

Golden Triangle Quilt Guild

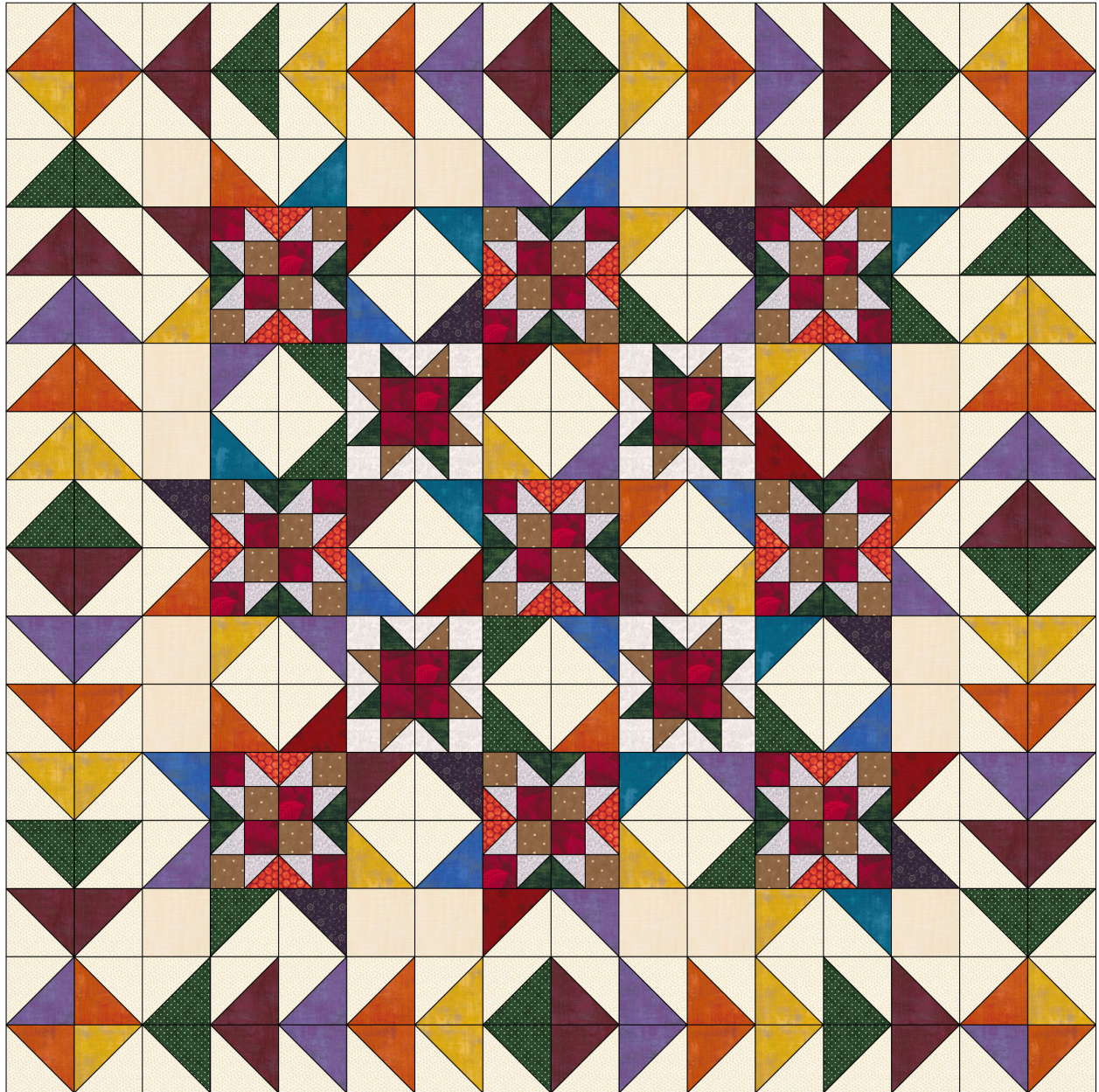
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ASSEMBLING THE BORDER

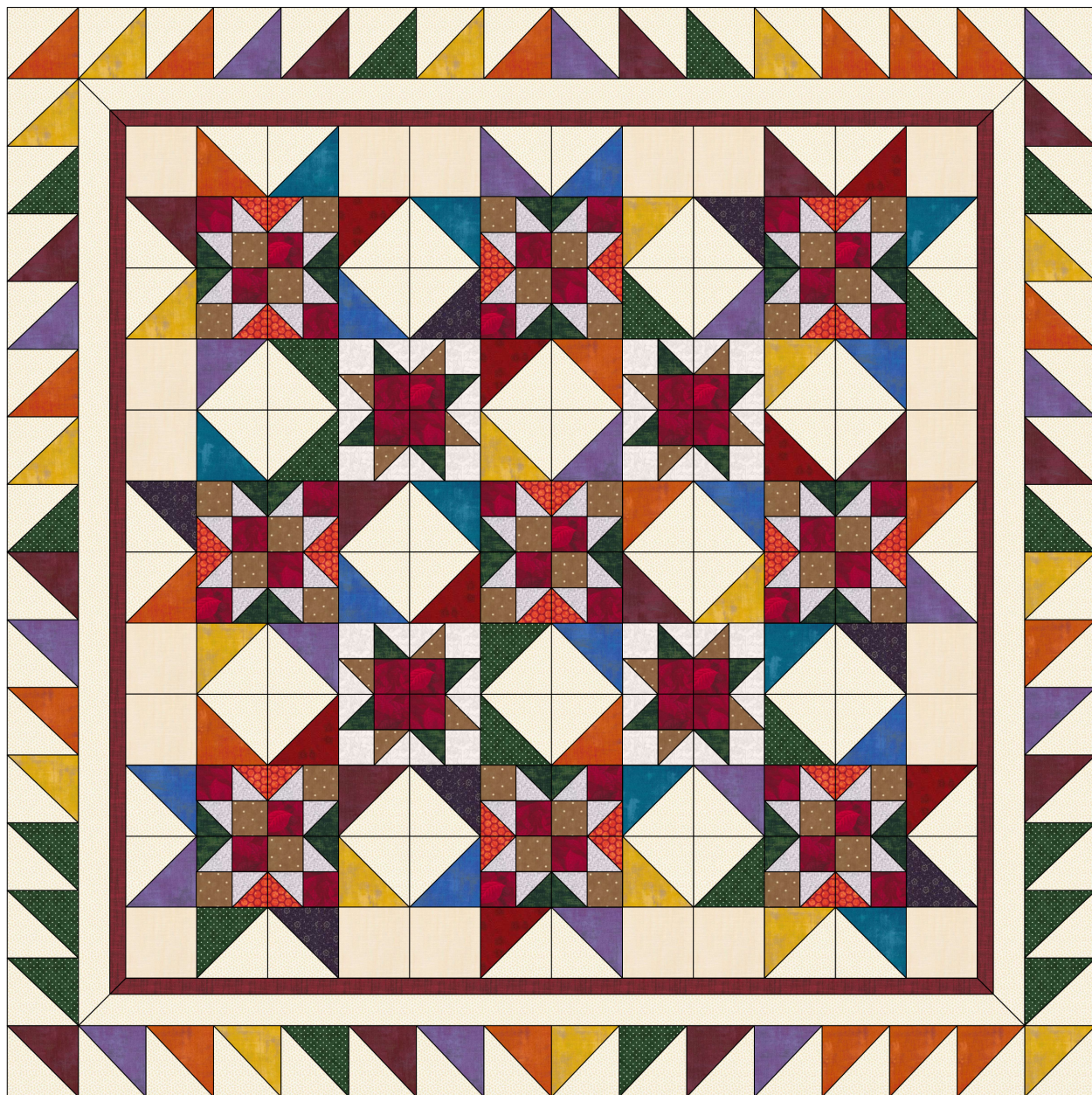
It's decision time you have two options for the border.

OPTION 1



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OPTION 2



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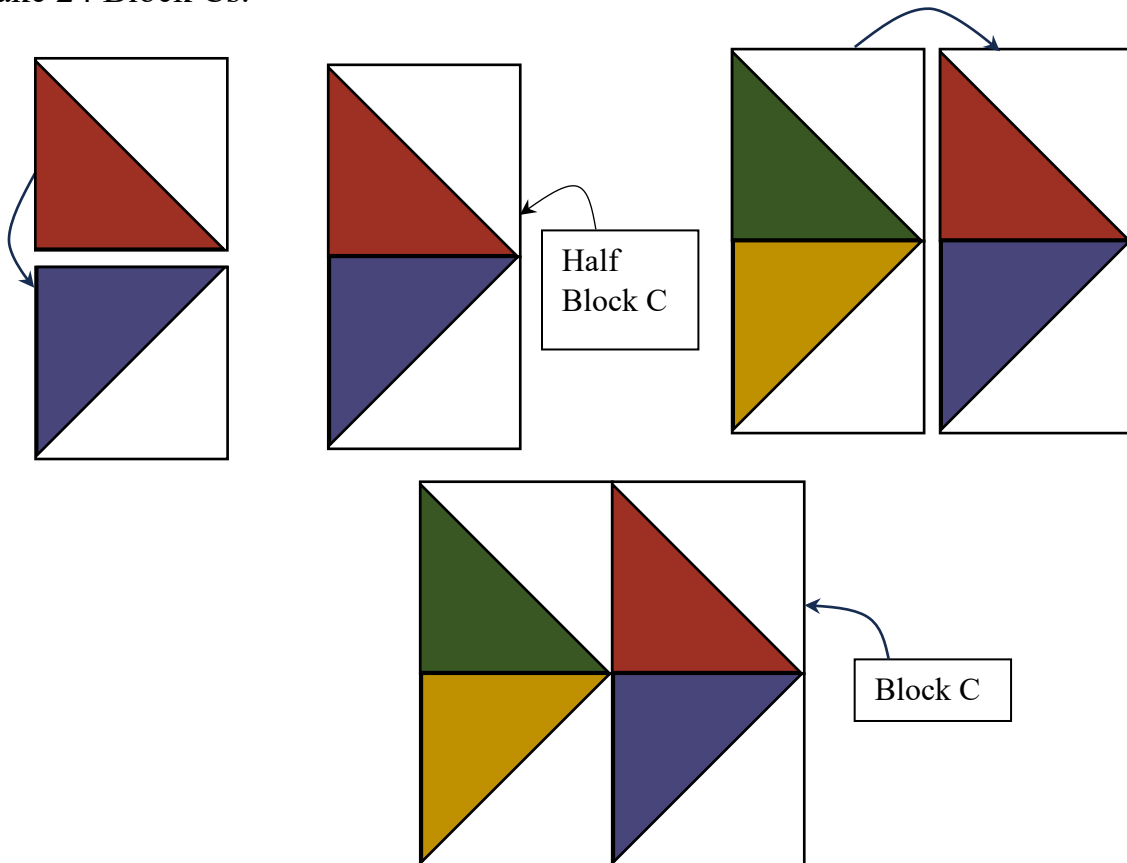
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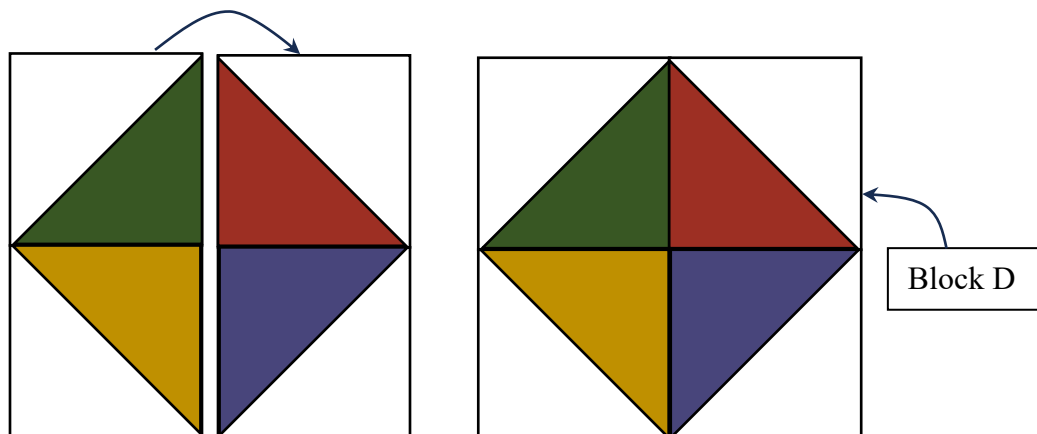
ASSEMBLING BLOCK C

Lay out 2 large half square triangles of various prints. Lay out according to diagram. Assemble Half Block C. Make 56 Half Blocks. Using 48 Half Blocks make 24 Block Cs.



ASSEMBLING BLOCK D

Layout 2 of **Half Block C** blocks of various prints. Lay out according to diagram. Assemble Block D. Make 4. Finished size is 8.5 X 8.5



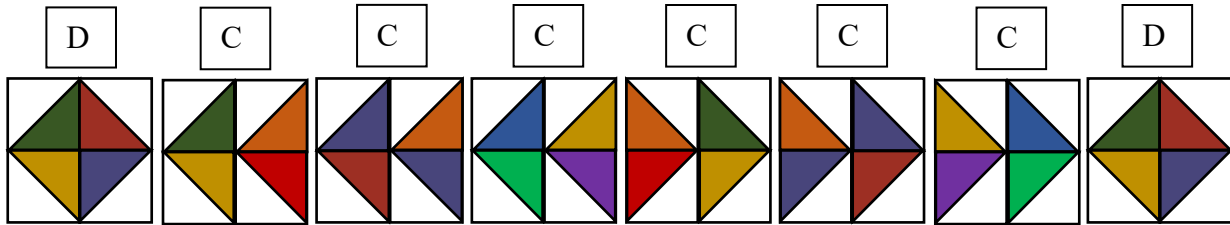
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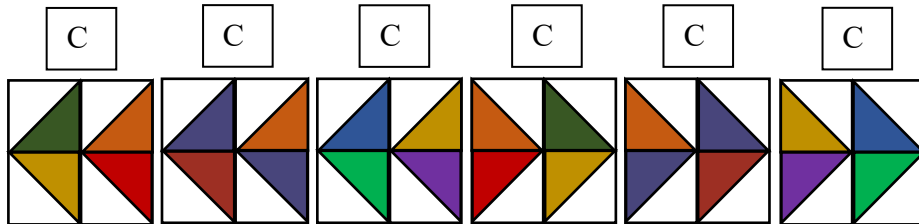
TOP AND BOTTOM BORDERS

Layout Blocks C and D noting the orientation of each block below. Sew the blocks together. Make 2 one for the top and one for the bottom border.



SIDE BORDER

Layout Block C noting the orientation of each block below. Sew the blocks together. Make 2 one for each side.



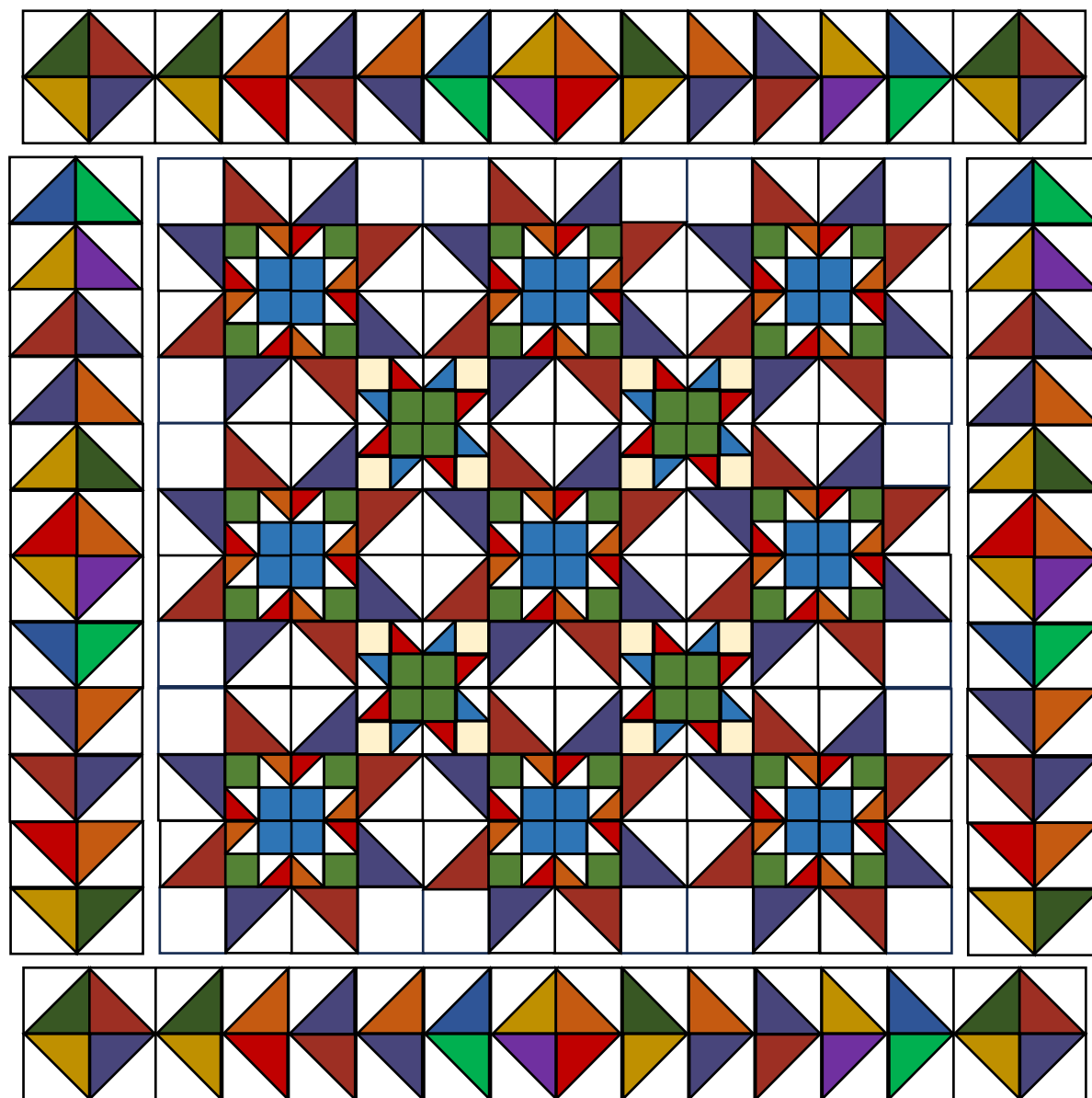
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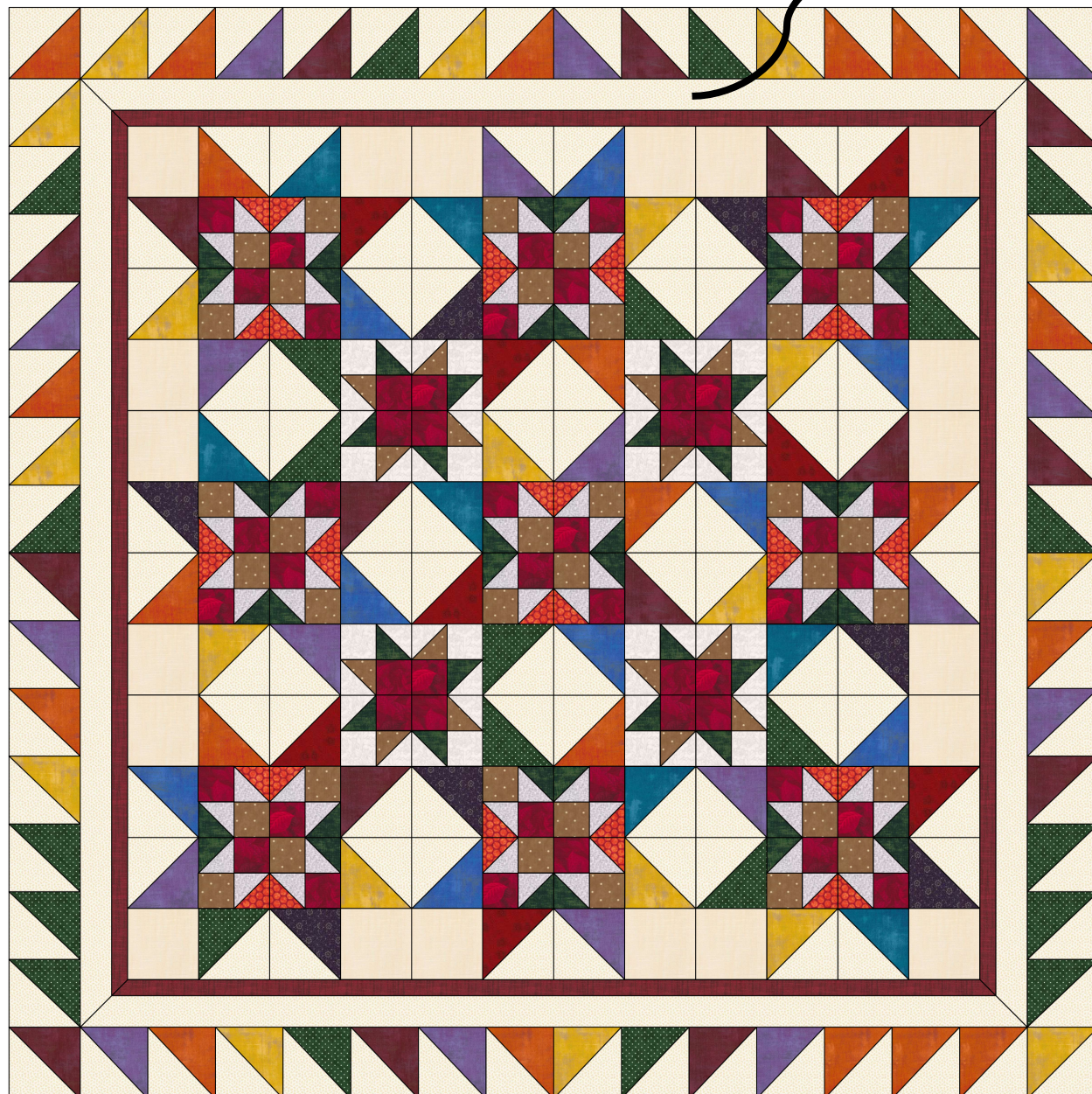
Add side border and then top and bottom.



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Two-piece floater border

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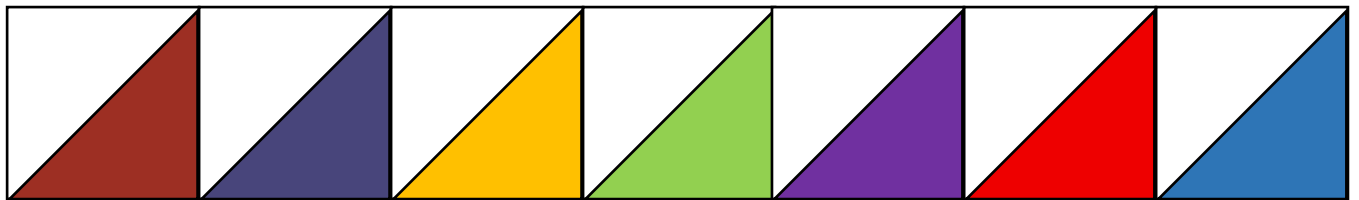
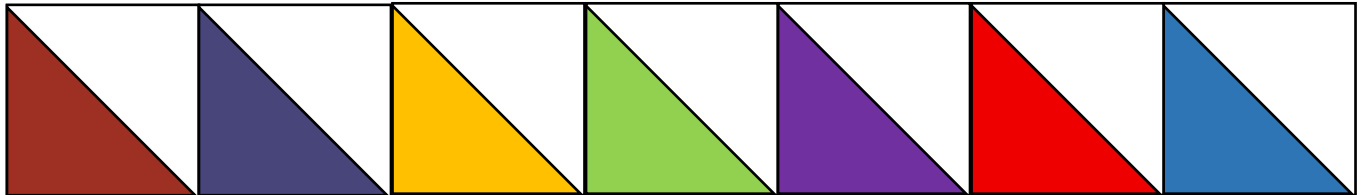


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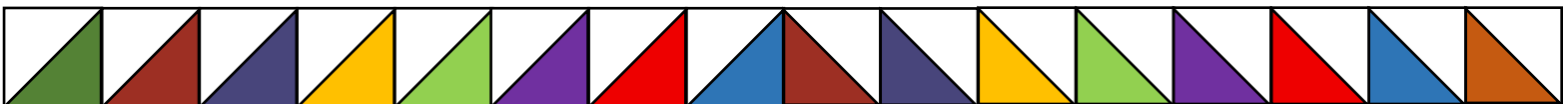
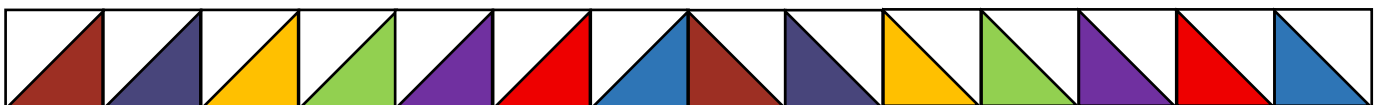
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Sew 7-4.5 half square triangles together according to the following diagrams make four of each set.



Sew set together to have a total of four pieces. Sew another 4.5-inch half square triangle to each end of **two** of the strips for the top and bottom. Now you should have one for top and bottom and one for each side. They will not fit the quilt center.



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Now we need to calculate and make our floater border so our pieced border will fit our quilt center.

This set of instructions are from Winnie Fleming "Floater Border".

1. Measure the short, pieced border, from above (one for the sides). Write the measurement down below.
2. Measure the center of the quilt in three places and take the average and write it down below.

Now we can calculate the width of the floater border

Pieced border length _____

Minus the average quilt center measurement _____

Divide by 2 _____ add $\frac{1}{2}$ inch = _____. This is the total width to cut floater borders. This border can be divided into two separate pieces just don't forget to add a seam allowance if you use multiple fabrics.

For example: my pieced border length is 56.25-inches minus average quilt center measurement of 48-inches equals 8.25 divided by 2 + .5 equals 4.625(4 $\frac{5}{8}$). I made the floater border in two pieces cream was cut 3.25 and red was cut 1.875(1 $\frac{7}{8}$). Sewing the two strips together equals 4.625(4 $\frac{5}{8}$).

If you want mitered borders like pictured, you will need to make one more calculation. You can only have miter corners if your quilt is square which ours are.

To find the length to cut the floater border

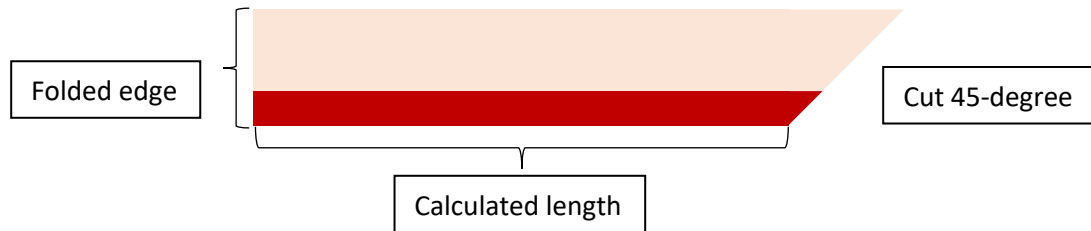
1. Average quilt center measurement _____
2. Minus $\frac{1}{4}$ inch _____ then divided by two _____.

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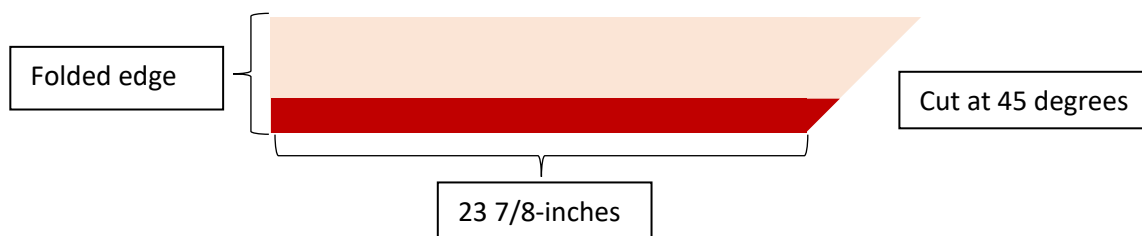
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Fold your floater border in half and measure from the fold and cut outward at a 45-degree angle. Cut one for each side of your quilt



Example: my quilt average center measurement is 48-inches minus .25 equals 47.25 divided by 2 equals 23.875 (23 7/8).



Mark each lower corner .25-inch from the edge, this will be your stopping point when sewing. Also mark .25-inch on each corner of the center of the quilt. Line up .25-inch marks and pin together. Sew opposite sides on first backstitch at the .25-inch marks. Sew top on again stopping at the .25-inch marks. Sew the diagonals being careful not to stretch. Repeat with the bottom.



Sew pieced borders on after floater borders are on the quilt.
Hope you have enjoyed this little mystery, bring them for show and tell!!