

Autumn Flight

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Dragonflies take their last flight of the season in this wall quilt with all the colors of fall.

INSTRUCTIONS

Cutting

Step 1. Cut two 2" by fabric width strips gold/blue stripe; subcut strips into five 14" A strips.

Step 2. Cut two 2" by fabric width strips green/brown mottled; subcut strips into four 14" B strips.

Step 3. Cut two each 1½" x 33¾"

J and 1½" x 35¾" K strips green/brown mottled.

Step 4. Cut five 2¼" by fabric width strips green/brown mottled for binding.

Step 5. Cut one 2" by fabric width strip light green print; subcut strip into two 14" C strips.

Step 6. Cut two 2" by fabric width strips brown print; subcut strips into five 14" D strips.

Step 7. Cut one 2" by fabric width strip yellow print; subcut strip into three 14" E strips.

Step 8. Cut one 2" x 14" F strip red print.

Step 9. Cut two each 5" x 35¾" L and 5" x 44¾" M strips along the length of the dragonfly print.

Step 10. Cut two 17½" x 17½" squares dragonfly print; cut each square in half on one diagonal to make four I triangles.

Step 11. Cut one 8" x 8" G square dragonfly print.

Step 12. Cut four 8½" x 8½" H squares cream mottled.

Step 13. Trace appliqué shapes onto the paper side of the fusible web referring to patterns for number to cut; cut out shapes, leaving a margin around each one.

Step 14. Fuse shapes to the wrong side of fabrics as directed on pieces for color to cut; cut out shapes on traced lines. Remove paper backing.

as shown in Figure 1; press seams in one direction.

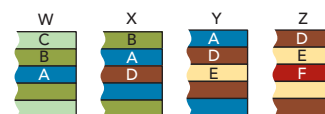


Figure 1

Step 2. Repeat Step 1 to make one X strip set using one D, two A and two B strips, again referring to Figure 1.

Step 3. Repeat Step 1 to make one Y strip set using one E, two D and two A strips, again referring to Figure 1.

Step 4. Repeat Step 1 to make one Z strip set using one F, two E and two D strips, again referring to Figure 1.

Step 5. Cut the W, X, Y and Z strip sets into four 2½" segments each as shown in Figure 2.

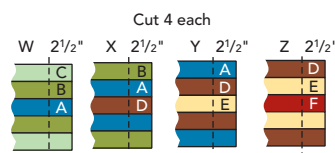
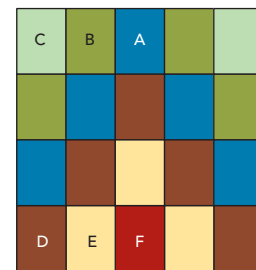


Figure 2

Step 6. Join one each W, X, Y and Z segment to complete one block as shown in Figure 3, turning segments to offset seams and pressing seams in one direction. Repeat to make four Autumn Petals blocks.



Figure 3



Autumn Petals

7½" x 8" Block

Make 4

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Skill Level: Beginner

Quilt Size: 44¼" x 44¼"

Block Size: 7½" x 8"

Number of Blocks: 4

MATERIALS

- ⅛ yard black solid
- ⅛ yard each light green, yellow and red prints*
- ¼ yard brown print*
- ¼ yard gold/blue stripe*
- ⅓ yard cream mottled
- 7⁄8 yard green/brown mottled
- 1⅜ yards dragonfly print*
- Backing 50" x 50"
- Batting 50" x 50"*
- All-purpose thread to match fabrics and black*
- Quilting thread*
- ¼ yard fusible web
- Basic sewing tools and supplies

*Enchantment fabric collection from P&B Textiles, Coats Star Machine Quilting Thread and Machine 60/40 Blend batting from Fairfield used to make the sample. Stitched on a Brother Innovis QC1000 sewing machine.

Piecing the Blocks

Step 1. Join one A, two B and two C strips with right sides together along length to make a W strip set

Completing the Quilt Top

Step 1. Join two blocks with the G square to make a row as shown in Figure 4; press seams toward G.

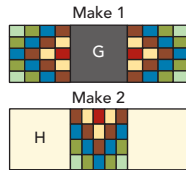


Figure 4

Step 2. Join one block with two H squares to make a row, again referring to Figure 4; press seams toward H. Repeat to make two rows.

Step 3. Join the rows to complete the pieced center referring to the Placement Diagram for positioning of rows; press seams in one direction.

Step 4. Sew an I triangle to each side of the pieced center; press seams toward I.

Step 5. Sew J and K and L and M to opposite sides and then to the remaining sides in alphabetical order referring to the Placement Diagram for positioning; press seams toward strips.

Step 6. Arrange a dragonfly motif on each H square referring to the Placement Diagram for positioning; fuse in place to complete the top.

Finishing the Quilt

Step 1. Sandwich the batting between the completed top and prepared backing; pin, baste or spray-baste to hold.

Step 2. Quilt as desired; remove pins or basting, if used. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

Step 3. Join the binding strips on short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip; press seams to one side.

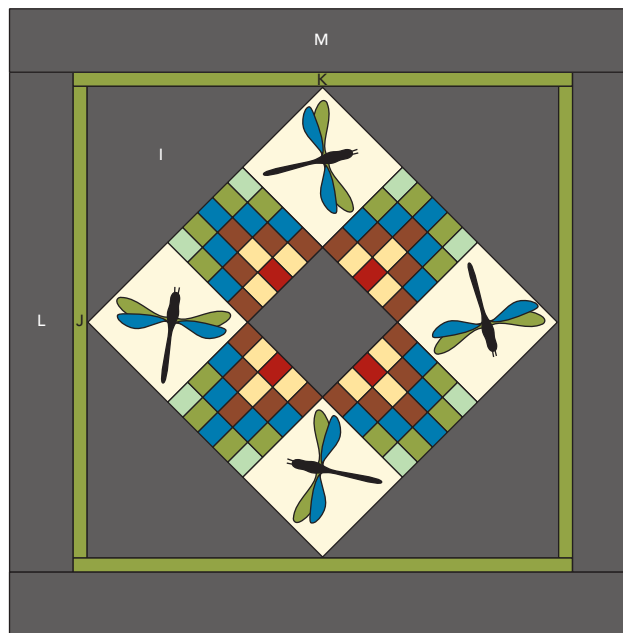
Step 4. Press the strip in half along length with wrong sides together to complete the binding.

Step 5. Sew the binding to the quilt edges with raw edges aligned, mitering corners and overlapping ends. Fold binding to the back side and stitch in place.

Step 6. Using black thread and a machine buttonhole stitch, stitch

around the wings and body of each dragonfly motif through all layers. Use a narrow satin stitch to stitch antennae on each motif to finish. **QW**

A fabric kit for this quilt top and binding is available, while supplies last, for \$43 plus \$9.50 shipping (Maine residents add 5 percent sales tax). Please contact Pine Tree Country Quilts, P.O. Box 343, Stillwater, ME 04489, www.pinetreecountryquilts.com or (207) 827-3876.



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Placement Diagram 44¼" x 44¼"

AUTUMN FLIGHT TEMPLATE

