

"Granny Square Tree Skirt"

A Fort Worth Fabric Studio Pattern

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Finished size: 39" x 39"

This Christmas Tree Skirt is made from the traditional granny square block. The blocks are constructed on point, and trimmed down to create the granny square. This pattern can also be used for a quilt. You can make your skirt or quilt bigger by adding more blocks.

Read all instructions before starting. All seam allowances are a scant 1/4".

Fabric Requirements:

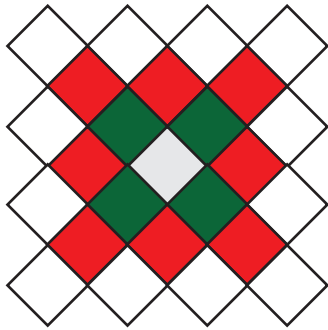
- (3 different prints) - 7" x WOF red
- (3 different prints)- 7" x WOF green
- (1 print) - 7" x WOF granny square centers
- 1.5 yards background
- 5/8 yard binding
- 1.5 yards backing

Before cutting, decide how scrappy you want your blocks. It might be helpful to plan out each block if you are more particular on placement. If a scrappier look is preferred, simply cut out 56 red squares and 48 green squares, without planning which squares go into each block.

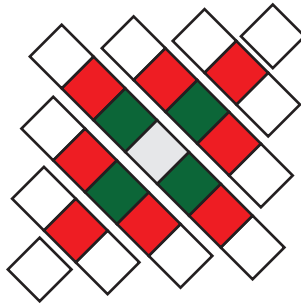
Cutting Requirements:

- (56) - 3" red squares
- (48) - 3" green squares
- (9) - 3" squares for block centers
- (108) - 3" background squares
- (8) - 2.5" X WOF strips from background
 - Subcut (6) 2.5" X 11.25" strips for sashing
 - (4) 2.5" X 38" strips for horizontal sashing
 - (2) 2.5" X 42" strips for vertical sashing (sides)

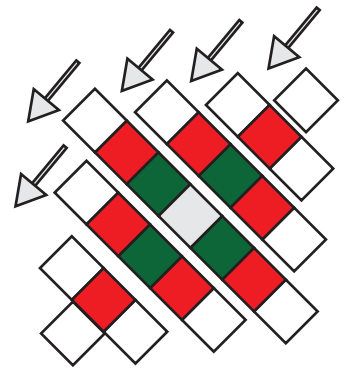
Block Assembly



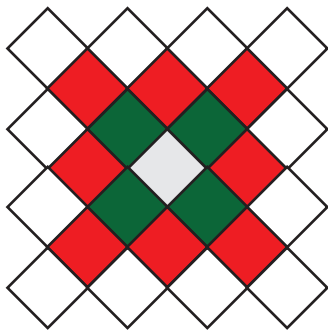
You will need the following for each block:
 12 background squares
 12 colored squares
 1 center square
 Layout block as pictured.



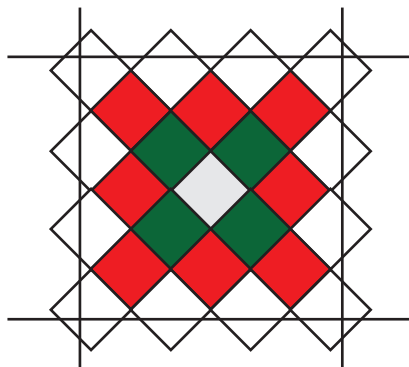
Assemble rows.



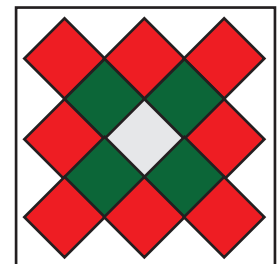
Sew rows together: Match the center squares on each row.



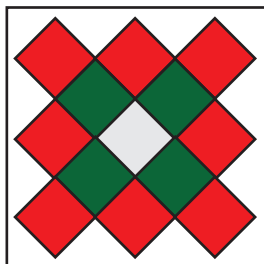
Once all rows are sewn together, the block should look like this. We will now trim off the edges, so the block is square.



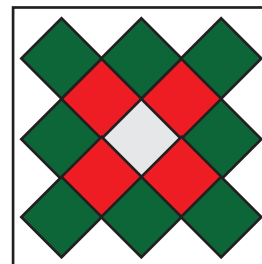
Using a rotary cutter and ruler: line up ruler **1/4" from outer seams**. Trim off the excess. Trim as shown, so that points will be visible after stitching blocks together!



The block should look like this once you've trimmed off the excess background fabric. Block should measure 11.25" x 11.25"



You need 5 blocks with the red outer squares



You need 4 blocks with the green outer squares

Assembly

1. Lay blocks in a 3 x 3 layout, alternating red and green blocks.
2. Sew blocks together in rows of three, adding a 2.5" X 11.25" sashing strip between each block.
3. Sew a 2.5" x 38" sashing strip between each row and also on the top and bottom. Trim excess.
4. Sew a 2.5" x 42" sashing strip on the left and right side. Trim excess.
5. Press.
6. Baste and quilt your quilt with your preferred method.
7. TREE SKIRT (OPTIONAL): After quilting, cut a circle out of the center of the quilt, and slice out a 1" section from quilt edge to the circle.
8. Bind quilt with your preferred method. You will bind all raw edges, including the circle and the slit you made for the opening. *When binding around the circle, it helps to pin around the entire circle!

