

Web Bonus: Hometown USA

Designed and
Machine Quilted by
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Finished Wall
Quilt Size
32½" x 36½"

Number of Blocks and Finished Size
16 Friendship Star Blocks
3" x 3"
3 Short House Blocks
8" x 8"
3 Tall House Blocks
8" x 8"

Plan

This adorable little village is a wonderful project for your fabric stash. Play with assorted prints as you "build" each house.

The pieced outer border strips are made a bit long and then trimmed to fit the quilt center. The final red strips at each corner of the outer border may end up slightly wider or narrower than the other strips, depending on the accuracy of your sewing. Be sure to use an accurate *G* seam allowance throughout construction for best results.

Shop

White print (stars, outer border piecing)	½ yd.
Navy mottle (star background)	½ yd.
White/blue small print (sky)	¾ yd.
Red small check (chimneys)	7" x 8" piece
Yellow mottle (windows)	6" x 14" piece
Assorted prints (houses)	1-1¼ yds. total
Red texture (borders, binding)	7/8 yd.
Backing	1¾ yds.
Batting size	40" x 44"



Cut

(in order listed)
 □ = cut in half diagonally
 ☒ = cut in half twice diagonally
 White print
 4 strips 1½" x width of fabric (WOF)
 4 squares 3½" x 3½"
 32 squares 1⅞" x 1⅞"
 4 strips 1⅝" x 3½"
 16 squares 1½" x 1½"
 Navy mottle
 16 squares 3½" x 3½"
 32 squares 1⅞" x 1⅞"
 64 squares 1½" x 1½"

White/blue small print
 2 squares 4⅞" x 4⅞" □
 2 squares 3⅞" x 3⅞" □
 2 squares 2⅞" x 2⅞" □
 3 strips 2½" x 5½"
 6 squares 2½" x 2½"
 3 squares 1½" x 1½"
 Red small check
 3 strips 1½" x 5"
 3 squares 1½" x 1½"
 Yellow mottle
 6 rectangles 1½" x 2"
 6 rectangles 1½" x 11"
 6 rectangles 1" x 2"

Assorted prints

For each Short House Block, cut:

- Roof
 - 1 strip $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$
- House

- 1 square $2\frac{7}{8}'' \times 2\frac{7}{8}''$ ☒
- 1 square $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$
- 2 strips $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$
- 1 strip $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$
- 2 rectangles $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2''$
- 1 rectangle $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2''$
- 6 rectangles $1'' \times 2''$

- Door
 - 1 strip $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$

For each Tall House Block, cut:

- Roof
 - 1 square $9\frac{1}{4}'' \times 9\frac{1}{4}''$ ☒
 - (1 triangle used)
- House

- 1 strip $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$
- 2 rectangles $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{3}{4}''$
- 4 rectangles $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$
- Door
 - 1 rectangle $2'' \times 3\frac{1}{8}''$

Red texture

- 4 strips $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times$ WOF (binding)
- 4 strips $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times$ WOF
- *4 strips $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 32''$
- *8 squares $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$

*Border strips and red squares include extra length for trimming.

Sew

1 Draw diagonal line on wrong side of white $1\frac{7}{8}''$ square. Place marked square on navy $1\frac{7}{8}''$ square, right sides together (Diagram I). Sew $\frac{1}{4}''$ seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked line. Open and press to make 2 pieced squares. Make 64.



Diagram I

2 Sew 3 rows using 4 navy and 1 white $1\frac{1}{2}''$ squares and 4 pieced squares (Diagram II). Sew rows together to make Friendship Star Block. Make 16.

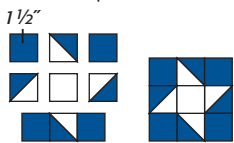


Diagram II

3 Note: The following instructions are for 1 Short House Block. Draw diagonal line on wrong side of 1 each house fabric and white/blue small print (sky) $2\frac{1}{2}''$ squares. Place marked squares on roof $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ strip, right sides together, aligning raw edges and watching direction of marked lines (Diagram III). Sew on marked lines. Trim away and discard excess fabric. Open and press to make roof.

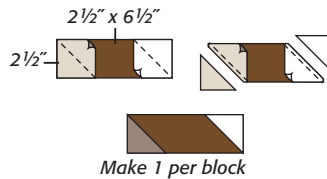


Diagram III

4 Referring to Diagrams IV-A and IV-B, arrange and sew 4 rows. Sew rows together to complete Short House Block (Diagram IV-C). Make 3 total.

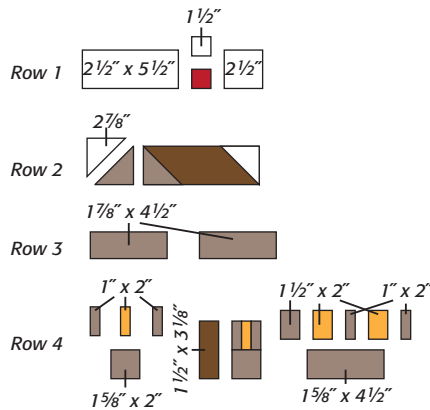


Diagram IV-A

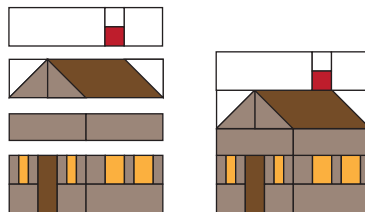


Diagram IV-B

Diagram IV-C

5 Note: The following instructions are for 1 Tall House Block. Sew together white/blue small print $3\frac{7}{8}''$ half-square triangle and red small check $5''$ strip to make chimney unit (Diagram V). Trim strip even with triangle. Make 2 of 1st orientation, and 1 of 2nd orientation.

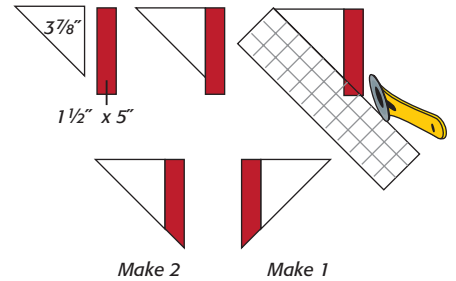


Diagram V

6 Referring to Diagram VI-A and VI-B, arrange and sew 3 rows. Sew rows together to make Large House Block (Diagram VI-C). Make 3 total.

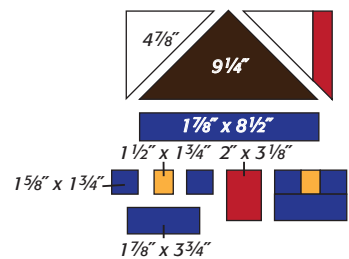


Diagram VI-A

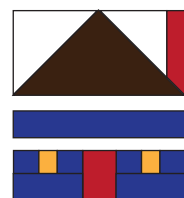
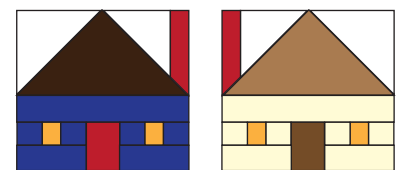


Diagram VI-B



Make 2 total

Make 1

Diagram VI-C

7 Referring to **Diagram VII**, sew together 2 white and 2 red

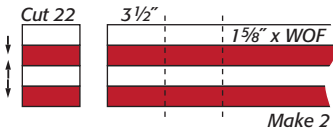


Diagram VII

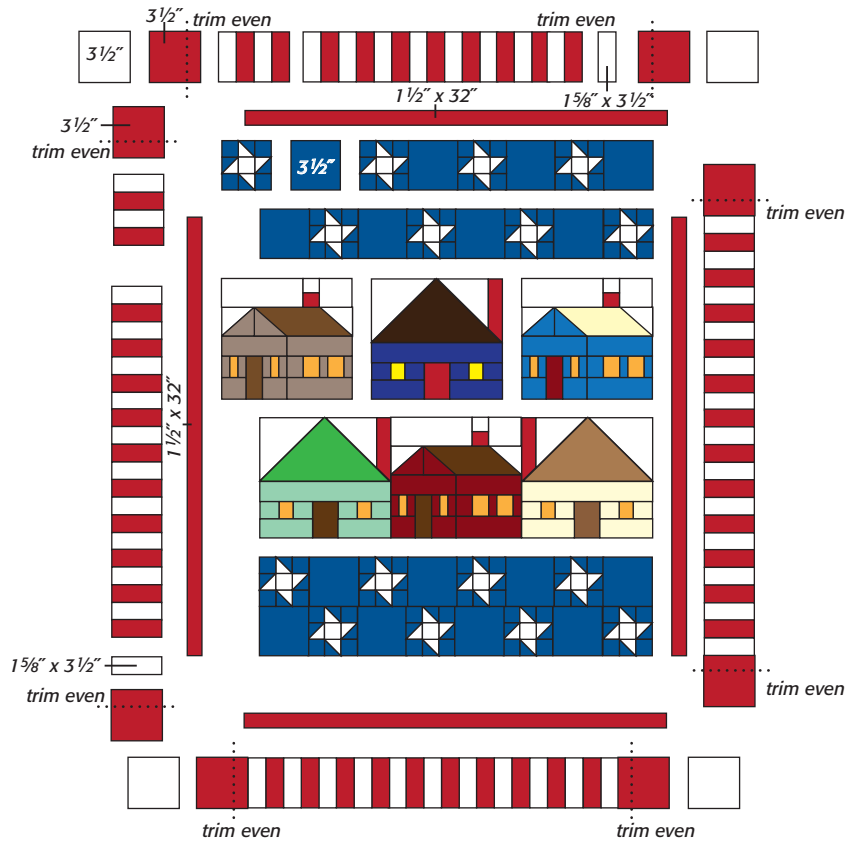
8 $1\frac{5}{8}$ " x WOF strips to make strip set. Make 2. Press in direction of arrows. Cut into 22 segments $3\frac{1}{2}$ " wide.

9 Note: Refer to the **Assembly Diagram** for following steps. Sew 4 rows of 4 Friendship Star Blocks and 4 navy $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares each. Stitch 2 rows of 3 house blocks each, alternating. Sew rows together.

10 Sew red 32" strips to sides; trim even with top and bottom. Stitch remaining red 32" strips to top/bottom; trim even with sides.

11 Sew together 5 segments and 1 white $1\frac{5}{8}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to make top/bottom border. Make 2. Stitch red $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares to ends. Measure width of quilt center from raw edge to raw edge. Trim top/bottom borders to this measurement. Stitch white $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares to ends. Sew together 6 segments and 1 white $1\frac{5}{8}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to make side border. Make 2. Stitch red $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares to ends. Sew borders to sides of quilt, centering. Trim even with top and bottom. Sew top/bottom borders to top and bottom.

12 Layer, baste, and quilt. Cheryl machine quilted a meander in the star backgrounds and sky, and detail quilted the houses. The red border is quilted with 2 parallel lines, and the outer border piecing is quilted in the ditch. Bind with red texture.



Assembly Diagram

Designer Information

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