The Power of the Quilt Project

Comfort by the Nines

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**Fabric Required:**

| “A”               | ½ Yard   |
| “B”               | ½ Yard   |
| “C”               | 5/8 Yard |
| “D”               | ¾ Yard   |
| Flannel Backing Fabric | 1 ½ Yards |
| Traditional or low loft Crib Batt | 45" x 60" |
| Binding            | 6 Yards  |

**Cutting Requirements**

For strip pieced nine patches

| “A” | 7 strips 2 ½” x width of fabric |
| “B” | 6 strips 2 ½” x width of fabric |
| “C” | 17 blocks 6 ½” square           |
| “D” | 4 strips 6 ½” x width of fabric |

**Selecting Fabric:**

You may use fabric scraps or yardage. The “C” and “D” fabric will dominate. This is a good place to use solid colors, large scale patterns or novelty prints.

**Pressing Suggestions:**

Press all seams in the nine patch blocks towards the “A” unit. When seaming the nine patch block to the “C” block press the seam towards the “C” block. Press the border seams towards the outside of the quilt.
Instructions for Strip Piecing the Nine Patch Blocks:

Cut 7 A strips and 6 B strips. Strips should be cut 2.5” by the width of the fabric. Fabric must be at least 44” wide.

Separate the strips into two piles. One pile contains 7 A strips and the other pile contains 6 B strips.

Sew an A strip to a B strip to an A strip.

Repeat the step above once. Then go to the next step. There will be two separate ABA strata 6.5” x 44”. (Figure 1)

Sew a B strip to an A strip to a B strip. There is a single BAB stratum 6.5” x 44”. (Figure 2)

There should be four strips left over. Two are A’s and two are B’s.

Sew one A strip to one B strip to create a single AB stratum 4.5” x 44”.

Cut a 28” length from the remaining A strip. Sew the 28” length to the B side of the AB stratum starting at the top. (Figure 3)

Cut a 16” length from the remaining B strip. Sew the 16” length to the A side of the AB stratum starting at the bottom. (Figure 3)

Decide whether to iron towards the A’s or the B’s. Iron all seams towards your choice.

Cut the strata into horizontal segments which are 2.5” x 6.5”. The pattern requires 44 ABA units and 22 BAB units.

Sew 22 ABA units to 22 BAB units. Press seams towards the ABA units.

Sew the remaining ABA units to the BAB side of the ABA

Press these seams towards the just added ABA unit.
Help is available:

Answers to FAQ about making a quilt are available here. Contact Gwyned Trefethen if you still have questions or need help making a quilt.

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