

## Scrappy Firework Quilts by Edyta Sitar for Laundry Basket Quilts

### Blueberry Farm Quilt (page 96)

Corrections appear in **RED**

#### Materials

48 assorted 1-1/2" x 21" light print and batik strips

48 assorted 1-1/2" x 21" dark print and batik strips

1-1/3 yards dark brown batik for blocks

2 yards beige print for blocks

3/4 yard brown print for sashing

1 yard mauve batik for sashing and binding

2-3/4 yards blue print for sashing and border

5-5/8 yards backing fabric

83" x 100" batting

Finished block: 19-1/2" square

Finished quilt: 77" x 93-1/2"

Quantities are for 40/44"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics. Measurements include 1/4" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise noted.

#### Cutting Diamonds

Trim end of a 4-1/2"-wide dark brown batik strip at a 45-degree angle. Place the 4-1/2" line of ruler along the angled edge of the strip. Cut along edge of ruler to make one diamond. Continue in this manner to cut a total of 48 diamonds from the strips.

#### Cut the Fabrics

From dark brown batik, cut:

10 – 4-1/2" x 42" strips; cut a total of forty-eight 4-1/2" diamonds from the strips (see Cutting Diamonds)

From beige print, cut:

48 – 6-1/4" squares

12 – 9-1/4" squares, cutting each diagonally in an X for a total of 48 triangles

From dark brown print, cut:

30 – 1-1/2" x 20" sashing strips

From mauve batik, cut:

15 – 1-1/2" x 20" sashing strips

8 – 1-3/4" x 42" binding strips

From blue print, cut:

2 – 3-1/2" x 93-1/2" vertical sashing strips

2 – 6-1/2” x 93-1/2” vertical border strips

From backing, cut:

2 – 42” x 100” rectangles

#### Assemble the Block

1. Sew together two light 1-1/2” x 21” and two dark 1-1/2” x 21” strips into a strip panel as shown, offsetting each strip by 1-1/4” and alternating the light and dark strips. Repeat to make 24 strip panels.

2. Cut 1-1/2”-wide segments at a 45-degree angle across the strip panels as shown, cutting eight from each panel for a total of 192 segments.

3. Lay out four segments as shown. Sew the segments together to complete one pieced diamond. Press seams in one direction. Repeat to make 48 pieced diamonds.

4. Lay out four pieced diamonds, four dark brown batik diamonds, four beige print 6-1/4” squares, and four beige print triangles as shown. Refer to 8-Pointed Star instructions on pages 6 – 11 to complete the block. Repeat to make 12 blocks.

#### Assemble the Quilt Top

1. Sew two dark brown print 1-1/2” x 20” strips and one mauve batik 1-1/2” x 20” strip as shown to make a horizontal sashing strip. Press seams toward mauve strip. Repeat to make 15 horizontal sashing strips.

2. Lay out four blocks and five horizontal sashing strips to create a vertical row. Sew the pieces together; press seams toward sashing. Repeat to make a total of three rows.

3. Referring to Quilt Top Assembly Diagram, sew the blue print 3-1/2” x 93-1/2” vertical sashing strips to the long edges of the rows to complete the quilt center. Press seams toward sashing strips.

4. Sew the blue print 6-1/2” x 93-1/2” border strips to the left and right edges of the quilt center. Press seams toward border.

#### Complete the Quilt

1. Sew together the 42” x 100” backing rectangles along one long edge, using a 1/2” seam allowance. Press the seam allowance open.

2. Layer quilt top, batting, and pieced backing.
3. Quilt as desired. A neutral thread was used to stitch a swirl pattern over the blocks and horizontal sashing and a cable design in the vertical sashing strips and border.
4. Bind with mauve batik binding strips, referring to the Binding instructions on pages 12 - 13.