



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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FINISHED QUILT SIZE: 41" X 69"  
BLOCK SIZE: 9"

### WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Fabric A - 1 yd #26711 holly for blocks
- Fabric B - 1-1/2 yd #26716-1 red for blocks and binding
- Fabric C - 1/2 yd #26717-2 green for narrow borders
- Fabric D - 1-1/2 yd #26709-1 red stripe for borders
- Fabric E - 1/2 yd #26710 greetings print for postcards
- Fabric F - 2-1/4 yd #26712 trees for backing
- Cotton batting
- 4 yds 3-1/16" gold wire ribbon
- Kandi crystal glue gun and crystals in red, green, gold and white
- Red thread for quilting
- Gold thread for finishing sides of cards
- 1/4 yard "Tintex" or other stiff interfacing for cards



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## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

### Nine Patch Blocks

Fabric A: (4) strips 3-1/2" x width of fabric

Fabric B: (5) strips 3-1/2" x width of fabric

### Snowball Blocks

Fabric A: (3) strips 3-1/2" x width of fabric;  
re-cut into 3-1/2" squares

Fabric B: (7) 9-1/2" squares

### Borders

Fabric C: (5) strips 1-1/2" x width of fabric

Fabric D: (2) strips 6-1/2" x 47-1/2" along vertical  
length of fabric for vertical borders  
(2) strips 6-1/2" x 41-1/2" along  
vertical length of fabric for horizontal borders

### Binding

Fabric B: (6) strips 2-1/4" x width of fabric

### Postcards

Fabric E: Cut out 7 different cards along the edges  
of each print

Fabric A and Interfacing: Cut 7 postcard backs and interfacing  
to the same size as each of the print cards

Cut 7 gold ribbons 18" long

### Backing and Hanging Pocket

Fabric F: (1) 8-1/2" x width of fabric strip for  
hanging pocket

(1) width of fabric x 72" strip

**Sewing:** All seams are 1/4". Press all seams as you sew.

### Block Assembly

1. Nine Patch Blocks: Sew the strips together as follows: red/holly/red to make two units and holly/red/holly to make 1 unit. Press seams towards red fabric. Re-cut the units at 3-1/2" intervals to make block rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block. Make 8. (See Fig. 1)
2. Snowball Blocks: Place a Fabric A square in each corner of the large Fabric B squares. Sew in a diagonal line from corner to corner as shown. Trim away excess fabric 1/4" from the seam line. Fold the remaining triangle out and press. Make 7. (See Figure 2)

### Quilt Top Assembly

3. The blocks are sewn together checkerboard style alternating the Nine Patch blocks with the Snowball Blocks. There are 5 rows of 3 blocks each. Odd numbered rows have 2 Nine Patch blocks and 1 Snowball block. Even numbered rows have 2 Snowball blocks and 1 Nine Patch block. Sew rows together.

Figure 1

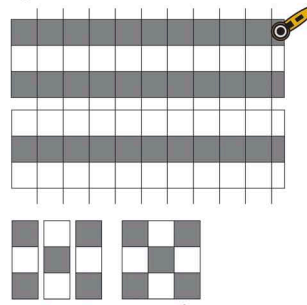


Figure 2

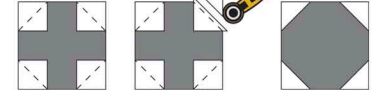
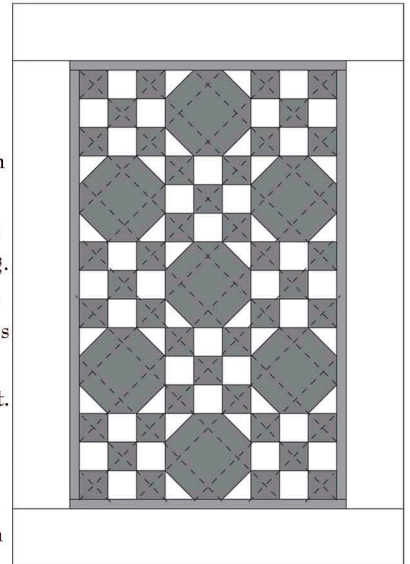


Figure 3



4. Sew 3 strips of narrow green Fabric C borders together at the short ends and re-cut into (2) strips 45-1/2" long. Sew to opposite sides of the quilt. Cut remaining 2 strips Fabric C to 29-1/2" and sew to top and bottom of quilt.
5. Sew the Fabric D vertical borders to opposite sides of the quilt and the horizontal borders to the top and bottom of the quilt. (See Figure 3)

### Finishing

6. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing. Quilt the center of the quilt in diagonal lines using red thread. Using ivory thread quilt in the ditch around both sides of the narrow borders. Using the stripe print as a guide, quilt the outside borders in lines perpendicular to the narrow borders to the outside edges at approximately 2" intervals.
7. Sew the binding together into one long strip. Fold in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press the fold line. Pin the binding to the front of the quilt with raw edges together. Fold the hanging pocket in half lengthwise and position at the top of the quilt with raw edges matching. Sew the binding around all the edges catching the hanging pocket at the top as you sew. Turn the folded edge of the binding to the back and stitch in place. Sew the bottom folded edge of the hanging pocket in place by hand taking care to catch only the backing fabric and quilt batting so the stitching does not show through to the top.

### Christmas Cards

8. Layer the card, "Timtex" and backing fabrics. Using a narrow zig-zag stitch, sew all 3 layers together around the outside edges. Do minimal quilting around the figures in each. Add crystals sparsely to give sparkle.
9. Position each card in the center of a Snowball block. Refer to the photo for placement of the cards on the quilt. Place the center of a ribbon in the top left corner of each card and zig-zag stitch in place at the center point only, going over the same spot several times to secure. Sew all 7 cards in this manner. Tie the ribbons into bows and use the wire to form a pretty shape in each bow.