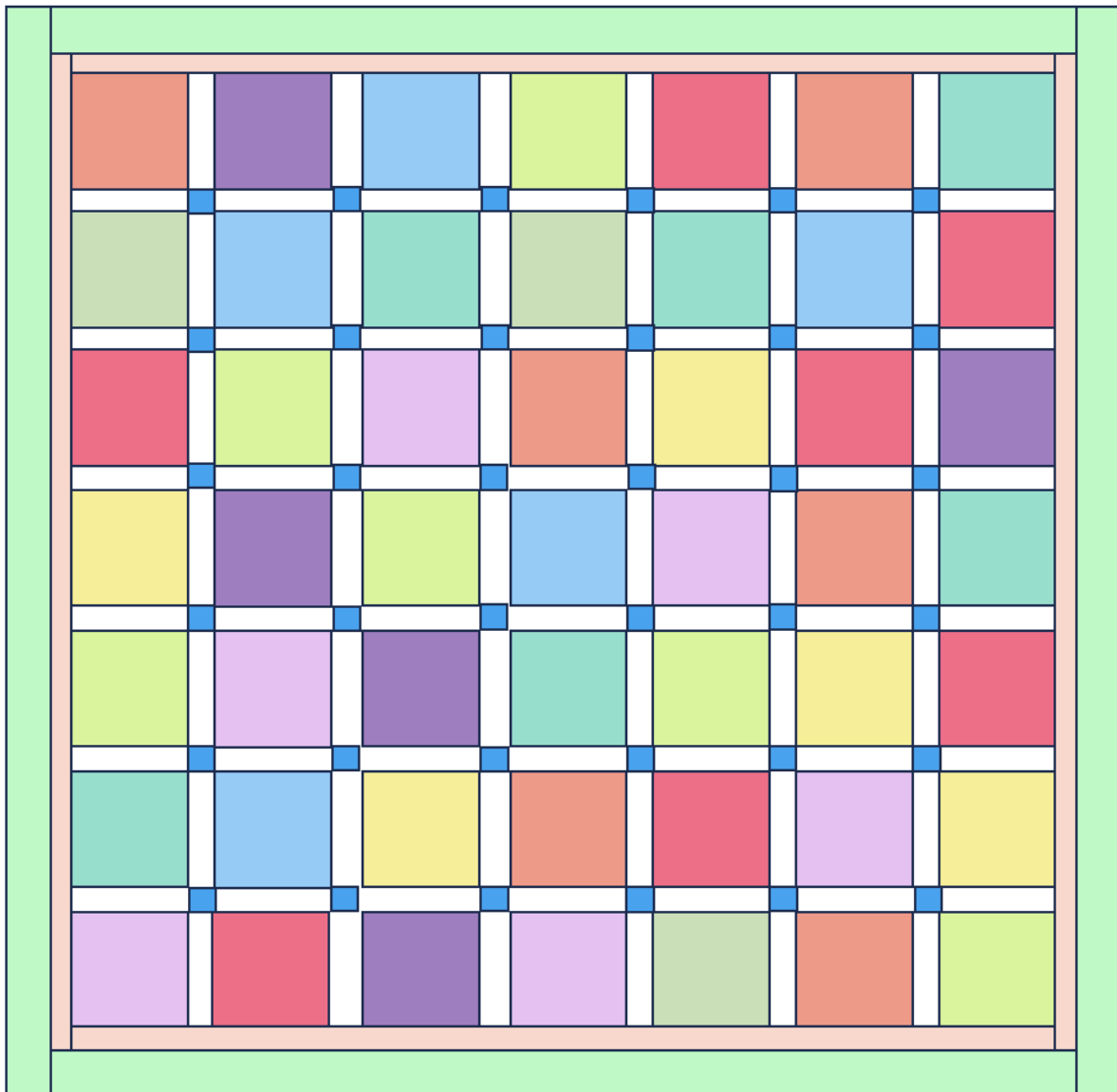




SLO Blocks Quilt Pattern



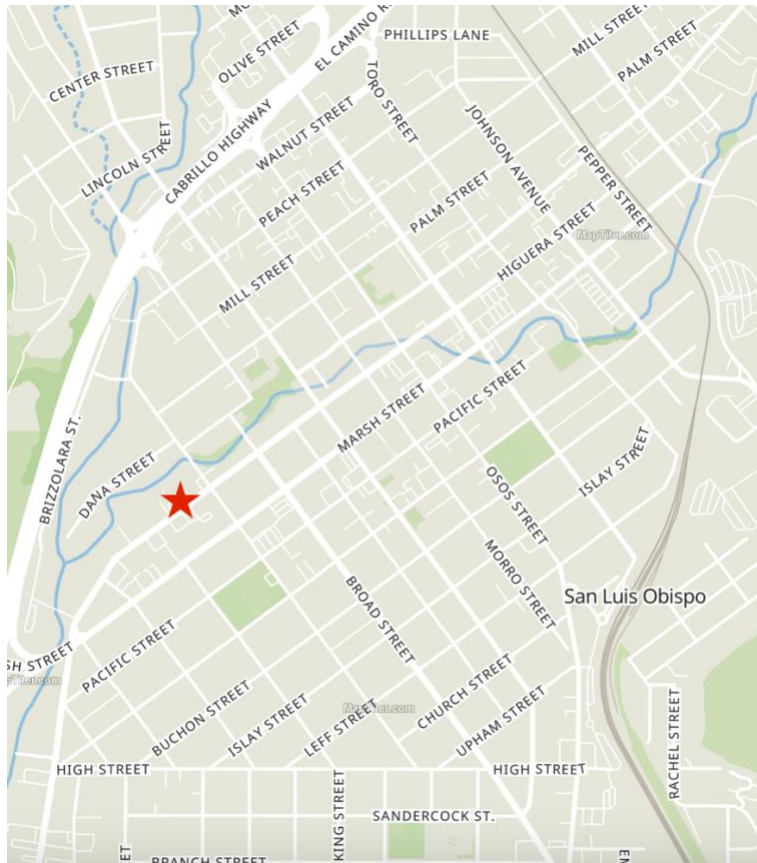
Difficulty: Beginner

Included Size: Extra Large Throw (70" x 70")

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The Story Behind the Quilt

Inspired by the downtown street blocks of San Luis Obispo, CA, these seven and a half inch squares are perfect for featuring small or large print fabrics that you love!



Picking Daisies can be seen above noted with the red star along Higuera Street!

Quilt Definitions

- **Seam Allowance:** 1/4 in, unless otherwise specified.
- **Grids:** This pattern refers to grids by naming horizontal row first, followed by vertical column. (For example: 6x7 would refer to 6 rows and 7 columns)
- **WOF:** Width of Fabric
- **Quilt Center:** Quilt without the inner and outer borders.
- **Subcut:** To cut a large piece of fabric into multiple smaller pieces of fabric.
- **Sashing:** A a strip of fabric between quilt blocks horizontally and vertically to add visual separation. Sashing is narrower than the block and acts as a spacer. In this pattern, the independent pieces are referred to as sashing strips.
- **Cornerstones:** Small contrasting squares placed at the junction of four sashing strips.
- **Borders:** Strips of fabric placed around the quilt center to create a frame.

Fabric Requirements

Throw (70" x 70")

- A. **Squares:** $\frac{1}{4}$ yard of 10 different fabrics
 - B. **Sashing:** 1 yard
 - C. **Cornerstones:** $\frac{1}{8}$ yard
 - D. **Inner Border:** $\frac{1}{3}$ yard
 - E. **Outer Border:** $\frac{3}{4}$ yard
 - F. **Binding:** 0.5 yard
 - G. **Backing:** 4.5 yards
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Cutting Instructions

Throw (70" x 70")

- A. **Squares:**
 - a. Cut $\frac{1}{4}$ yard into (1) 8" strip
 - b. Subcut 8" strip into (5) 8" x 8" squares for a total of 49 squares
- B. **Sashing:**
 - a. Cut 1 yard into (17) 2" strips
 - b. Subcut 2" strips into (5) 8" x 2" strips for a total of 84 sashing strips
- C. **Cornerstones:**
 - a. Cut $\frac{1}{8}$ yard into (2) 2" strips
 - b. Subcut 2" strips into (36) 2" x 2" squares
- D. **Inner Border:**
 - a. Cut $\frac{1}{3}$ yard into (6) 2" strips*
- E. **Outer Border:**
 - a. Cut $\frac{3}{4}$ yard into (7) 4" strips*
- F. **Binding:**
 - a. Cut $\frac{1}{2}$ yard into (7) 2.5" strips*

*Strips will need to be pieced together since the required finished measurement is longer than WOF. Specifications can be found in Sewing Instructions

Quilt Center Assembly Instructions

Refer to diagram on next page for assistance.

Squares:

1. Place the (49) 8" squares in a 7x7 grid in a pleasing combination.
2. Once satisfied with the combination, place (42) of the (84) sashing strips in between each square vertically.
3. Sew rows (7 blocks per row) with a sashing strip between each square. You will now have 7 rows.
4. Press seams open.

Sashing Strips:

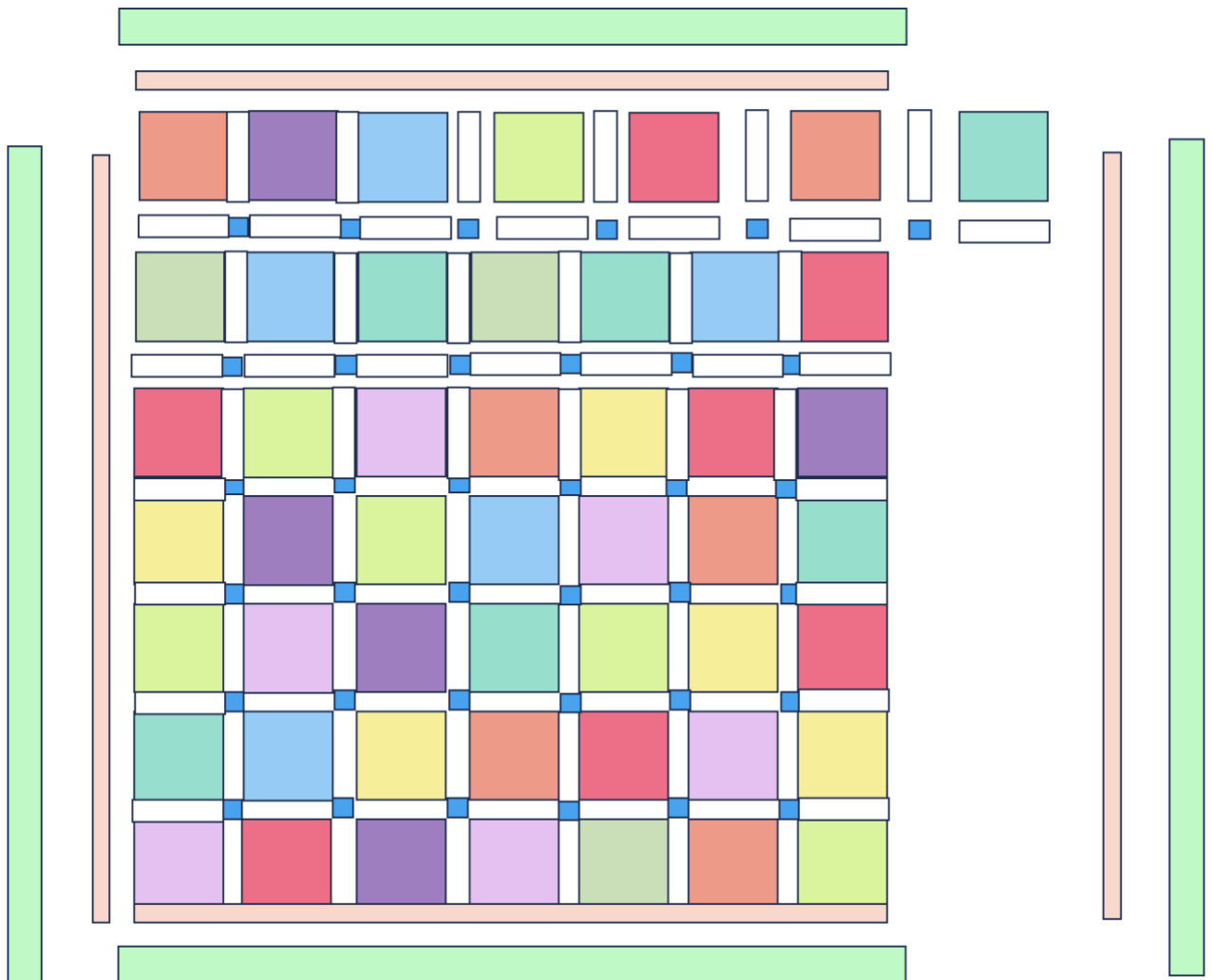
5. Place the remaining (42) sashing strips horizontally in a 6x7 grid, placing the (36) cornerstones between each sashing strip. Refer to diagram.
6. Sew sashing rows together, ensuring a cornerstone is sandwiched between each sashing strip. You will now have 6 rows.
7. Press seams open.

Assembly:

8. Place the square row horizontally with a sashing row beneath it. Repeat the pattern, ensuring the sashing rows are sandwiched between the square rows.
9. Assemble the square rows to the sashing rows, right sides together. Pin to secure at matching seams and points before sewing.
10. Press seams open.

Assembly Drawing

Follow the below assembly drawing in conjunction with the instructions above.



Final Quilt Assembly Instructions

Inner Border:

1. Piece together (2) 2in strips. Sew pieces with short sides together with a straight seam to create a longer strip. Trim to 67 in, keeping excess.
2. Press seam open.
3. Sew inner border to side of quilt center. Trim excess border and discard.
4. Press seam open.
5. Repeat process three more times. Sew saved excess to strips to add length.

Outer Border:

1. Piece together (2) 4in strips. Sew pieces with short sides together with a straight seam to create a longer strip. Trim to 78 in, saving excess.
2. Press seam open.
3. Sew outer border to side of quilt center. Trim excess border and discard.
4. Press seam open.
5. Repeat process three more times. Sew saved excess to strips to add length.

Backing:

1. Subcut 4.5 yard into (2) 2.25 yard cuts and sew them with right sides together long way.
2. Press seams open.

Example

SLO Blocks Quilt seen in downtown SLO outside the San Luis Obispo Museum of Art!

