

Years To Come Tablerunner



Here's a quick table runner that will give you a chance to perfect your piecing skills. Finishes to approximately 20" x 55".

From the 3/4 yd dark, cut

- 4 strips 3" wide x the width of the fabric for the blocks
- 4 strips 3 1/2" wide X the width of the fabric for the border

From the 1/2 yd light, cut

- 3 strips 3" wide x the width of the fabric for the blocks
- 2 strips 3 1/2" wide x the width of the fabric. From this, cut (3) 3 1/2" blocks. Cut the remainder of the strip down to 3" wide.

From the 1/2 yd accent, cut:

- 3 strips 2" wide x the width of the fabric for the first border
- 4 strips 2 1/2" wide x the width of the fabric for the binding

1. Sew the 3" strips together the long way and press the seam *open*. Use spray sizing when pressing the seam to help control bias cuts later on. One light strip won't be the full width of the fabric, but it doesn't matter.
2. From the two-part strips, cut 8 triangles. They will be about 11" long at the base. You will use one two part strip and part of another.
3. Sew the triangles into two spool blocks.
4. Cut (12) 5 1/2" squares from the remaining strips.
5. Sew the two-part squares right sides together by stitching a seam all the way around the outer edge. You are making a pillow with no way to get to the inside.
6. Cut the pillow on both diagonals, making an X. You will create four blocks, two half square triangle blocks and two quarter square triangle blocks. Square these up to 3 1/2" and press using sizing to help control the bias edges.
7. Make three Ohio Star Variation blocks as shown. Press.
8. Sew the five blocks in a row as shown above. Press and measure horizontally through the middle. Cut two accent strips to this length. Sew to both the top and the bottom, matching centers and easing to fit.
9. Repeat for the side border, and for the outer border. Cutting to strips to identical measurements forces the quilt top to be square.
10. Bat, back, quilt and enjoy!

