

Double Stripe ~ Quilt Pattern Created by Leah Day

Are diamonds challenging to cut and piece? They don't have to be! Learn how to cut diamonds quickly and easily to create this cute Double Stripe Diamond Quilt!

Finished quilt size: 50 x 65 inches

Materials

6 Fat Quarters Fabric A - 18 x 21-inch rectangles - Caturday by Felice Regina

3 yards Fabric B - Kona Cotton Solid White

White 100% cotton piecing thread

4 yards backing fabric

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

Fabric A	Cut each fat quarter into 4 1/2-inch wide strips, then cut three 4 1/2-inch wide diamonds, then the remaining fabric into 2 1/2-inch wide diamonds.
Fabric B	Cut 10 - 4 1/2-inch wide strips. Cut 60 - 2 1/2 inch wide diamonds from the strips. Cut 18 - 2 1/2-inch wide strips.



Piecing the Double Stripe Units

Arrange two Fabric A 2 1/2-inch diamonds and one 4 1/2 inch diamond with three Fabric B 2 1/2-inch diamonds. Piece together to create a long strip set with diagonal seams. Repeat this step, mixing up the colors of the diamonds to create a random arrangement in each strip set. Continue piecing to create 18 strip sets.

Arranging the Quilt

Spread out the pieced strip sets on a table in eight vertical rows to create a random arrangement with the diamond shapes. Cut the remaining Fabric B 4 1/2-inch wide strips into varying lengths with a 45 degree angle on one end. Arrange these background strips with the pieced diamond units to create the long rows of the quilt. You can create any length of quilt you desire with this pattern so experiment and see what you like best.

If needed, trim the edges of the long pieced rows of the quilt so the edges are straight.

Piece the 18 Fabric B 2 1/2-inch wide strips together in sets of two strips to create 9 extra long strips. Place these strips in between the pieced diamond strips.

Piecing the Quilt

Piece the quilt together in vertical rows. Use a long ruler to square off the top and bottom edges. Give your quilt top a final press and it will be ready for quilting!