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# Courting Steps

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SIZE: 68 1/4" x 68 1/4"



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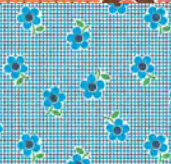
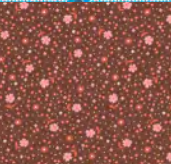
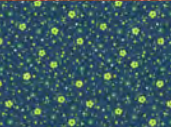
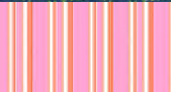
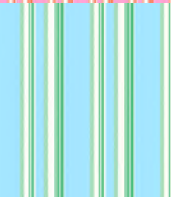


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## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

*Designer Note: The cutting and block assembly instructions provided allow you to make the quilt exactly as shown in the quilt image by creating (9) unique Block Colorways. If you wish to place prints randomly for a personal touch, you may opt to cut and complete (1) block at a time using Step 1 on Page 3 as a cutting guide and the Block Colorways on Pages 4-5 as inspiration.*

KEY	FABRIC	SKU	YD	CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS
A		WINDHAM SOLIDS 31835S-White	2 ¼	(32) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following for blocks: (18) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips. (18) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strips. (18) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strips. (18) 2 ¼" x 9 ¼" strips. (18) 2 ¼" x 5 ¾" strips. (16) 2 ¼" squares.
B		53030-3 Nut	¾	(3) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strip. (2) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strips.
C		53031-2 Blue	¾	(5) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip. (2) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strips. (11) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strips.
D		53032-3 Nut	¾	(5) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (3) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strips. (2) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips. (1) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strip.
E		53032-5 Navy	¾	(4) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (2) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strips. (3) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips.
F		53033-6 Pink	⅛	(1) 2 ¼" x WOF strip. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip.
G		53033-7 Light Blue	¾	(4) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip. (2) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strips. (4) 2 ¼" x 9 ¼" strips. (11) 2 ¼" x 5 ¾" strips.
H		53034-2 Blue	¾	(4) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (13) 2 ¼" x 9 ¼" strips. (3) 2 ¼" x 5 ¾" strips.
I		53034-3 Nut	⅛	(1) 2 ¼" x WOF strip. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip.



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<b>J</b>		53034-6 Pink	$\frac{3}{8}$	(3) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strip. (2) 2 ¼" x 12 ¾" strips.
<b>K</b>		5303 4-9 Orange	$\frac{1}{8}$	(1) 2 ¼" x WOF strip. Subcut (9) 2 ¼" squares.
<b>L</b>		53035-3 Nut	$\frac{1}{8}$	(1) 2 ¼" x WOF strip. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strip. (2) 2 ¼" squares.
<b>M</b>		53035-10 Lawn	$\frac{1}{4}$	(2) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strip.
<b>N</b>		53036-8 Tan	$\frac{1}{4}$	(2) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (3) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips.
<b>O</b>		53036-10 Lawn	$\frac{5}{8}$	(7) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (2) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips. (11) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strips.
<b>P</b>		53037-3 Nut INCLUDES BINDING	$\frac{3}{4}$	(2) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strip. (2) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strips. <b>FOR BINDING:</b> (8) 2 ¼" x WOF strips for binding.
<b>Q</b>		53037-12 Light Green	$\frac{1}{4}$	(2) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 16 ¼" strip. (1) 2 ¼" x 9 ¼" strip. (4) 2 ¼" x 5 ¾" strips.
<b>R</b>		53038-5 Navy	$\frac{5}{8}$	(7) 2 ¼" x WOF strips. Subcut the following: (5) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strips. (3) 2 ¼" x 19 ¾" strips.
<b>S</b>		53038-8 Tan	$\frac{1}{8}$	(1) 2 ¼" x WOF strip. Subcut the following: (1) 2 ¼" x 23 ¼" strip.
		Backing	4 ¼	Batting 77" x 77"

WOF = WIDTH OF FABRIC

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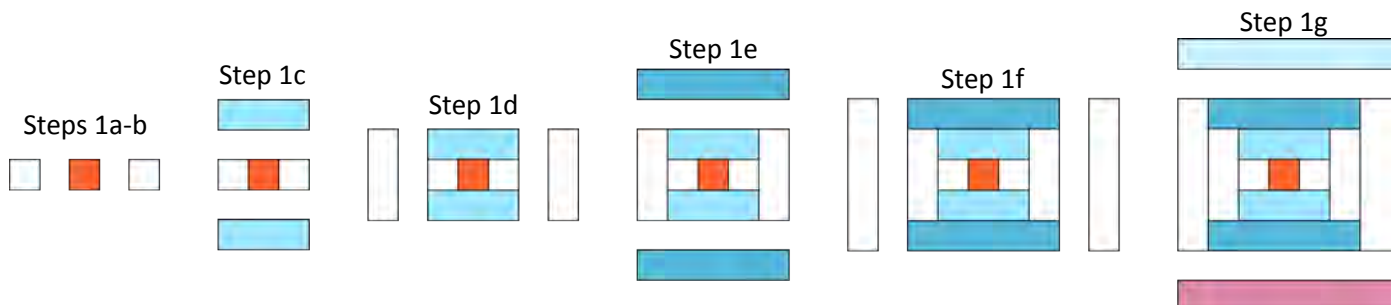
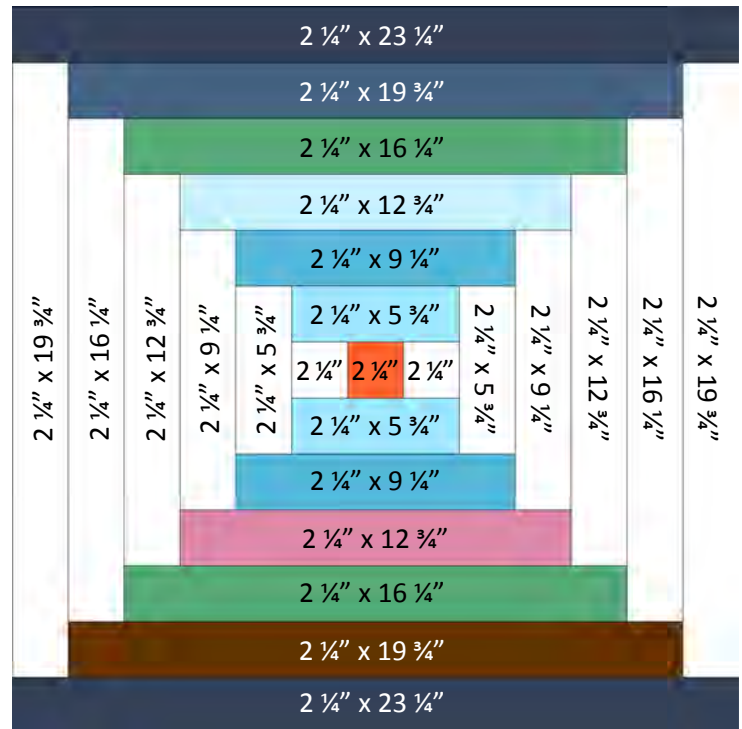
## PIECING INSTRUCTIONS

### Courthouse Step Block Assembly:

(Designer Note: General Courthouse Step Block assembly instructions and diagrams are provided in Step 1. Use the general instructions to complete (9) unique Block Colorways as shown in Step 2 diagrams.)

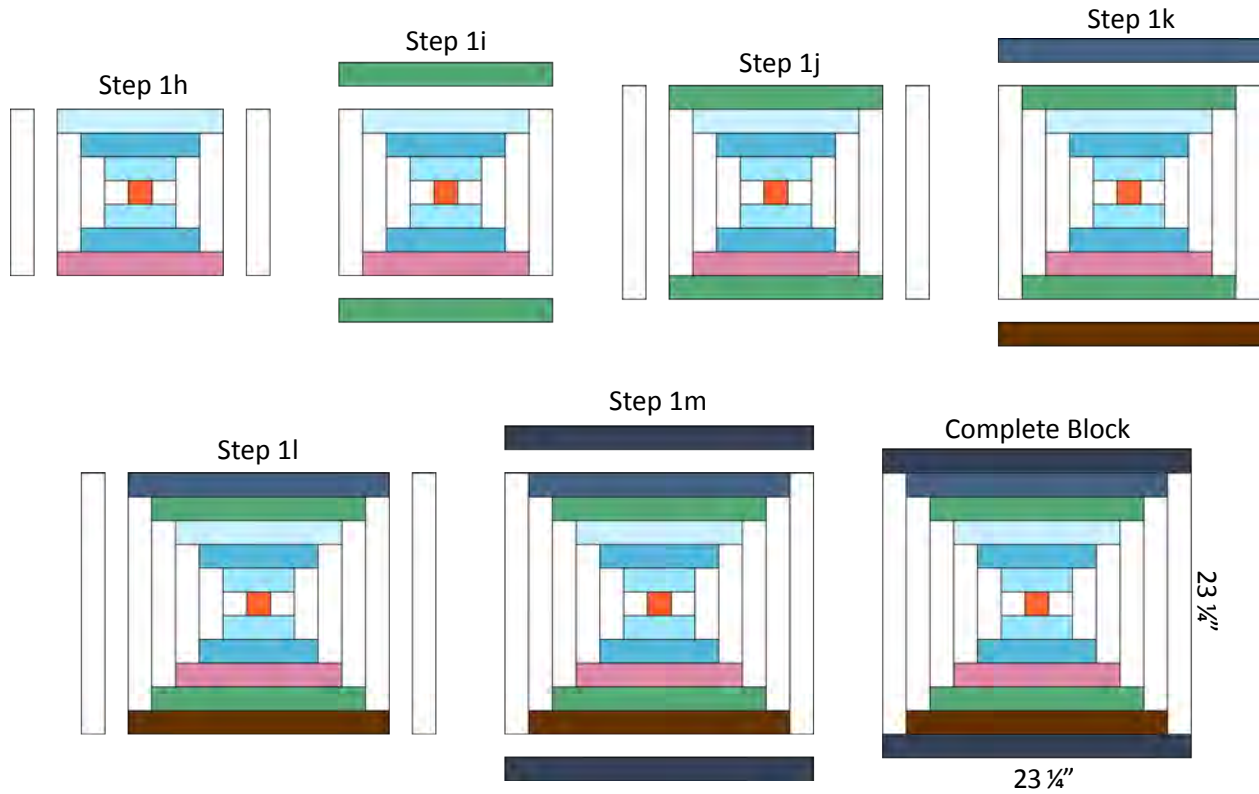
1. Courthouse Step Blocks are created by adding layers onto a center 2 1/4" square. Use the following guide and diagrams for the order in which to attach each layer and layer sizes. Press outward after attaching each layer. When attaching the outer layers which use long strips, it is recommended to use pins to help align the layer with the block center to prevent stretching or shifting. Refer to diagrams on Pages 4 and 5 for exact fabric placement.

- a. Begin with (1) 2 1/4" center square.
- b. Layer 1: Attach (1) 2 1/4" square to either side of the 2 1/4" center square.
- c. Layer 2: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 5 3/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center.
- d. Layer 3: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 5 3/4" strip to either side of the block center.
- e. Layer 4: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 9 1/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center.
- f. Layer 5: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 9 1/4" strip to either side of the block center.
- g. Layer 6: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 12 3/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center.
- h. Layer 7: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 12 3/4" strip to either side of the block center.
- i. Layer 8: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 16 1/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center.
- j. Layer 9: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 16 1/4" strip to either side of the block center.
- k. Layer 10: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 19 3/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center.
- l. Layer 11: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 19 3/4" strip to either side of the block center.
- m. Layer 12: Attach (1) 2 1/4" x 23 1/4" strip to the top and bottom of the block center to complete Courthouse Step Block assembly. The block should measure 23 1/4" x 23 1/4" unfinished.

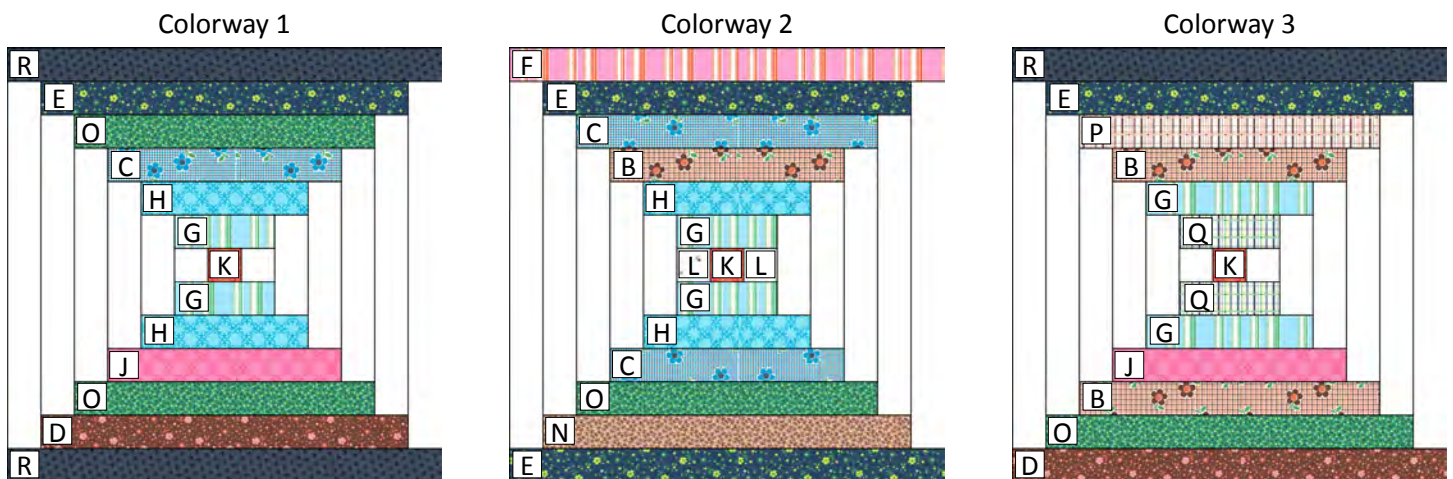




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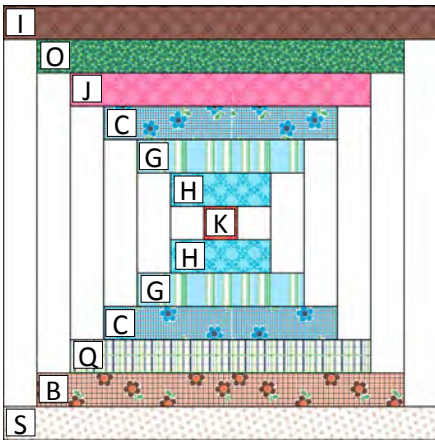
2. Repeat Courthouse Step Block assembly to create (9) block colorways (*Block Colorways 1-9*). Each colorway uses a unique combination of prints and print placement. Block Colorways 1-9 consistently use **Fabric A** squares/strips for the side layers (*with the exception of Colorway 2 which uses 2 1/4" Fabric L squares for Layer 1*). You may opt to complete (1) Block Colorway at a time to avoid confusion. Diagrams below are labeled for print placement. Create (1) of each Block Colorway 1-9.



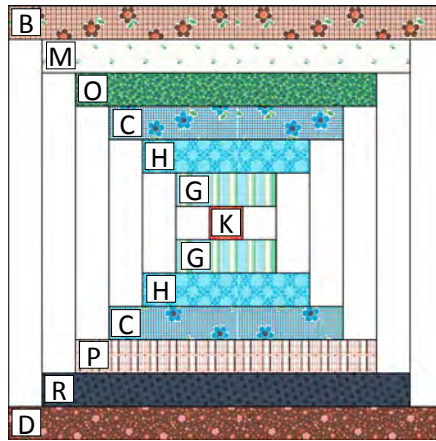


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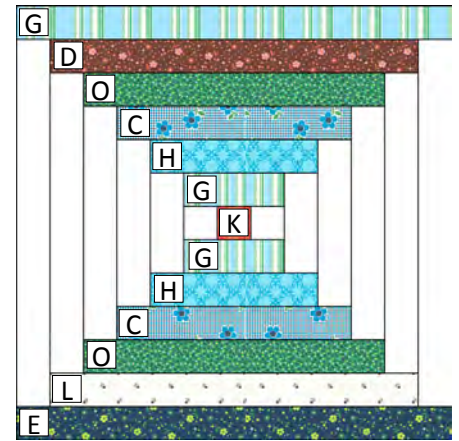
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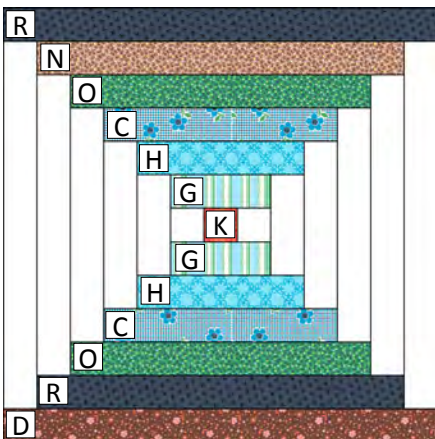
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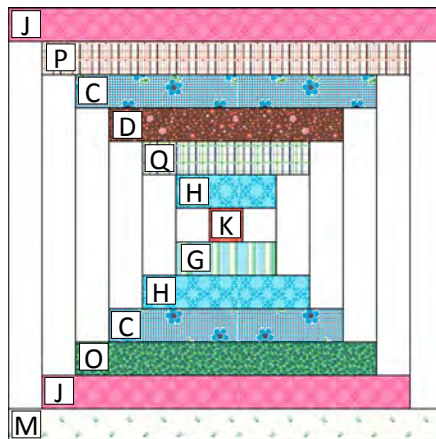
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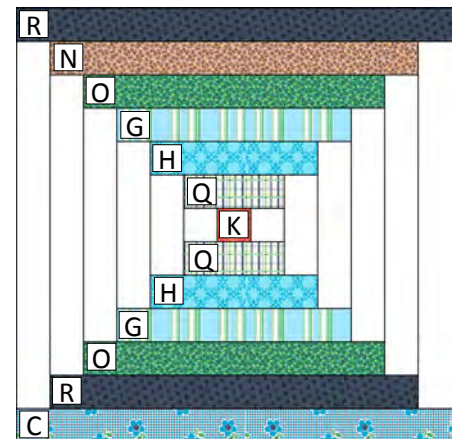
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Colorway 8



Colorway 9



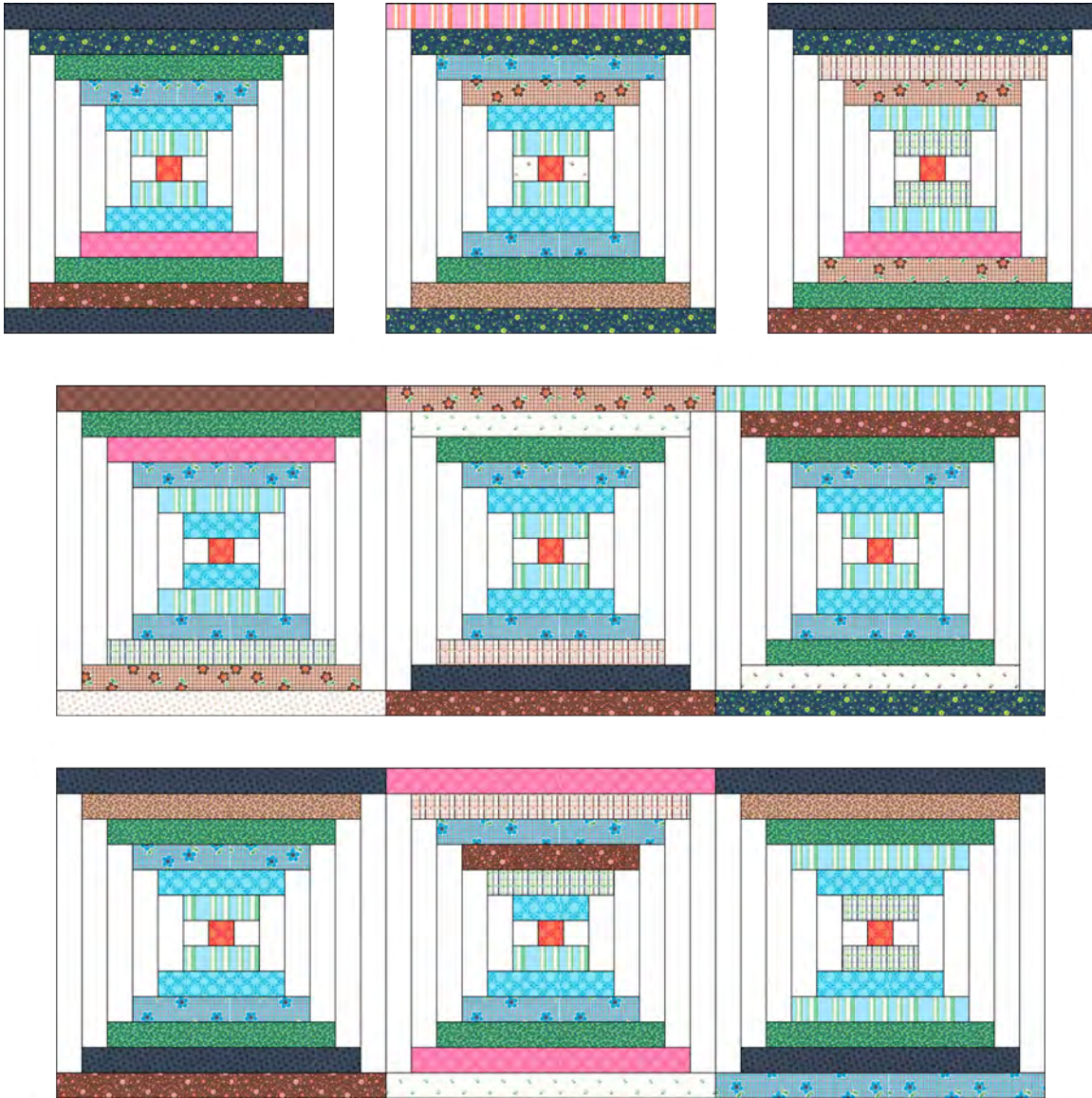
## QUILT ASSEMBLY:

3. Arrange Block Colorways 1-9 in a 3 x 3 grid and in numerical order. Ensure blocks are oriented correctly before proceeding.
4. Sew blocks together in horizontal rows first, alternating the direction in which you press the seams in each row. Then, sew horizontal rows together to complete the quilt top. The quilt top should measure 68 3/4" x 68 3/4" unfinished.





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## FINISHING THE QUILT:

5. Sandwich the quilt top with batting and backing. Baste quilt layers together.
6. Quilt as desired.
7. Bind quilt using (8) 2 1/4" x WOF **Fabric P** strips.