On The Fence Quilt Pattern Tutorial

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This beginner-friendly quilt is perfect for showing off the gorgeous fabrics from Birch's new Charlie Harper collection, Nurture. I used sixteen prints from the collection to make this stunning throw that measures $61 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $61 \frac{1}{2}$ ". This pattern is block based so you can easily adjust the number of blocks to make any size quilt you want.



All of the amazing photography for this tutorial was done by the super talented Christina McKinney.

Materials

- 1. Sixteen ¼ yards or fat quarters of Birch's Charlie Harper Nurture collection: Foxsimilies, Family Owlbum, Barn Swallow, Family of Chickadees, Zoo Babies, Jumbrella, Love From Above, Koala Koala, Mice Invasion, Brrrthday, Murre, Feathers Brown, Feathers Coral, Feathers Mineral, Fungi Peri, and Fungi Shroom.
- 2. 2 yards of Birch Cream
- 3. ½ yard of Fungi Shroom for binding
- 4. 70" x 70" cotton batting
- 5. 4 yards of Zoo Babies for backing

Notions

- 1. Coordinating thread
- 2. Scissors or rotary cutter and mat
- 3. Quilting pins, spray basting or needle and thread for basting
- 4. Masking or painter's tape for making the quilt sandwich
- 5. Quilting gloves

General Directions and Definitions

- 1. For quilt piecing, use a 1/4" **seam allowance**. The seam allowance is included in the block and piece dimensions below.
- 2. Press your fabric before cutting and press the seams as you sew. I usually recommend pressing seams open.
- 3. Read through all of the directions before cutting.
- 4. **Width of fabric "WOF"** describes the width of the fabric from selvage to selvage, or finished edge to finished edge. Quilting fabrics usually measure 42"- 44" wide.

Cutting

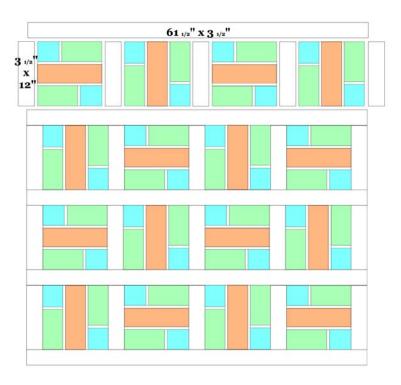
- 1. Divide the prints into two groups of eight. This will make it easier to keep track of the horizontal and vertical pieces you will be cutting and it will ensure that you have a nice balance with your prints.
- 2. From the first group of eight prints, cut the following pieces from each print:
 - a. One 12" x 4" rectangle,
 - b. **Two** 4" x 8" rectangles, and
 - c. **Two** 4" x 4" squares.
- 3. From the second group of eight prints, cut the following pieces from each print:
 - a. **One** 4" x 12" rectangle,
 - b. **Two** 8" x 4" rectangles, and
 - c. **Two** 4" x 4" squares.
- 4. From the Cream, cut the following pieces:
 - a. Thirty-two 12" x 1" rectangles,
 - b. **Thirty-two** 4" x 1" rectangles,

- c. **Twenty** 3 ½" x 12" rectangles for the vertical sashing, and
- d. **Eight** 3 ½" WOF strips for the horizontal sashing.
- 5. Cut **three** of the WOF Cream strips in half for a total of **six** 3 ½" x 21" rectangles. Set one of the pieces aside because you will only need five for the horizontal sashing.
- 6. Cut **seven** 2 ½" WOF strips from Fungi Shroom for the binding.

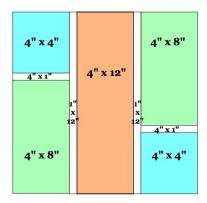


Piecing

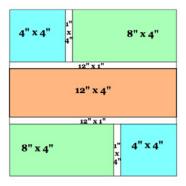
1. The quilt is made up of sixteen blocks. There are eight vertical blocks (A Blocks) and eight horizontal blocks (B Blocks).



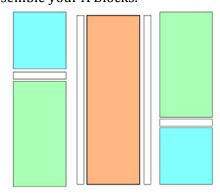
2. Here is a diagram of A Block.



3. Here is a diagram of B Block.



- 4. Following the quilt diagram above, lay out the Nurture pieces. Start with the main vertical or horizontal pieces and then fill in with the smaller pieces so you have a nice balance of prints.
- 5. Use the diagram below to assemble your A Blocks.



- 6. For the A Blocks, sew the 1" x 12" Cream rectangles to either side of the 4" x 12" rectangle.
- 7. Sew the 4" x 1" Cream rectangles to the 4" x 4" squares.
- 8. Sew the 4" x 8" rectangles to the other side of the 4" x 1" Cream rectangles.
- 9. Sew the three parts of the block together.
- 10. Repeat the same steps for the B Blocks.
- 11. Following the quilt diagram above, sew the 3 ½" x 12" vertical sashing pieces to the blocks.
- 12. Sew the blocks and vertical sashing pieces together to create four rows.
- 13. Sew the 3 ½" Cream WOF strips to the 3 ½" x 21" Cream rectangles cut in Step 5 above for a

total of five horizontal sashing strips. Trim each strip to 61 ½" x 3 ½".

- 14. Sew the horizontal sashing pieces to each row of blocks.
- 15. Sew your Fungi Shroom binding strips together to make one long continuous strip.
- 16. Baste, quilt and bind the quilt in your preferred method.



Congratulations! You are all done.

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