# Birds in the Forest Wall Quilt

Highlight a special print fabric in the center of this wall quilt made with 3-D units.

Skill Level: Intermediate Quilt Size: 42" x 42" Block Size: 6" x 15" and 15" x 15" Number of Blocks: 4 and 4





Short Tree 6" x 15" Block Make 4



15" x 15" Block Make 4

#### INSTRUCTIONS Completing the Short Tree Blocks

Step 1. Select one B, six D, two E, one F and three matching C pieces for one Short Tree block. **Step 2.** Fold each C rectangle in half, wrong sides together, to make a 31/4" x 31/2" rectangle. **Step 3.** Pin the folded C piece to the right side of a D square with the fold 1/4" down from the top edge of D as shown in Figure 1; place a second D square right sides together with the layered C-D unit, aligning top of second D square with first D square. Stitch on the right-hand edge, again referring to Figure 1.



FABRIC CUT SUBCUT #PIECES STRIPS PIECES Measurements based on 42" usable fabric width. 3/8 yard bird 1 6½" x 42" 61/2" A square 1 31/2" B rectangles print 1 3½" x 42" 9 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" I squares 1/2 yard each red, 3 3½" x 42" 7 61/2" C rectangles each each fabric green, brown and fabric gray prints/tonals 2 1" F rectangles each fabric 43 31/2" I squares total 1/2 yard black/gold 5 2¼" x 42" mottled binding 1⅓ yards 3½" x 42" 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" D squares 6 56 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" E rectangles cream print 16 2 115⁄8" x 42" 11<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares; cut in half on 1 diagonal to make 8 G triangles 4 5¼" x 5¼" squares; cut in half on 1 diagonal to make 8 H triangles 48" x 48" Backing

#### SUPPLIES

- Batting 48" x 48"
- Neutral-color all-purpose thread
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- Quilting thread
  - · Basic sewing tools and supplies

**Step 4.** Referring to Figure 2, open the stitched D-C-D unit and press the folded C flat with bottom edges aligned with D and seams open on the back side to complete one tree unit.



**Step 5.** Repeat Steps 2–4 to complete three tree units. **Step 6.** Sew the F piece between two E pieces to make a trunk unit as shown in Figure 3; press seams toward E.



**Step 7.** Join the three tree units with the trunk unit and one B rectangle to complete one Short Tree block referring to the block drawing; press seams in one direction. **Step 8.** Repeat Steps 1–7 to complete four Short Tree blocks.

#### Completing the Corner Blocks

**Step 1.** Repeat Steps 1–7 in Completing the Short Tree Blocks substituting the B rectangle with another tree unit to make a tall tree unit as shown in Figure 4; repeat to make four tall tree units.



**Step 2.** Sew G to opposite long sides and H to the top and bottom of one tall tree

unit to complete one Corner block referring to the block drawing; press seams toward G and H. Repeat to make four Corner blocks.

#### **Completing the Top**

**Step 1.** Join two Corner blocks with one Short Tree block to make a block row as shown in Figure 5; press seams toward Corner blocks. Repeat to make two block rows.



Figure 5

**Step 2.** Join two Short Tree blocks with A as shown in Figure 6 to make a sashing row; press seams toward A.



**Step 3.** Join the two block rows with the sashing row referring to the Placement Diagram to complete the pieced center; press seams toward the block rows.

**Step 4.** Select and join 12 I squares to make a side row; press seams in one direction. Repeat to make two side rows.

**Step 5.** Sew a side row to opposite sides of the pieced center; press seams toward side rows.

**Step 6.** Select and join 14 I squares to make a top row; press seams in one direction. Repeat to make the bottom row. Sew these rows to the top and bottom of the pieced center to complete the pieced top; press seams toward the rows.

#### **Finishing the Quilt**

**Step 1.** Sandwich batting between the completed top and prepared backing piece; pin or baste layers together to hold flat.

**Step 2.** Quilt as desired by hand or machine; remove pins or basting. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

**Step 3.** Join the binding strips with right sides together on short ends to make one long strip; press seams open.

Step 4. Press the strip in half with wrong sides together along length.Step 5. Sew the binding to the right side of the quilt edges, mitering corners and overlapping ends.

**Step 6.** Fold binding to the back side and stitch in place to finish. **QW** 



**Birds in the Forest Wall Quilt** Placement Diagram 42" x 42"

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