew the rows together.

Add border:

Cut strips 4.5"

Measure across your quilt and cut two border strips to this length.

Sew across the top and the bottom; press border strips so they lay flat and then measure from the top to the bottom of your quilt to give you the right measurement for the side borders.

Design Note: You could add cornerstones.

You could also make this quilt using a feature fabric, lots of scrap and make more blocks.



You could also add sashing between the blocks with extra cornerstones.



To finish, you need to layer, quilt and bind.
Enjoy!

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