The Morris Apprentice

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Size: Finished Quilt – 78” x 94”
Finished Block – 8” x 8”

Cutting

Please note: this is a scrappy quilt. Each quilt will be unique. Every LayerCake™ and Charm pack has 42 pieces – one for each fabric in this collection (40) plus random repeats of two of the fabrics. So each LayerCake™ and Charm pack will be a little different. That fact plus the choices you, the quilter, will make as you sort and cut the various pieces for each block will make each quilt unique. It is important to LABEL parts as they are cut.

LayerCake™
First pull out and set aside the green tonal square that is used as the center of many of the pieced blocks and save for another project.
1. Choose 30 squares from the LayerCake™ for the alternate blocks. Note: We chose mostly print squares leaving the 11 tonal print squares for the next step.
2. Trim each of the chosen 30 squares to measure 8½” x 8½”. for alternate blocks. Set aside.

Charm Pack – Inner Border
Cut each of the 5” squares into 4 – 2½” x 2½” squares. Cut once diagonally. Keep like triangles together. Cut a total of 176 triangles.

Pieced Blocks

Fabric 1
Cut 1 – 6¼” x WOF strip
Subcut 4 – 6¼” x 6¼” squares for block centers.
Cut 2 – 2½” x WOF strips
Subcut 24 – 2½” x 2½” squares for pieced block corners.

Fabric 2
Cut 3 – 6¼” x WOF strips
Subcut 14 – 6¼” x 6¼” squares for block centers.
Cut 7 – 2½” x WOF strips
Subcut 104 – 2½” x 2½” squares for pieced block corners.

Fabric 3
Cut 2 – 6¼” x WOF strip
Subcut 10 – 6¼” x 6¼” squares for block centers.

Fabric 4
Cut 1 – 6¼” x WOF strip
Subcut 4 – 6¼” x 6¼” squares for block centers.

Fabrics 5, 6, 7
From EACH cut 2 – 2½” x WOF (22”) strips.
Subcut 12 – 2½” x 2½” squares. Cut once diagonally.
Keep like triangles together. Total 72 triangles.

Outer Border and Binding

Fabric 8
Refer to cutting diagram on opposite page.
1. First cut 2 – 9½” x WOF strips for top and bottom borders.
2. Then cut 2 – 9½” x LENGTH of fabric strips for side borders.
3. From the remaining fabric, cut 3 – 9½” x WOF (approx. 22”) strips for top and bottom borders.
4. Then cut 1 – 8½” x WOF (approx. 22”) strip
Subcut 1 – 8½” x 8½” square for alternate block and 4 – 2½” x 2½” squares. Cut smaller squares once diagonally for pieced block
5. Finally, cut 7 – 2½” x LENGTH of fabric strips from last piece of fabric. These strips will be used for binding.

Block Construction

Directions that follow are for all pieced blocks. Each pieced block requires 4 – 2½” x 2½” matching square for corners, 8 – 2½” x 2½” matching triangles for corner units and 1 – 6¼” x 6¼” center square.

1. Stitch half square triangles to adjacent sides of each 2½” x 2½” corner square. Press seams toward corner square.
2. Fold center square in half and press lightly to find and mark side centers.
3. With right sides together, match centers of square and corner units. Stitch corner units to opposite sides of center square. Press toward corner unit.

4. Repeat with the two remaining corner units. Press. Block should measure 8½"x8½" with seams.

5. Make a total of 32 pieced blocks as follows:
   - Make 4 A blocks with Fabric 1 corners and centers
   - Make 2 B blocks with Fabric 1 corners and Fabric 3 centers
   - Make 14 C blocks with Fabric 2 corners and centers
   - Make 8 D blocks with Fabric 2 corners and Fabric 3 centers
   - Make 4 E blocks with Fabric 2 corners and Fabric 4 centers

   Note: The gray triangles mark the space for a matching set of 2½" triangles. Each block will have a different set of triangles to give each block a unique and scrappy look.

**Fabric 8 Cutting Diagram**

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**Quilt Construction**

1. Arrange blocks 9 rows of 7 blocks each. Press seams toward alternate blocks.

   - **Row 1**: Block C, Alternate, Block A, Alternate, Block C, Alternate, Block C
   - **Row 2**: Alternate, Block B, Alternate, Block D, Alternate, Block D, Alternate
   - **Row 3**: Block C, Alternate, Block C, Alternate, Block C, Alternate, Block C
   - **Row 4**: Alternate, Block D, Alternate, Block E, Alternate, Block D, Alternate
   - **Row 5**: Block A, Alternate, Block E, Alternate, Block E, Alternate, Block A
   - **Row 6**: Alternate, Block D, Alternate, Block E, Alternate, Block B, Alternate
   - **Row 7**: Block C, Alternate, Block C Alternate, Block C Alternate, Block C
   - **Row 8**: Alternate, Block D, Alternate, Block D, Alternate, Block D, Alternate
   - **Row 9**: Block C, Alternate, Block C Alternate, Block A, Alternate, Block C

2. Sew rows together. Press seams in one direction.

Quilt should measure 56½"x72½" with seams

**About the Apprentice...**

*John Henry Dearle, the *Morris* apprentice, designed the prints in this reproduction collection and also designed and crafted stained glass windows for *Morris and Company*. Among their masterworks are the windows for *Holy Trinity* at Sloane Square in London.*

Dearle became *Art Director* in 1896 *after* the death of William *Morris* and guided the firm into the twentieth century.
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Fabric Requirements

1 LayerCake (8230LC) – pieced blocks and alternate blocks
1 Charm Pack (8230PP) – inner border
Fabric 1 (8240 16) – blocks............................. ¾ yard
Fabric 2 (8240 17) – blocks............................. 1½ yards
Fabric 3 (8240 13) – blocks............................. ½ yard
Fabric 4 (8240 23) – blocks............................. ¼ yard
Fabric 5 (8240 20) – blocks............................. F8

Fabric 6 (8246 22) – blocks................................. F8
Fabric 7 (8243 19) – blocks................................. F8
Choose One
Fabric 8 (8246 14, 8244 16, or 8244 12) for outer border............................. 3¼ yards

Backing – 5¾ yards

Quilt Construction – cont.

Inner Border

This is a scrappy inner border. Place all of the 168 – 2½” x 2½” squares which were cut from the charm pack into a paper bag. Draw squares from bag to make....

1. Two side inner border strips of 36 square each. Press seams in opposite directions.
And two 30 square strips for top and bottom inner borders. Press seams in opposite directions.
Note: You will have 36 extra squares.

2. Add prepared border strips to opposite sides of quilt top. Press toward border. Then add prepared border strips to top and bottom of quilt. Press.

Quilt should measure 60½” x 76½” with seams.

Outer Border

1. Using a diagonal seam join the 2 – 9½” x WOF strips and the 3 – 9½” x 22” strips together. Press.

2. Then cut top and bottom border strips to measure 9½” x 60½” with seams

3. Add outer border strips to top and bottom of quilt top. Press toward outer border. Quilt should measure 60½” x 94½” with seams.

4. Measure quilt from top to bottom through the center (approx. 94½”). Cut 2 – 9½” x LENGTH of fabric border strips to that measurement. Add to opposite sides of quilt top. Press toward outer border.
Quilt should measure 78½” x 94½” with seams

Finishing

Using a diagonal seam, join the 7 – 2½” x LENGTH of fabric strips end to end. Press seams open. Fold prepared strip in half wrong sides together and press to make the binding.

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