

Hug Quilt Top

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Finished quilt size: 51" x 73"

Finished block Size: 9" x 9"

Materials:

24 Mug Hug blocks 9½" x 9½" (raw edge to raw edge)

Fabric A: 38 pieces 2½" x 9½"* (sashing)
8 pieces 2½" x 2½" (corner 4-patches)
5 (plus a bit) pieces 4½" x WOF** (borders)

Fabric B: 23 pieces 2½" x 2½" (cornerstones & corner 4-patches)
7 pieces 2½" x WOF (binding)

*Note: cut on lengthwise grain of fabric

** WOF = width of fabric

Assembly Instructions:

Step 1: Press and inspect blocks. Check for things like tension errors, untrimmed dog ears, etc. Square block to 9½". Lay out the top so that the blocks are in a pleasing arrangement.

Note: If you have a set of blocks that square up to 9 3/8", you will need to **trim the length of all the sashing strips to the same measurement as your blocks** before proceeding with the assembly of the top.

Step 2: Assemble into rows of 4 blocks, with sashing strips between the blocks, pressing the seams toward the sashing strips.

Step 3: Assemble horizontal sashing units of four sashing strips and three 2½" squares. Press the seam allowances away from the 2½" squares. Make 5.

Step 4: Sew the rows together, using the units from step 3 between the rows. **(see piecing diagram)**

Step 5: Make four 4-patches using the remaining 2½" squares.

Step 6: Press the top. Measure from top to bottom, and from side to side. Record these measurements.

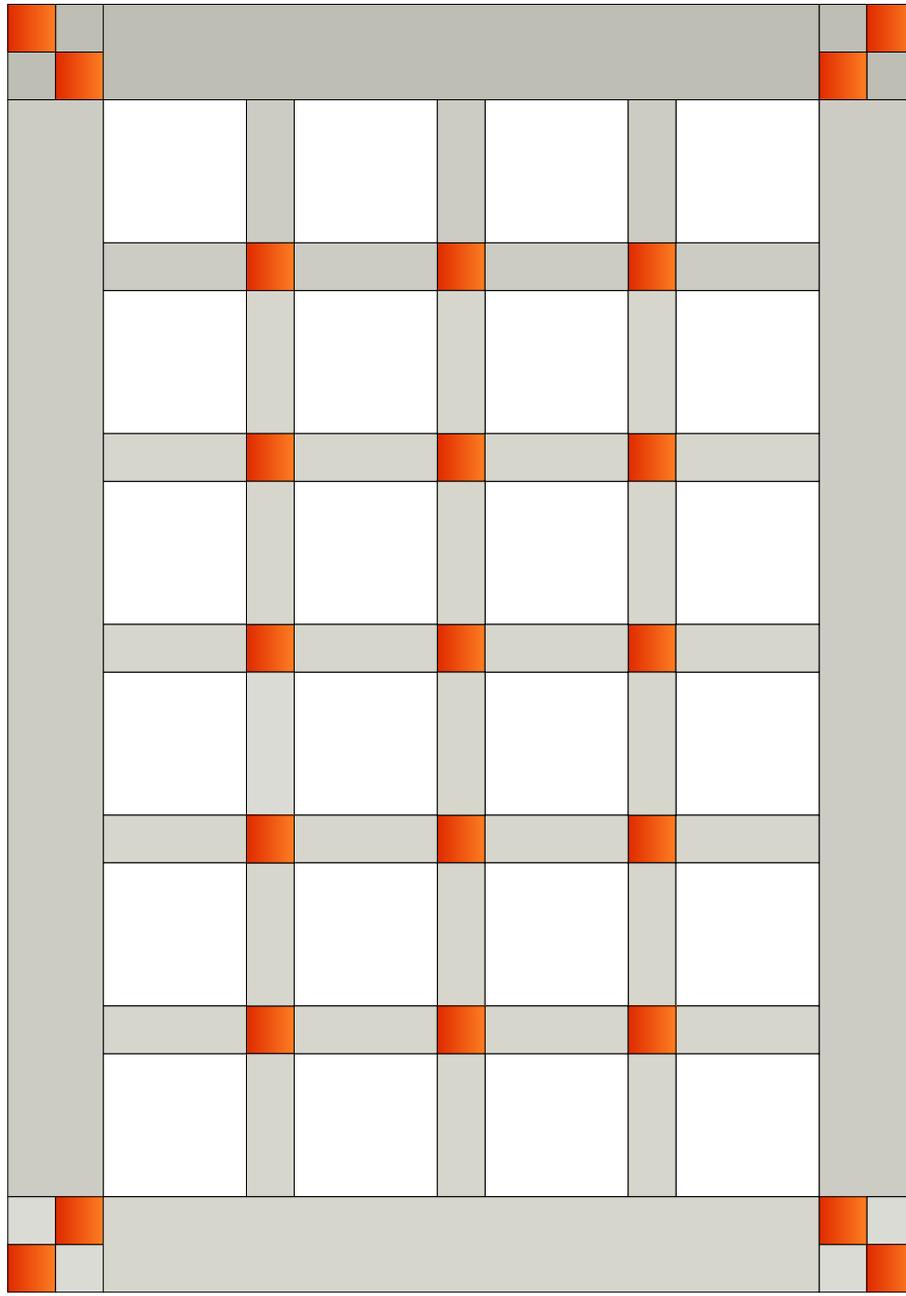
Step 7: Trim two of the 4½" strips to the width of your top. Sew a 4-patch to each end of each strip, paying attention to the orientation of the contrast squares in the 4-patches. (Press the seam allowances away from the 4-patches)

Step 8: Sew four 4½” strips together end to end using a straight seam, being sure to remove the selvages. Cut this into two lengths, each one the measurement of the length of the quilt.

Step 9: Pin and stitch the longer strips to the sides of the quilt top. Press the seams toward the borders. Pin and stitch the shorter strips with 4-patches to the top and bottom edges. Press the seam allowances toward the borders.

Step 10: Prepare the binding by sewing the strips together end-to-end with diagonal seams. Press seams open and trim dog ears. Fold in half along long sides, wrong sides together and press flat.

Assembly Diagram:



Place prepared binding and any extra pieces of fabric with the quilt top. Be sure to print your name on the QofV paper label before you pin it to the quilt top.

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