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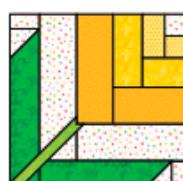
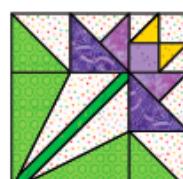
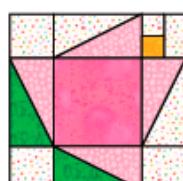
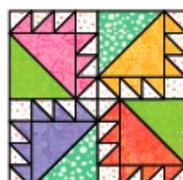
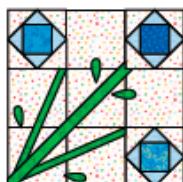
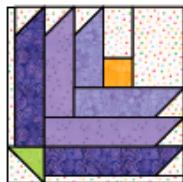
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By now you've collected the directions for all 12 of the flower blocks from the April 2010 FabShopHop. If you've stitched them up as you've found them, you're almost ready to assemble and finish your garden quilt. But first, you need a butterfly—no garden is complete without one! Make the Flutter By block and then sew your garden blocks together on point in this sashed setting—or create a garden setting of your own design.

Finished Quilt Size: Approx. 76" square

Finished Block Size: 12" square

Setting: 13 blocks on point with sashing and cornerstones



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Setting and Finishing Materials:

44/45" fabric*

*40" of usable fabric width

- 1 each of the (13) flower blocks from the April FabShopHop
- 1 yard aqua-blue print for sashing
- 1/4 yard yellow print for cornerstones and sashing triangles
- 1 yard* white background print for setting triangles
- 5/8 yards medium or dark green print for inner border

1 7/8 yards light green print for outer border
 3/4 yard dark green for binding
 7 1/4 yards for backing
 82" square of batting

***Note:** If you haven't made your floral blocks yet and want to use the same white background print in all of the blocks as well as for the setting triangles, purchase an additional 1 3/4 yards of that print for the block background pieces.

Cut the Pieces

Cut all strips across the fabric width.

Refer to Figure 1 for block piece identification.

Fabric	Piece	No. of Strips	Dimensions	No. to Crosscut	Dimensions
Aqua-blue print	Sashing strips	12	2 1/2" x 40"	36	2 1/2" x 12 1/12" strips
Yellow print	Cornerstones and sashing triangles	1	2 1/2" x 40"	12	2 1/2" squares
		1	2 7/8" x 40"	6	2 7/8" squares; cut once diagonally for 12 sashing triangles.
White background print	Side setting triangles	1	18 1/4" x 40	2	18 1/4" squares; cut twice diagonally for 8 triangles.
	Corner setting triangles	1	9 3/8" x 20"	2	9 3/8" squares; cut once diagonally for 4 triangles.
Medium or dark green print	Inner border	7	2 1/2" x 40"	NA	NA
Light green print	Outer border	9	6 1/2" x 40"	NA	NA
Dark green	Binding	9	2 1/2" X 40"	NA	NA
Backing		3	40" x 82" panels	NA	NA

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Assemble the Quilt Top

1. Arrange and sew together the sashing/cornerstone/triangle strips as shown in Figure 2. Press all seam allowances toward the sashing strips. Figure 1.

2. Arrange the sashing units from step 1 in the rows shown with the remaining sashing strips, the cornerstones, the flower blocks and the side setting triangles. Sew the pieces together in each row and press all seam allowances toward the sashing strips. Sew the resulting sashing units and block/sashing/side setting triangle rows together, and press all seam allowances toward the sashing. Add the corner setting triangles and press all seam allowances toward the sashing. Figure 2.

3. Sew the inner border strips together to make one long strip using diagonal seams. Press the seams open. Repeat with the outer border strips.

4. Refer to Figure 3 for the remaining assembly steps. Measure the quilt-top length through the center and cut 2 inner border strips to this measurement. Sew to opposite edges of the quilt top. Press the seam allowances toward the border strips. Measure the quilt-top width through the center and cut 2 inner border strips to this measurement. Sew to

the top and bottom edges of the quilt top. Press the seam allowances toward the inner border strips.

5. Repeat step 4 to measure for, cut, and sew the outer borders to the quilt top. Press the seam allowances toward the inner border strips.

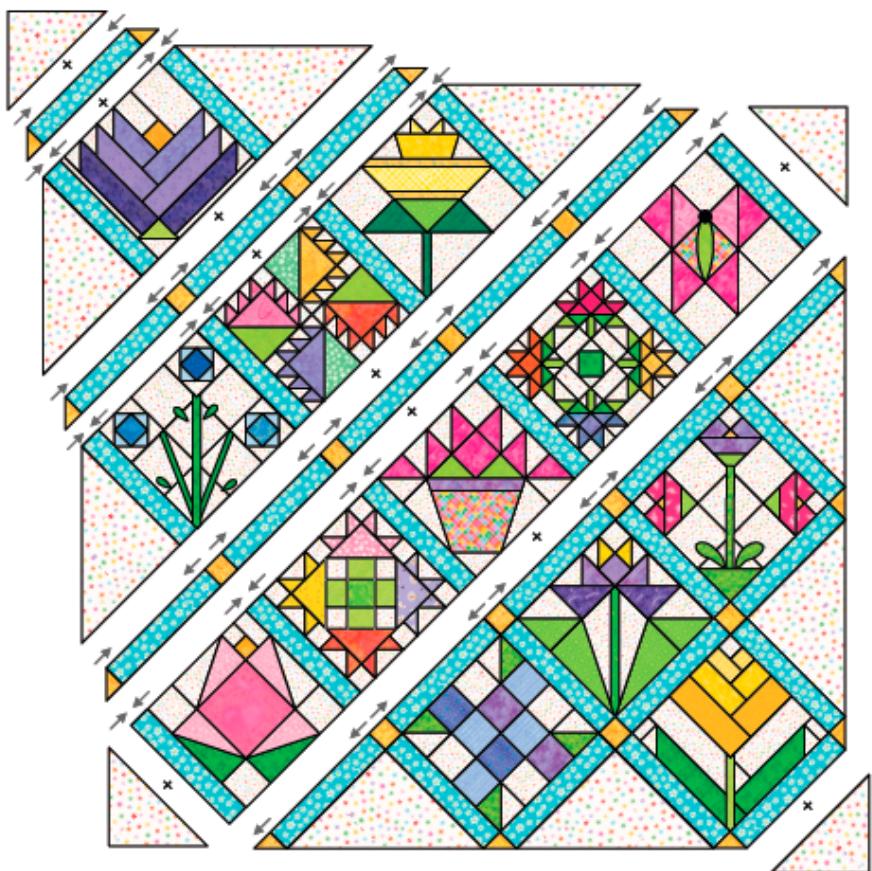


Figure 2

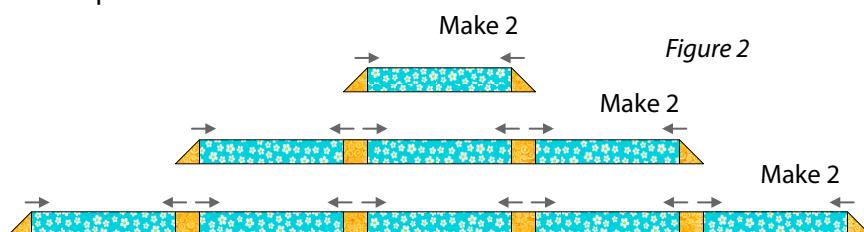


Figure 1



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Finish the Quilt

1. Sew the three backing panels together along the long edges and press the seam allowances toward the center panel. Trim to 82" square.
2. Layer the quilt top with batting and backing and pin- or hand-baste the layers together. Quilt as desired. Trim the excess batting and backing even with the quilt-top edges.
3. Sew the binding strips together with diagonal seams and press the seams open. Fold the strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides facing and press. Use the binding to finish the quilt edges with a 3/8"-wide finished binding. Miter the corners as you reach them.
4. Don't forget to add a label—and add a hanging sleeve if you wish to display your quilted garden for all to see.

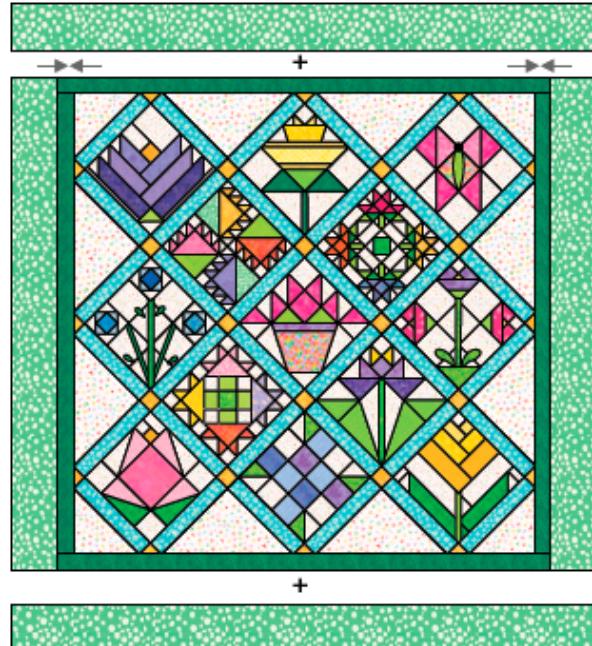


Figure 3

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