Makin' New Friends
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FINISHED SIZE: 59"x 73"
CUTTING

1 Panel-green bkgd.
Cut panel into blocks measuring 11"x13" with seams

Fabric 1 Dark Green Print
7 – 2½”x WOF strips for binding
1 – 2"x WOF strip
Subcut 12 – 2"x2" corner squares
6 – 1½”x WOF strips for inner border

Fabric 2 Dark Blue Print
1 – 2”x WOF strip
Subcut 12 – 2”x2” corner squares

Fabric 3 White Holly Print
8 – 2”x WOF strips
Subcut 12 – 2”x11" strips and
12 – 2”x13" strips for first panel block border

Fabric 4 Red Tonal
11 – 2½”x WOF strips
Subcut 12 – 2½”x14" strips and
12 – 2½”x20½" strips for second panel block border

Fabric 5 Red Santa Faces
Fussy Cut 22 – 2"x2" squares with Santa Face for 4-Patches. See diagram.

Fabric 6 Green Tree Print
Cut 3 – 2”x22” strips
Subcut 22 – 2”x2” squares for 4-Patch

Fabric 7 Red Bella Solid
20 – 1¼”x WOF strips
Subcut – 39 – 1¼”x22” strips for Strip Sets

Fabric 8 White Tonal
37 – 1¼”x WOF strips
Subcut – 39 – 1¼”x22” strips for Strip Sets and
18 – 1¼”x16½” strips for sashings
16 – 1¼”x18½” strips for sashings
1 – 3¼”x WOF strip
Subcut – 1 – 3½”x 6½” rectangle for date block

Fabric 9 Red Tree Print
First Cut:
2 – 6½” x Length of fabric border strips
Then Cut:
6 – 6½”x WOF (approx. 27”) strips from remainder for top and bottom borders

Fabric 10 Green Tree Print
Cut 3 – 2”x22” strips
Subcut 22 – 2”x2” squares for 4-Patch

Fabric 11 Red Bella Solid
20 – 1¼”x WOF strips
Subcut – 39 – 1¼”x22” strips for Strip Sets

Fabric 12 White Tonal
37 – 1¼”x WOF strips
Subcut – 39 – 1¼”x22” strips for Strip Sets and
18 – 1¼”x16½” strips for sashings
16 – 1¼”x18½” strips for sashings
1 – 3¼”x WOF strip
Subcut – 1 – 3½”x 6½” rectangle for date block

Fabric 13 Red Santa Faces
Fussy Cut 22 – 2”x2” squares with Santa Face for 4-Patches. See diagram.
**Construction**

**4-Patch Corner Blocks – Make 11**

1. Join 1-2”x2” Fabric 5 square and 1–2”x2” Fabric 6. Press toward red.
Then join 1–2”x2” Fabric 6 square and 1–2”x2” Fabric 5.
Press toward red. Join units to make 4-patch. See diagram.

**Checkerboard Sashings – Make 17**

*Make the following Strip Sets. Press all seams toward red.*

*Hint: To avoid curves and distortion when working with multiple strips, press with a dry iron and sew alternate strips in opposite directions – i.e. stitch first set of strips from the left, then the next strip from the right and so on.*

- 3 – Strip Set A – 6 strips Fabric 7(red) and 6 strips Fabric 8 (white)
- 2 – Strip Set B – 5 red and 5 white
- 1 – Strip Set C – 6 white and 5 red
- 1 – Strip Set D – 5 white and 6 red

From Strip Sets A
Cut 32 – 1¼” segments from strip sets.

From Strip Sets B
Cut 18 – 1¼” segments from strip sets.

From Strip Sets C
Cut 9 – 1¼” segments from strip set.

From Strip Sets D
Cut 9 – 1¼” segments from strip set.

**Assemble Sashings**

**Horizontal Sashing Units – Make 8**

For each of 8 sashing units you will need
- 4 – Strip Set A segments and 2 – 1¼”x18½” Fabric 8 sashing strips

1. Join 2 Strip Set A segments end to end to make 1 checkerboard strip with 12 red and 12 white square. Repeat with second set of Strip Set A segments. Press all seams toward red.
2. Join the 2 checkerboard strips from Step 1. Rotate end of strips to make red/white checkerboard alignment. Repeat Steps 1 & 2 to make 8 checkerboard units. Checkerboard units should measure 2”x18½” with seams.

3. Remove 2 pairs of red/white squares from the end of 2 checkerboard units. Shorter units should measure 17” with seams. The shorter sashing units will allow room for the date block at the bottom of the quilt. If you choose not to add a date block, skip Step 3 and make an additional 4-patch corner block.

4. Trim 4 white strips sashing strips to 17” to match the 2 shortened checkerboard strips. Then add white strips to opposite sides of pieced checkerboard units. Press seam toward white.

5. **Horizontal Sashing Units** should measure 3½”x18½” with seams. The two shortened units should measure 3½”x17” with seams.

**Vertical Sashing Units – Make 9**

For each of 9 sashing unit you will need

- 2 – Strip Set B segments, 1 Strip Set C, 1 Strip Set D and
- 2 – 1¼”x16¼” Fabric 8 sashing strips

1. Join 1 Strip Set B segment and 1 Strip Set C end to end to make 1 checkerboard strip with 10 red and 11 white square. Press seam toward red.

2. Join 1 Strip Set B segment and 1 Strip Set D end to end to make 1 checkerboard strip with 11 red and 10 white square. Press seam toward red.

4. Add 1¼”x16¼” Fabric 8 sashing strips to opposite sides of checkerboard to complete vertical sashing unit. Repeat steps to make 9 vertical sashing units. Vertical Sashing Unit should measure 3½”x16¼” with seams.

**Framing the Panel Blocks**

For each panel block you will need:
- 2 – 2”x11” and 2 – 2”x13” Fabric 3 strips,
- 2 – 2½”x14” and 2 – 2½”x 20½” Fabric 4 strips
- and 4 – 2”x2” corner squares.

(Note: 3 panel blocks use Fabric 1 and 3 panel blocks use Fabric 2 for corner squares)

1. Sew 1 – 2”x11” Fabric 3 strip to opposite sides of a panel block. Press toward panel.

2. Add corner squares to opposite ends of 2 – 2”x13” Fabric 3 strips. Press toward corner square. *Note: The panel blocks with green holly border use blue corner squares.*

3. Add pieced strips from Step 2 to top and bottom of panel block. Press. Panel block should measure 14”x16” with seams. Repeat with remaining strips and blocks.

**Add Red Border**

1. Sew 2½”x14” Fabric 4 strips to opposite sides of framed panel blocks. Press toward red.

2. Then add 2½”x20½” red strips to top and bottom of panel block. Press toward red. Block should measure 18½”x20½”.

3. Center and square up block to measure 16¼”x18½” with seams.
**Assemble Quilt Top**

**Horizontal Sashings Rows – Make 4**

Each horizontal sashing row requires
- 3– 4-Patch units and 2 horizontal sashing units.
*Note: 1 row uses the shorter horizontal sashing units and the 3½" x 6½" date block.*

Panel Rows – Make 3

Arrange and join panel blocks. Piece 3 rows beginning and ending with a vertical sashing unit. Press toward panel blocks.

Join sashing rows alternating with panel rows. Press.

Quilt top should measure 45½" x 59¾" with seams.

**Borders**

**Green Inner Border**

1. Join 6 – 1½" x WOF inner border strips end to end using a bias seam.
2. Measure the width of the quilt top from edge to edge. Cut 2 border strips to that measurement (approx. 45½").
3. Add border strips to top and bottom of quilt top. Press.
4. Measure quilt top from top to bottom including border. Cut 2 side border strips to that measurement (approx. 61¾" with seams).
5. Add to opposite sides of quilt top. Press.
**Outer Border**

1. Measure quilt top from top to bottom including border. Cut the 2 – 6½" x Length of fabric border strips to that length (approx. 61¾" with seams).
2. Add to opposite sides of quilt. Press toward outer border.
4. Measure quilt top from side to side including borders. Cut border strips to that measurement (approx. 59½").
5. Add to top and bottom of quilt. Press toward outer border. Quilt top should measure 59½ x 73¾" with seams.

**Finishing**

Using a bias seam, join the 7- 2½"xWOF strips end to end. Press seams open. Fold prepared strip in half wrong sides together and press to make the binding.

Use enclosed templates and your favorite applique method to add date to bottom of quilt.

Layer, quilt and bind. **Happy Holidays!**
Fabric Requirements

1 Panel
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Fabric 1
19418-12
⅛ yd

Fabric 2
19419-20
⅛ yd

Fabric 3
19420-17
½ yd

Fabric 4
19416-11
⅛ yd

Fabric 5
19411-11
½ yd

Fabric 6
19415-12
1 FQ

Fabric 7
Bella Solid
9900-17
⅝ yd

Fabric 8
19416-17
1½ yds

Fabric 9
19415-11 Final Border
1⅞ yds

Backing
4½ yds

Templates for Date Block

Please note, kit yardage may vary slightly from amounts given on this project sheet.