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FREE PROJECT SHEET SECRET GARDEN OUILT SIZE 63" x 63


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## SECRET GARDEN OUILT FEATURING ARCADIA BY SARAH WATSON

Note: The Secret Garden quilt is made with string pieced half square triangle (HST) blocks that are cut from a "tube" with a 45 -degree ruler or the corner of a $91 / 2$ " square ruler. It is made up of $64-81 / 2 "$ blocks (finished at $8^{\prime \prime}$ ).

STRING PIECED BLOCKS
$1 / 4$ yard each 14 prints: Sun Spot and Bee $\{$ Aqua \& Coral\}, Flutterflies \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Mushroom March \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Wheel Daisy \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Dewy Garden, Tumbling \{Aqua, Midnight, Coral, Sunshine\}, Herb Garden
1/4 yard each Solid Fabric: Green, White, Gray, Yellow

BACKGROUND
1 yard each: Tumbling \{Aqua\} and Solid Fabric $\{$ Teal $\}$

4 yards for Backing
$1 / 2$ yard for Binding

## CUTTING DIRECTIONS

## STRING PIECED BLOCKS

From each, cut various sized strips from $1^{1 / 1 / 4}$ to $3^{\prime \prime}$ : Sun Spot and Bee \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Flutterflies $\{A q u a \& C o r a l\}$, Mushroom March \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Wheel Daisy \{Aqua \& Coral\}, Dewy Garden, Tumbling \{Aqua, Midnight, Coral, Sunshine\}, Herb Garden, Solid Fabrics \{Green, White, Gray, Yellow\}

BACKGROUND:
5- $61 / 2$ "x WOF strips
From each: Tumbling \{Aqua\} and Solid Fabric $\{$ Teal $\}$

## ASSEMBLY DIRECTIONS

1/4" seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

1. Sew strips of Arcadia and Solids together until they equal $61 / 2$ ". If too narrow, add another strip. If too wide, trim to $61 / 2 "$. Play with the combinations. Press seams open. [fig 1]
2. With right sides together, sew strip-pieced unit to $61 / 2$ "of background along BOTH edges to create a tube which will be approximately $42^{\prime \prime} \times 6.5^{\prime \prime}$. [fig 2]
3. To cut the tubes into the blocks, use a ruler with a 45 -degree angle line that is at least $9^{\prime \prime}$ long (or use a $91 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square ruler). Place the 45 -degree angle line on the stitch line and a $1 / 2$ " from the open edge. [fig 3] Important: The odd ends from the tube will be used to make the final four blocks. Make the first 45 -degree cut with your rotary cutter towards the left. When cutting the next tube unit, make the first cut towards the right. Both directional cuts will be needed to make the last 4 quilt blocks. [fig 4]
4. Move the ruler up to the top stitch line (with the 45 -degree line centered) and make next cut. Continue making 45 -degree cuts in this manner until there are six blocks from each unit. Save the odd end pieces for use later. [fig 5]
5. Press and trim each block to $81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.
6. Sew together the end pieces and trim blocks down to $81 / 2{ }^{\prime \prime}$. Four of these blocks are needed (two blocks with solid teal background, two blocks with Arcadia Tumbling \{Aqua\}.[fig 6]
7. QUILT ASSEMBLY: Layout the quilt to your liking referring the OUILT DIAGRAM as a guide. Assemble in groups of four. Sew four blocks together, then four segments together, then finally the four quarters together.
8. Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Baste, quilt and bind.

DIAGRAMS
fig 1

fig 2

fig 3


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fig 6


QUILT DIAGRAM


