

# “Hooting in the Rain”

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Featuring the “Spring Showers” collection for Windham Fabrics  
Finished Size: 52 x 52”



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
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Yardages are based on 40” wide fabric. All seams are 1/4” unless other noted.

Borders lengths are given the exact size. Allow extra for differences in piecing.

Appliquéd owl has NO seams allowed for raw-edge appliqué. Add seams for turned edge appliqué.

Fabric	SKU	Yardage	Placement/Cutting for Quilt
White on white	32190-3	1 1/3 yds	<b>Blocks</b> - Cut 4 strips 5 7/8” x WOF. Cut 24 - 5 7/8” squares. Cut each in half diagonally. <b>Appliqué background</b> - Starch or size well then cut 1 square - 22” x 22”. This will be trimmed to size later. <b>Appliqué</b> - Owl eyes. Cut from template.
	38958-1	3/4 yd	<b>Blocks</b> - Cut 1 strip 6 1/4” x WOF. Cut 6 - 6 1/4” squares. Cut each in half diagonally twice. <b>Binding</b> - Cut 6 strips 2 1/2” x WOF. Seam together with diagonal seams and press in half. Starch well.
	38958-7	1/4 yd	<b>Blocks</b> - Cut 1 strip 6 1/4” x WOF. Cut 6 - 6 1/4” squares. Cut each in half diagonally twice. <b>Appliqué</b> - Owl pupils. Cut from template.
	38954-X	1 5/8 yds	<b>Outer border</b> - Cut 2 strips lengthwise 46 1/2” x 3 1/2”. Cut 2 strips lengthwise 52 1/2” x 3 1/2”.
	38955-1	1/8 yd	<b>Appliqué</b> - Owl scarf. Cut from template.
	38955-2	3/8 yd	<b>Blocks</b> - Cut 1 strip 6 1/4” x WOF. Cut 6 - 6 1/4” squares. Cut each in half diagonally twice. <b>Appliqué</b> - Owl chest piece. Cut from template.
	38956-3	1/4 yd	<b>Blocks</b> - Cut 1 strip 6 1/4” x WOF. Cut 6 - 6 1/4” squares. Cut each in half diagonally twice.
	38958-8	1 1/3 yds	<b>Inner border</b> - Cut 2 strips lengthwise 40 1/2” x 3 1/2”. Cut 2 strips lengthwise 46 1/2” x 3 1/2”.
	38957-3	1/2 yd	<b>Appliqué</b> - Owl body. Cut from template.
 	38957-5	2 3/4 yds 1/8 yd w/o backing	<b>Backing</b> - Cut a 60” length from fabric. Divide remainder in half lengthwise. Sew together and sew to 60” piece. <b>Appliqué</b> - Owl eyelids. Cut from template from leftover backing.
Yellow/orange		Scrap	<b>Appliqué</b> - Owl beak. Cut from template.

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Super simple to make, with just enough appliqué to keep it interesting, this quilt will be well loved by the little girl in your life. (With just a little adaptation, you can make this for a little boy as well. Take the pink out of the blocks and put in blue. Change the scarf to blue. Bind with blue! You're done!)

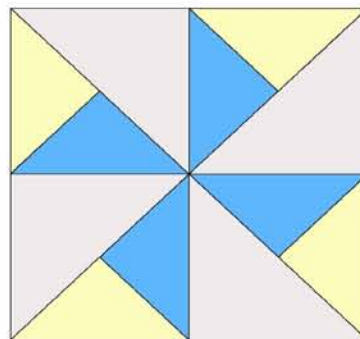
You need to make a decision before you get started, though. It's about the appliqué. If you want to feature the owl in the quilting, the appliqué needs to be done first. This is the way I've done it, so the instructions are written that way. If you want to do the appliqué at the end, ignore the beginning appliqué instructions, make the quilt, then do the appliqué after the quilt is finished.

## Appliqué Center -

1. On a scrap piece of white fabric, try raw edge appliquéing a sample. If it doesn't give you any trouble, skip the rest of this. If it does give you trouble, back with the lightest weight fusible you can find. A little stability is always a good thing!
2. The templates/layout are on the last page of the pattern. Take them to the copy shop and enlarge them about 200%. The little square should measure 1". There is room all around the appliqué on the block, so if it isn't perfect, no one but you and I will know, and I won't tell. The block finishes 20" square, so it has to be smaller than that.
3. Trace off each part of the owl to create separate patterns for each piece. Cut from lightweight fusible. Trim out the center of the fusible pieces leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{3}{8}$ " around the edge. Fuse to the fabric. Note! Cut the body in one piece and fuse everything to it.
4. When the owl is all together, center it on the 22" x 22" white square and fuse down. If you are doing this in the beginning, save the stitching for the quilting step.
5. Set the center aside.

## Making the Blocks -

1. There are 12 blocks placed around the center square. Six pink/green and six blue/yellow. They should look like this when done:



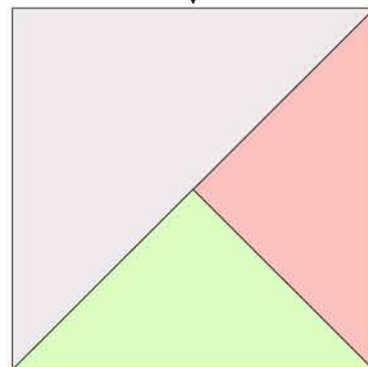
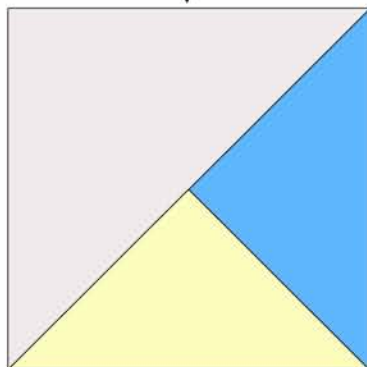
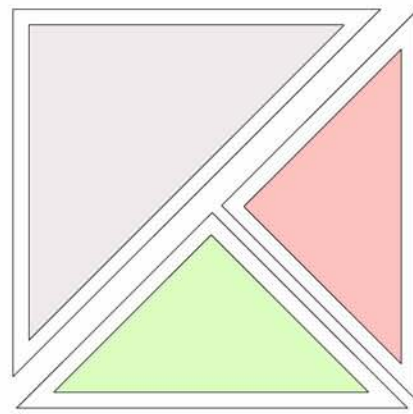
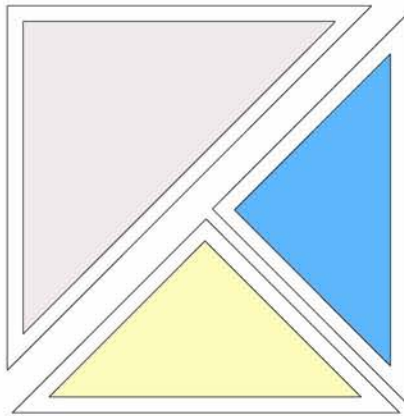
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2. Before you get all excited and start sewing squares together, note that you can't just sew two squares together and cut them apart. All the colors stay in the same place and are not mirrored!
3. Take all the colored quarter square triangles and put them in piles of the same color. Do the same with the white half square triangles.
4. Orient them in the directions shown below.
5. Chain piece the blue and yellow and the pink and green triangles together. Make sure that they are all the same! Press to the pink and the blue.
6. Sew each color set to a white triangle. Press to the white.
7. Make 24 of each color way.
8. Trim, if necessary, each pieced square to  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ".



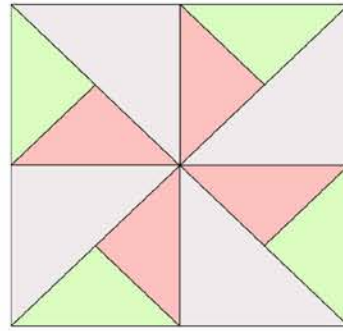
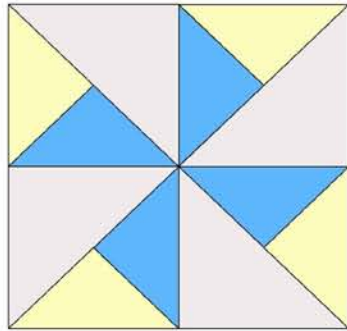
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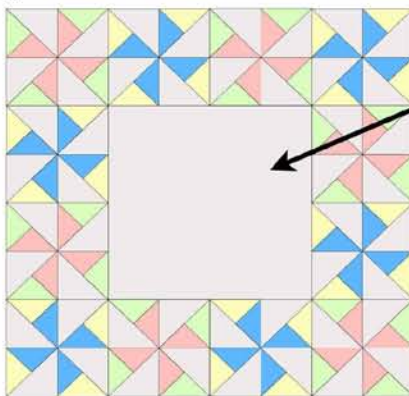
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8. Sew pairs of squares. Then sew two pairs of pairs as shown below to create the block.
9. Sew six blocks of each color way.
10. The finished block should measure  $10\frac{1}{2}$ ”.



12. Sew two sets of alternating colored blocks of four to make horizontal rows.
13. Sew two sets of alternating colored blocks of two to make vertical columns.
14. Triple check the measurement of the finished columns. If they do not measure  $20\frac{1}{2}$ ” vertically, make a note of what they do measure.
15. Triple check the measurement of the center two blocks of the horizontal rows. They should finish at 20”. If not, make a note, adding  $\frac{1}{2}$ ” for seams.
16. Centering the owl appliqué, trim the center square to match what your rows measure.
17. Sew on the two side columns and then the top and the bottom rows.
18. Your quilt should look like this:



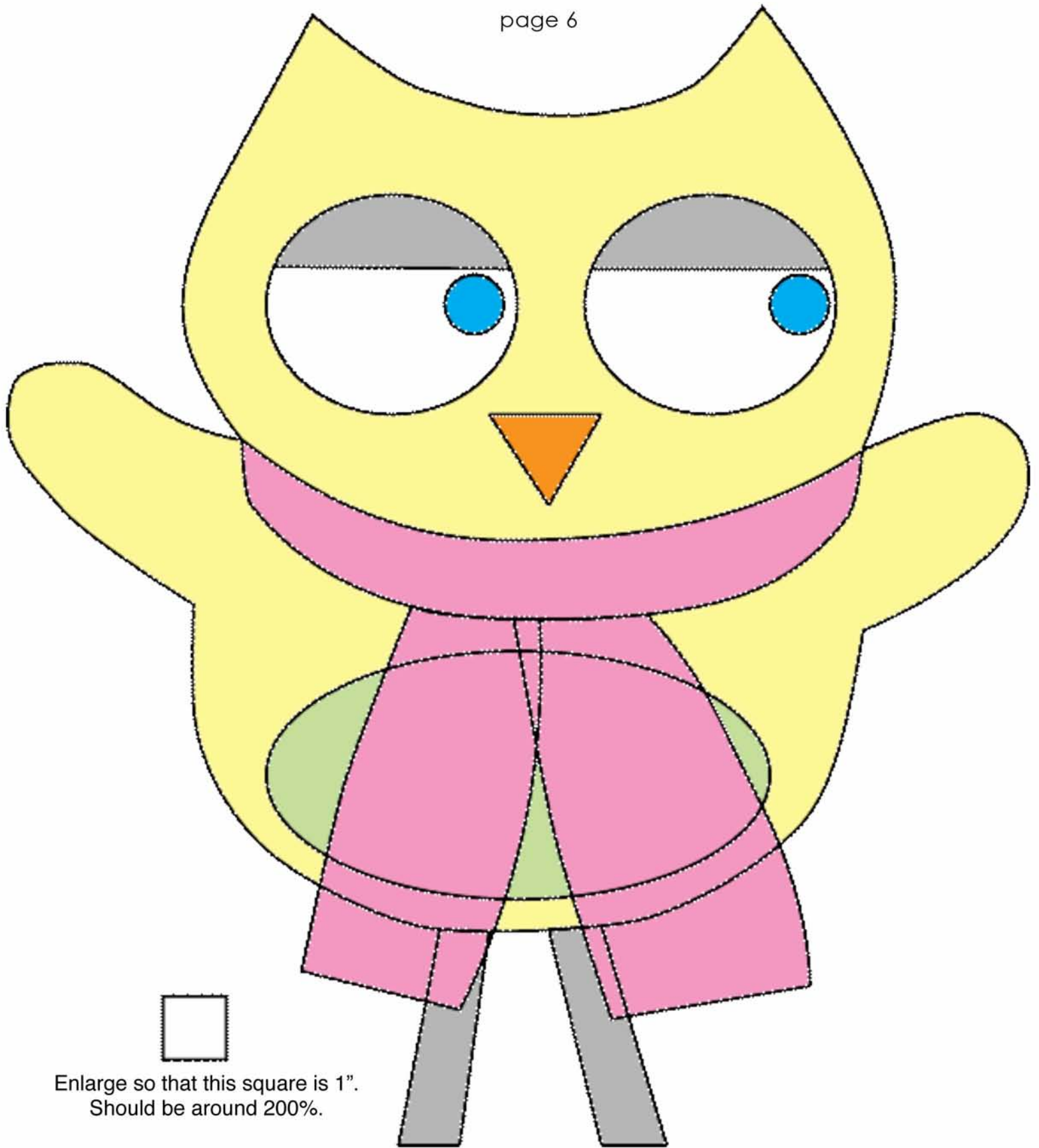
Should finish at  
20” square.

Should be at  
 $40\frac{1}{2}$ ”  
square.

19. Measure the finished center of the quilt. Cut the first border to fit. Add to the sides.
20. Measure the finished center with the side borders and cut the top and bottom to fit.
21. Do the same with the outer border.
22. Make the quilt sandwich and quilt as desired. Try quilting “feathers” into the body of the owl. Have fun!
23. Bind to finish.
24. Enjoy!

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Enlarge so that this square is 1".  
Should be around 200%.

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