

Japanese Yen



This little 28" x 28" wall hanging will give you lots of practice making Half Square Triangle Blocks.

Fabric Requirements

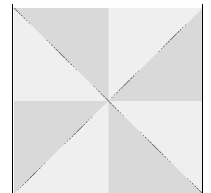
6 Fat Eights or 3 Fat Quarters of various Japanese prints

3/4 yard background fabric

1/4 yard fabric to be used as the center panel. Ours is a black print, but any large focus fabric can be used. Cut this fabric into two pieces, each 8 1/2" x 20 1/2", fussy cutting the design so it is in the center.

Instructions

1. Use your favorite method to make 116 two inch (finished) half square triangle blocks. Press to the dark and clip off your dog ears.
2. Sew them into 29 pinwheels like the one to the right, randomly selecting colors. You may find it easier to press the center intersection seam open rather than trying to press it to one side.
3. Sew three groups of 5 pinwheels end to end. These will be your center and side strips.
4. Sew two groups of 7 pinwheels end to end. These will be your top and bottom strips.
5. Sew the 5 pinwheel strip to the long side of your 8 1/2" x 20 1/2" fussy cut design strip, matching the center of the strip with the center of the design strip. Use pins! The design strip and the pinwheel strip should match up exactly.
6. Sew the other design strip to the other side of this 5 pinwheel strip. You are creating the center of this quilt.
7. Sew the remaining 5 pinwheel strips to each side of your new top to make borders.
8. Sew the 7 pinwheel strip to the top and bottom of your new top, matching the seams of the side and middle pinwheels. Use pins!
9. Press from the back to make sure you don't have any twisted seams.
10. Bat, back and quilt as desired.
11. Add a label and admire!



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