Patchwork Tree Pillow



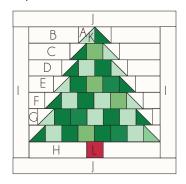


Fabric Requirements	
Background	2 fat quarters (or 1/2 yard) - Bee Cross Stitch on Cloud
Tree Prints	6 - 10" x 10" squares of assorted green fabrics (or 6 - 2 1/2" x 40" assorted strips)
Trunk Print	1 - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" square of red print fabric
Border Print	1/4 yard pink print
Backing	3/4 yard
Batting	26" x 26" piece
Pillow Form	24" x 24"
Optional Pom Pom Trim	3 yards



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Pillow Assembly



Make 1 - Unfinished Quilt Block - 20 1/2" x 20 1/2"

Cutting:

Background	A - 14 - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares B - 2 - 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" pieces C - 2 - 2 1/2" x 5 1/2" squares D - 2 - 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" pieces E - 2 - 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" pieces F - 2 - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares G - 2 - 2 1/2" x 1 1/2" pieces H - 2 - 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" pieces I - 2 - 2 1/2" x 16 1/2" pieces J - 2 - 2 1/2" x 20 1/2" pieces	
Prints	K - 35 - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares from assorted tree prints L - 1 - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" square from trunk print	

Assembly:

Step 1:

Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of an A background piece. Place this right sides together with a K print piece. Sew on the marked line, trim 1/4" away from the seam and press. Make a total of 14 half square triangles using assorted K prints.



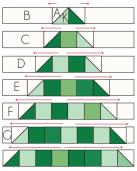






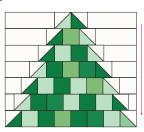
Step 2:

Assemble the strips of the tree together as shown, with additional assorted K prints making up the rows. Place an AVK half square triangles on each end of the row with the diagonal lines aligned as shown. Sew the correct background piece on the left and right sides of the strips.



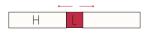
All seam allowances are 1/4"

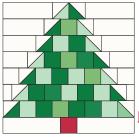
Step 4: Sew the tree strips together as shown.



Step 5:

Assemble the tree trunk section by sewing an H background square on the left and right sides of the L print piece. Sew this unit to the base of the tree section.

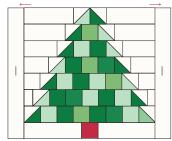




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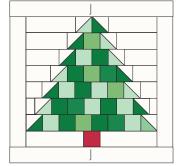
Sew an I background piece to the left and right sides of the tree section





Section 7:

Sew a J background piece to the top and bottom sides of the tree section.

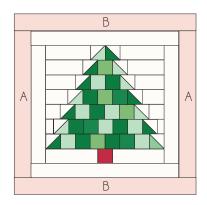


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Borders	A - 2 - 2 1/2" x 20 1/2" strips B - 2 - 2 1/2" x 24 1/2"
Backing	2 pieces 16 1/2" x 24 1/2"

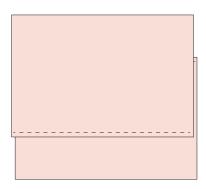
Sew the A border strips on the left and right sides of the block. Sew the B border strips on the top and bottom of the block.

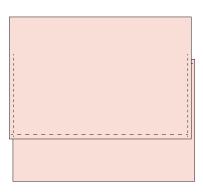


Layer together the pillow top and batting and quilt as desired. Trim to 24 1/2" x 24 1/2". If you'd like, add a running stitch around 1/4" away from the seams of the tree with a contrasting color of floss. You can also add cute trim here! Pom pom trim makes a great detail to the pillow. Sew the trim to the pillow top, after quilting, with the pom poms pointing in towards the pillow center and lining up the edge of pom pom trim with the raw edge of the pillow. Use a 1/8" seam to sew on the trim.

Finishing:

Hem the bottom edge of one of the $16\ 1/2$ " x $24\ 1/2$ " backing pieces by turning under the raw edge twice and sewing along the inside folded edge. Hem the top edge of the other $16\ 1/2$ " x $24\ 1/2$ " backing piece. Layer together the two pieces so the piece with the bottom hemmed edge is on top of the piece with the top hemmed edge, overlapping the two pieces together so they create a $24\ 1/2$ " square. Sew a basting seam where the two backing pieces overlap, 1/8" away from the edge.





Place the pillow front and backing right sides together and sew around all four sides. Clip corners, turn pillow cover right sides out and press. Place a pillow form inside the cover and press again if needed. Show off your cute new pillow!.