

## Easy Hopscotch Baby Quilt Pattern

Finishing at 40-1/2" x 48-1/2", the Hopscotch baby quilt pattern makes a quilt that's a bit larger than a typical crib quilt, so it can also be used as a lap quilt or a quilt for a toddler. The layout shown is one option for the blocks -- you'll find another on page 3. The Hopscotch quilt block is traditional, and has been known by multiple names throughout the years. There are no triangles in this quilt, and that means you'll work with patches cut along the fabric's sturdier straight grains. The quilt is stitched in all blues, and you can change its appearance by using a different color or sewing it scrappy.

Finished block size: 8" x 8"

Finished baby quilt: 40-1/2" x 48-1/2" (the 1/2" dimensions are due to the binding width on each side of the quilt)



### Quilting Fabrics & Other Materials

Medium blue: 1 yard

Dark blue: 3/4 yard

Light blue: 1-1/8 yard

Batting: About 48" X 56"

Backing: 3-1/8 yards (you will have leftovers)

Binding: About 205 running inches of doublefold binding that finishes at 1/4"

## Cutting Instructions for the Hopscotch Quilt Blocks

Medium Blue:

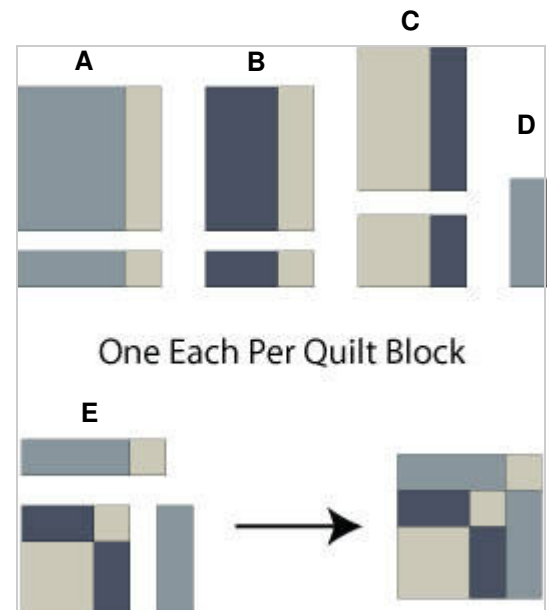
- (4) 6-1/2" wide strips cut from selvage to selvage

Dark blue:

- (2) 4-1/2" wide strips cut from selvage to selvage
- (5) 2-1/2" wide strips cut from selvage to selvage

Light blue:

- (5) 4-1/2" wide strips cut from selvage to selvage
- (4) 2-1/2" wide strips cut from selvage to selvage



## Make the Hopscotch Quilt Blocks

Each Hopscotch block is assembled with segments cut from three different strip sets, plus a single bar. Refer to the illustration during assembly.

Top left illustration (A). Sew a 6-1/2" wide medium strip lengthwise to a 2-1/2" wide light strip. Press seam allowance towards the medium strip.

Square up one end of the strip set. Cut as many 2-1/2" wide segments from it as possible. Make a second strip set. Cut a total of (30) 2-1/2" segments.

Top illustration, second from left (B). Sew a 4-1/2" dark strip lengthwise to a 2-1/2" light strip. Press seam allowance towards the dark strip.

Square up one end of the strip set. Cut as many 2-1/2" wide segments from it as possible. Make a second strip set. Cut a total of (30) 2-1/2" segments.

Top Illustration, third from left (C). Sew a 4-1/2" light strip lengthwise to a 2-1/2" wide dark strip. Press seam allowance towards the dark strip.

Square up one end of the strip set. Cut as many 4-1/2" wide segments from it as possible. Make additional strip sets and cut a total of (30) 4-1/2" segments.

Top illustration, right (D). Cut (30) 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" bars from remaining medium strips.

Bottom illustration, left (E). Arrange one of each segment as shown. Dark/light segments are shown already sewn together -- complete that step first and press the seam allowance either direction.

Sew the medium bar to the right side of the dark/light unit. Press seam allowance towards the medium bar.

Sew the remaining unit to the top of the block. Press seam allowance either way. The block should measure 8-1/2" x 8-1/2". Make 30 quilt blocks.

## Assemble the Quilt

Arrange the quilt blocks into six rows of five blocks each. Use the layout on page 1, page 3, or devise a layout of your own. (Note: If you use the layout shown below, press the final strip set on the block **outward** on half of the blocks, and **inward** on the other half. This will allow the seams to "nest" when you sew them together in rows.)

Sew the blocks in each row together. Press. Sew the rows together. Press.

Sandwich with batting and backing. Bind the quilt.

## Optional Layout

