



Waiting for Spring Scrap Quilt

Welcome to the mystery quilt for the spring of 2012!

Maybe you are like me and waiting for the spring. You might also have some scraps lying around. So join me for this mystery quilt and let's wait for spring together!

Because this is going to be a mystery quilt, some things will be a surprise until the end. You will get a new clue every 2 weeks, and a total of 4 times. So after 2 months you will have all the clues.

Some things I can tell you:

We will be making a lap quilt: 126 x172 cm or 49x67 inch

The quilt is made out of 2 different blocks and they are 4,5 inch each.

The quilt will be playing with light and dark, so you need to split you scraps into light and dark. (I recommend the light to be very light like a background fabric. I used all my beige fabrics since my dark fabrics are my pastels. Use the same kind of color contrasts if you were making a quilt with star blocks)

The technique I will be describing is for the machine but I will be giving finished sizes so you can make it by hand if you want.

We will be starting with cutting the biggest pieces and work our way down to smaller and smaller scraps. The biggest piece you need is of your dark fabrics: 3x8 inch. The smallest pieces are 1 inch. Please note: when you are cutting your scraps, try and cut in a way so that you can keep pieces left that are as long as possible. For the next clue you will need to cut strips and it would be a shame if you can't use your scraps later!

All the sizes are with a ¼ inch seam allowance.

Since we are working with scraps you will need to make an insane amount of pieces sometimes. But the result is worth it!



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Clue 1

We are making 2 different blocks: called block A and B
You will need to make 82 blocks A and 83 blocks B
It is smart to make different piles, use plastic bags or boxes to keep everything neat until we need everything.

Cut for Block A:

Out of your light fabrics cut:

328 squares 2" x 2" inch

Put these aside until you get the next clue for block A

Cut for block B:

Out of your light fabrics
166 squares 3" x 3" inch

Out of your dark fabrics

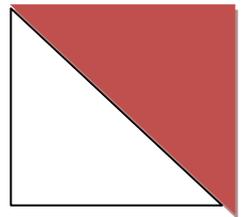
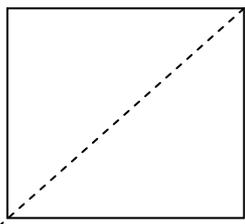
You will need to cut 2 squares 3" x 3" inch and

1 square that is 2" x 2" inch
out of the same fabric.

Put them together with a pin so they stay matched as a set.

You will need to make 83 sets

Put a light 3 inch square and a dark 3 inch square right sides together. You will have 2 squares that are out of the same dark fabric but they don't have to be matched with the same beige background fabrics. Draw a diagonal line and sew on each side with a $\frac{1}{4}$ seam allowance. Cut on the line so you will get a square with 2 triangles.



Do this with all your 3 inch squares. Trim them so they are 2 inch finished. Match them together as a set again with the 2 inch square. You will need a total of 83 sets, these are for block B.

Save this for the next clue Friday 16 of March!

Enjoy!

Please let me know on my blog if you have joined me! I would love to see what you are doing. (pinkandbarbara.typepad.com)

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