

not quite hexies

by patty young



Typically, hexagon quilts can be challenging to piece by machine because they involve Y-seams. Which is why we get all excited about Patty's way-cool cheater quilt. Instead of hexagons, she worked with trapezoids (makes us sound like we actually know our geometry—not!) and then sewed pairs together to create hexagons. Very clever, but we expect no less from our MODKID bud.

overall materials:

- 2 ½ yards neutral background
- ¼ yard each of (15) different prints (Patty used Teal Shoreline, Teal Diamonds, Teal Cool Dots, Teal Houndstooth, Lime Shoreline, Lime Houndstooth, Tangerine Diamonds, Tangerine Cool Dots, Papaya Shoreline, Papaya Diamonds, Papaya Cool Dots, Salmon Diamonds, Salmon Cool Dots, Red Shoreline, and Red Houndstooth from her recent Textured Basics collection released by Michael Miller Fabrics. As always, though, be willing to explore using other fabrics and colors in this wonderful design. Just keep related colors paired to get the feel of the hexagons.)
- Template plastic
- 5/8 yard of binding fabric
- backing: 3 ½ yards
- batting: 62" X 67"

cutting:

NOTE: Trace template onto template plastic with a permanent marker and carefully cut out.

- From background: cut (26) strips 3" X WOF. Then, using template, trace and cut (150) trapezoids. Be sure to trim corners for ease of piecing later.

- Cut (2) strips 3" X WOF from each of the (15) prints. Then, using template, cut as follows:
 - ◆ (9) trapezoids from Teal Shoreline, Teal Houndstooth, Lime Shoreline, Lime Houndstooth, Tangerine Diamonds, Tangerine Cool Dots, Papaya Cool Dots, Red Shoreline and Red Houndstooth
 - ◆ (6) of Teal Diamonds, Teal Cool Dots, Papaya Shoreline, Salmon Diamonds, and Salmon Cool Dots
 - ◆ (3) of Papaya Diamonds

- Cut (6) strips 2 ½" X WOF strips for binding.

piecing:

- Using the diagram, arrange fabrics as shown.
- Sew trapezoids together as shown piecing first and second trapezoids together and pressing the seams open. Sew fourth trapezoid to third trapezoid in the row. Sew this pair to first pair. Continue sewing trapezoids into

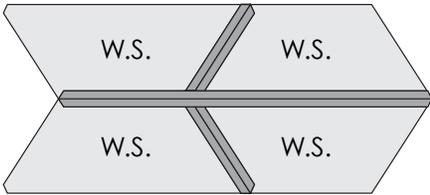
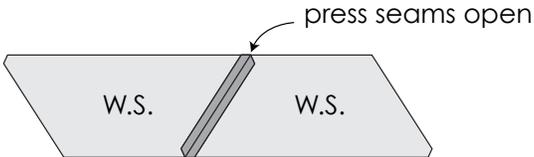
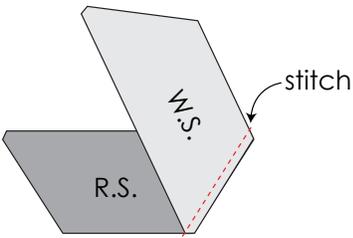
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skill level: confident
finished size:
57" x 62"

pairs along the row and then piecing them to the continued row until entire row is pieced. Press all seams open. Set this row back on your design wall.

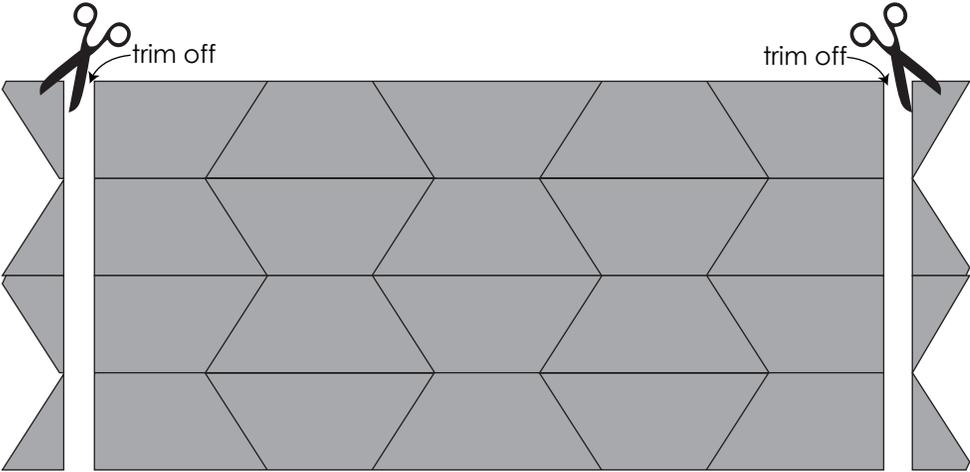
- Repeat the process from quilt top to bottom, pressing all seams open.
- After rows are sewn, start sewing the rows together, again beginning at top and continuing to bottom of quilt. Make sure to align trapezoid seams as you go. Press all row seams open.
- After top is completed, press top well. Then, trim both sides of quilt's top to make sides straight. Do this using a long rotary ruler and line up horizontal seams on ruler's markings to a straight right angle against vertical cuts.
- Layer, baste and quilt your top.
- Sew binding strips together and sew to top. ✨



piecing the trapezoids



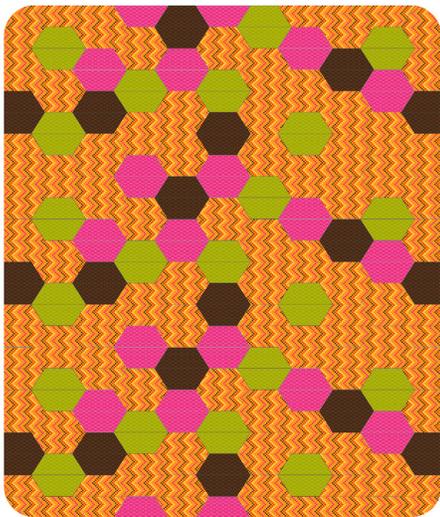
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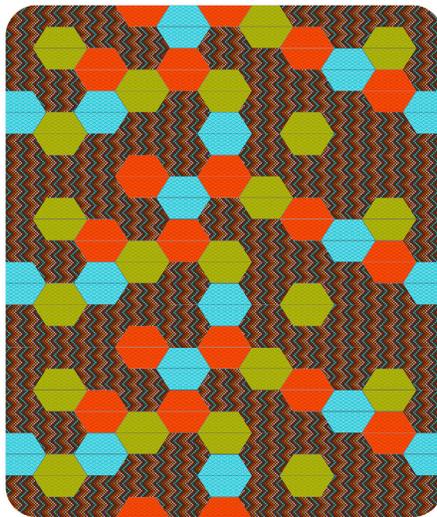
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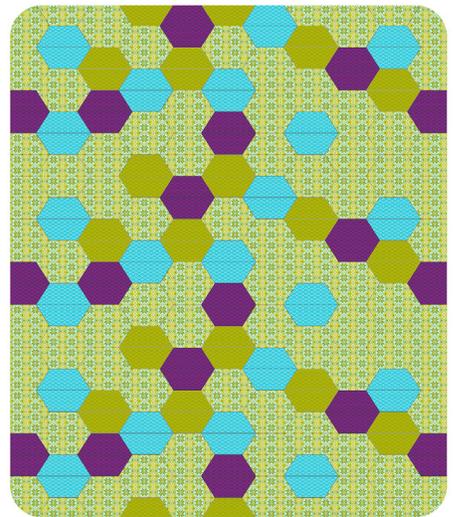
COLOR OPTION #1



COLOR OPTION #2



COLOR OPTION #3



try it in knit!

Patty first made this quilt from cotton knit jersey fabrics. Knits have their own rules to follow, but the end result is a super-cozy quilt. One tip is to omit the binding and instead use a pillowcase finish and rounded corners. Before quilting, layer basted top/batting to backing, right sides together. Sew a 1/4" around, leaving an 8" opening. Turn quilt right-side out, press edges and close opening. Then quilt as desired.



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