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Big Girl Quilt & Pillow by Megan Frock

Hello all! My name is Megan and I blog at Downtown Housewife {downtownhousewife.typepad.com}. I also work at the fabulous Sew Sweet Quilt Shop with my family {sewsweetquiltshop.com}. I was inspired by my niece Drake Lynn to make a quilt that would fit a toddler-sized bed. Enjoy!

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Ingredients:

Quilt:

2 charm packs
7/8 yard print for big inner border
1 1/2 yard print for final border and binding
(2) 1/2 yard cuts of a patterned print for scrappy inner borders
1/2 yard cut of a solid colored fabric
Quilt backing 53" x 65"
Quilt batting 53" x 65"

Pillow:

1 yard fabric (keep in mind how directional prints will lay out)
Scrap piece of fabric (2" x 43")

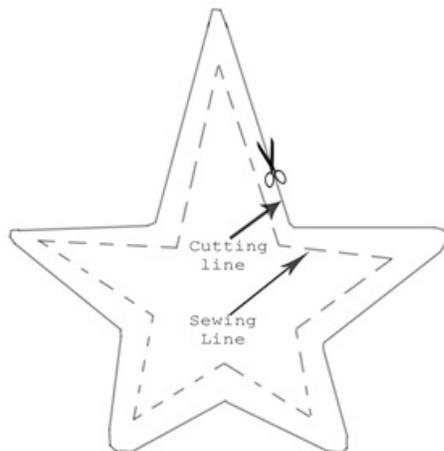
For Both:

Coordinating thread
Washable pen
Scissors and ruler or rotary cutter and cutting mat
Iron

Garnishes (optional):

1 1/4 yard pom pom trim for pillow case

Instructions:



Cut Your Pieces:

Cut 24 stars (prints of your choice) with the stencil included at the bottom of the tutorial. The stencil should be printed and sized to approximately 4 1/2". Each star is cut from one charm square. You may be one square short. If so, use an extra scrap piece.

Cut 4 (9 1/2" x 9 1/2") squares with the solid fabric.

Out of your 2 half yard patterned prints, cut 14 strips (13" x 2"), 7 of each print.

Use 6 charm squares to cut 12 strips (2" x 5").

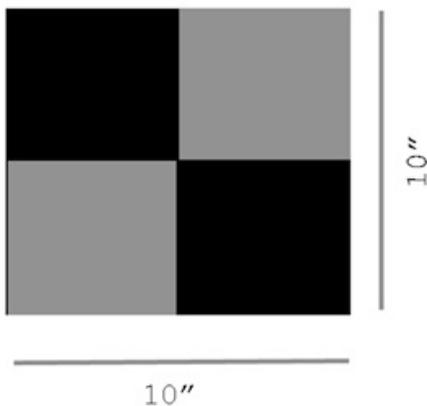
Cut 36 charm squares into half. This will give you 72 (2 1/2" x 2 1/2") strips.

For the big inner border, cut 2 strips (5" x 43"), 2 strips (9 1/2" x 43") and 4 (5" x 9 1/2") for the corner pieces.

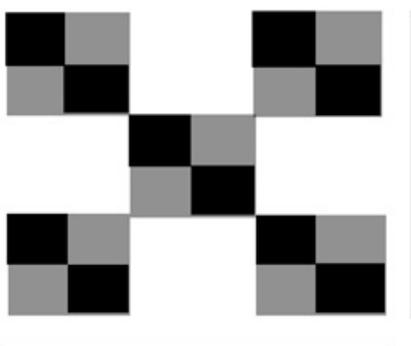
Cut 2 strips (6" x 53") for the final border.

Cut 5 (2" x width of fabric) strips for the binding.

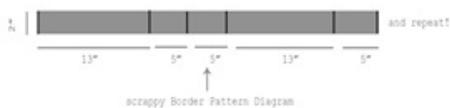
Begin Piecing: All seam allowances are 1/4".



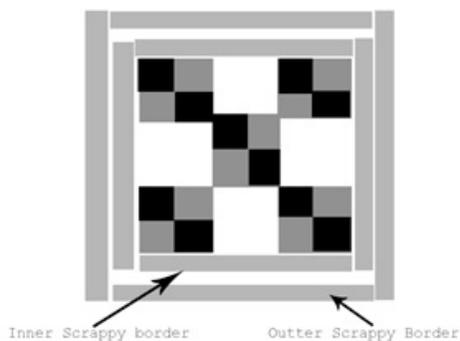
Begin by making 5 blocks made up of 4 charm squares each.



Once you have sewn your 5 blocks, lay them out with your 4 solid blocks and sew them all.



Next, sew together the scrappy border. This will be for the 2 thin inner borders. Together you will have 288" x 2". Once you have one long strip you will cut each of the 8 pieces as needed, as you go. I found this method easiest! Use the 14 (13" x 2") and 12 (5" x 2") pieces to make up your 288" following the diagram.



Next, take 2 stars and place one directly on top of the other, lining up all edges. Both stars should have the right sides of the fabric facing up. Next, sew both stars onto the quilt using one continuous set of stitches 1/4" from the edges of the star so that it has an unfinished edge in order to allow it to ravel. A stitching line is shown on the star stencil. Repeat with the other 3 stars.

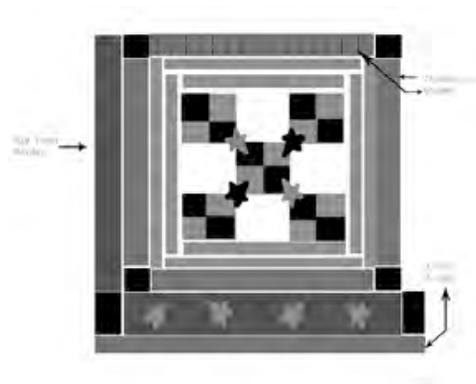
Note: One point of the star is longer, point the longest point of each toward the center of the middle block.

Next, sew the inside out border using the 72 (2 1/2" x 2 1/2") pieces. Simply sew 4 strips made up of 18 pieces each, making sure to place each piece of wrong sides together!

Once all 4 sides of the inside out border are attached, piece on charm square in each corner. This is a little tricky because these will be sewn with the wrong sides together also. The ends of each border strip may need to be trimmed before attaching the corner pieces if more than 1/4" is left on the end.

Next, sew and attach the bigger inner border. Begin by sewing 1 corner piece to the end of each of the 2 (5" x 43") strips. Attach the 2 (9 1/2" x 43") onto the top and bottom. Finish by sewing the 2 (5" x 43") with the corner pieces to each side.

On the top and bottom big inner border sew 4 evenly spaced stars. Attach them in the same manner as the first set of stars. Doubled stars with a 1/4" seam.



Finally, attach the final border pieces. They are the 2 (6" x 53") strips. Simply sew one to the top and bottom.

Finish The Quilt:

Quilt your pieced top, batting and backing together.

When finished, make your binding out of 2" strips and sew in place.

In order to get the shabby border and the stars to ravel, give the quilt a quick wash through the washer and dryer.

Make sure to add a cute label to personalize your quilt!

Pillow Case:

Cut the pillow body (43" x 33")

Cut the trim piece (2" x 43")

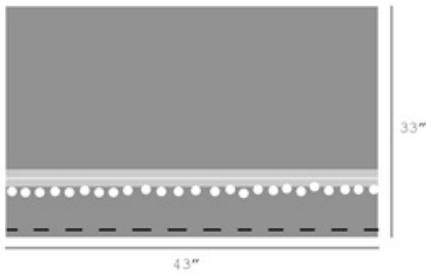


Begin by folding each side of the trim piece over long ways. Each raw edge will meet in the middle of the strip. Thus making the strip 1" x 43".

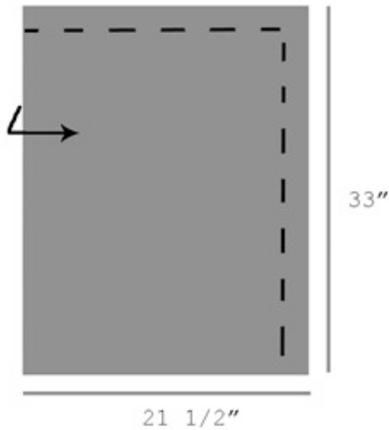


Layout the pillow material. On one 43" side, draw a line 6" up from the bottom. This will be the trim placement guideline while attaching the trim, if you prefer trim! Place the pom pom trim under the 1" trim strip and pin in place directly over the guideline drew in the previous step. Sew in place and consider adding a decorative stitch!

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After, fold and press the bottom seam under the stitch.



Next, fold the body piece in half with right sides together and sew the two unfinished edges. Finishing them by serging or using a zig zag stitch.

Yield:

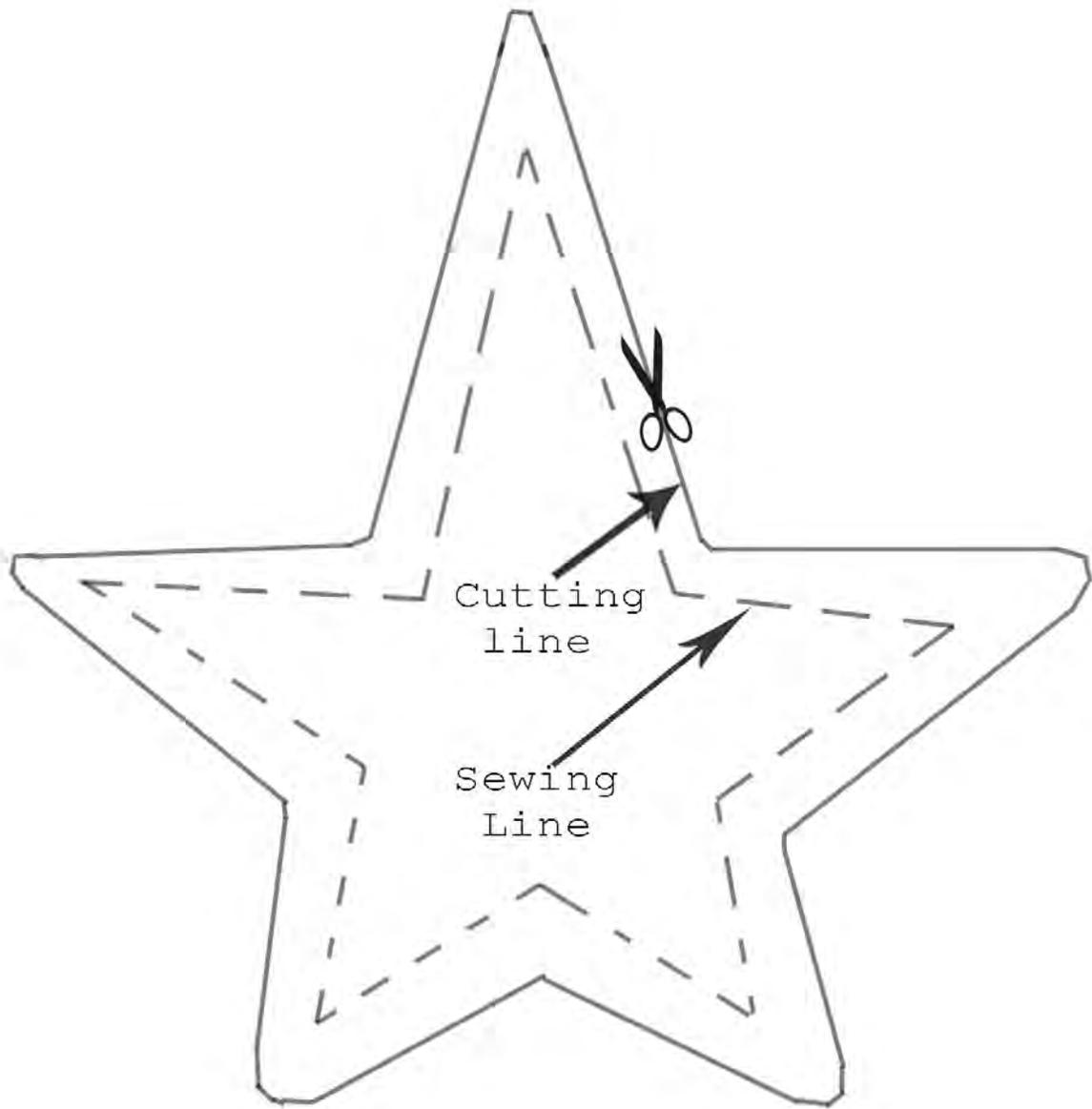
Quilt: 53" x 65"

Pillow case: 21 1/2 " x 33"

I hope your toddler will enjoy "The big girl quilt and pillow" as much as my niece. Although I must mention when I gave it to her she said, "Aw, but I wanted a pink one!" Too cute. You may want to ask your wee one for her of his fabric choices!

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