

## Chain of Beads ~ Quilt Pattern Created by Leah Day

Have you ever bought fabric that's too pretty to cut? Showcase all your favorites in this super easy quilt that lets each square of fabric stand out and shine like bright beads in a necklace!

**Finished quilt size: 57 x 67 inches**

### Materials

1 Pack of Precut 10-inch squares - Island Batik Seafoam  
1/2 yard Fabric A - Island Batik Cream  
2 1/2 yards Fabric B - Island Batik Black  
1/2 yard Fabric B - Binding fabric  
4 yards Backing fabric  
Twin Sized Batting

Black 100% cotton piecing thread

### Fabric Preparation and Quilt Piecing Tips

For best results, prewash, starch, and press all fabrics before cutting. Remember to lower your stitch length to 1.5 mm to create a tight stitch. Unless otherwise noted, please press all seam allowances OPEN to reduce bulk and make quilting easier.

### Cutting Chart

#### Precut Squares

#### Fabric A (Cream)

#### Fabric B (Black)

#### Fabric B Binding

Trim 18 squares to measure 9 1/2-inches

Cut 5 - 2 1/2 x 40 inch strips

Cut 10 - 4 x 40-inch strips

Cut 16 - 2 1/2 x 40-inch strips

Cut 7 - 2 x 40-inch strips for binding.

Piece strips together with a diagonal seam, then press in half to prepare binding.

### Piecing Instructions

Piece the Fabric B 2 1/2 x 40-inch strips together in sets of two with a diagonal seam as shown in Diagram 1 to create 8 - 2 1/2 x 80-inch strips. (Fabric in gray to show stitching illustration).

Cut six of these extra long strips down to measure 2 1/2 x 63 1/2-inches. These will be the sashing strips between the block rows and the outer border on the sides.

Cut the two remaining extra long strips down to measure 2 1/2 x 57 1/2-inches. This will be the outer border for the top and bottom of the quilt.

### Piecing the Strip Blocks

Piece one Fabric A 2 1/2 x 40 inch strip of in between two Fabric B 4 x 40-inch strips. Repeat this step 4 more times to create a total of 5 strip sets.

Cut these strip sets into 17 - 9 1/2-inch Strip Blocks as seen in Diagram 2.

### Piecing the Quilt

Arrange the Strip Blocks with the trimmed precut squares to match the quilt image above. Piece the blocks together in vertical rows.

Piece the vertical rows of blocks together with the 6 Fabric B 2 1/2 x 63 1/2-inch strips. Piece the Fabric B 2 1/2 x 57 1/2-inch strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Give your Chain of Beads quilt a final press and it will be ready for quilting!

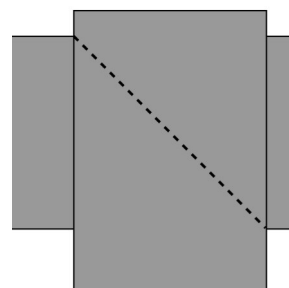


Diagram 1

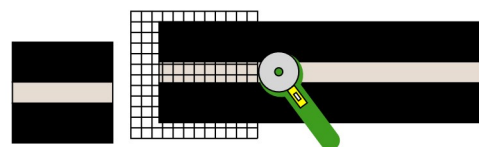


Diagram 2