



Finished size: 79" x 79"

Featuring Marchés de Noël by 3 Sisters

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## Pattern Notes

Finished Quilt Size: 79" x 79" Finished Block Size: 111/2" x 111/2" Backing Required: 71/3 yards Batting Required: 87" x 87" piece of batting

## **Cutting Instructions**

## For Blocks:

From each of these (4) Fat Quarters (44231-13, 44233-15, 44234-12 and 44237-12) cut the following:



Note: Cut carefully when cutting the fat quarters as you will use 17½" of 18".

- Cut (7) 21/2" x 21" strips. Subcut:
  - From (4) strips cut (3) 21/2" x 61/2" rectangles totaling (12). 0
  - From the remainder of the strips cut (24) 21/2" squares. 0

From each of these (7) Fat Quarters, (44231-12, 44231-14, 44233-12, 44233-13, 44236-11, 44236-15, 44237-13) cut the following:



- Cut (7) 21/2" x 21" strips. Subcut:
  - From (4) strips cut (2)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles totaling (8) rectangles. Cut (3) 21/2" squares totaling (12) squares.
  - From the remaining 3 strips cut (24) 21/2" squares. 0

From each of these (11) Fat Eighths, (44232-11, 44232-23, 44233-11, 44235-11, 44235-13, 44237-15, 44235-21, 44235-24, 44236-12, 44236-13, 44237-11) cut the following:



- Cut (3) 21/2" x 21" strips. Subcut:
  - From (2) strips cut (2)  $2\frac{1}{2}$  x 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  rectangles totaling (4) 0 rectangles. Cut (3) 21/2" squares totaling (6) squares.
  - From the remaining strips cut (8) 21/2" squares. 0

From each of these (5) Fat Eighths, (44231-11, 44232-12, 44232-13, 44235-32, 44236-21) cut the following:



#### For Blocks and Cornerstones:

From (1) Fat Quarter, (44235-22) cut the following



- For Blocks cut (3) 21/2" x 21" strips. Subcut (24) 21/2" squares.
- For Cornerstones cut (2) 11/2" x 21" strips. Subcut (25) 11/2" squares.

## For Background:

From 4 yards background fabric, (44232-21) cut the following: (Please note: The block setting and corner triangles are purposefully cut larger to allow the block to float and to allow for accurate trimming and consistency.)



- Cut (14) 5" x WOF strips. Subcut (108) 5" squares; cut each square twice diagonally to yield (432) QST for Block Side Setting Triangles. Label as 'Side Triangles' for organization.
- Cut (6) 3" x WOF strips. Subcut (72) 3" squares; cut each square once diagonally to yield (144) HST for Block Corner Setting Triangles. Label as 'Corner Triangles' for organization.
- Cut (2) 12" x WOF strips. Subcut (54) 12" x 11/2" strips for Sashing Strips.
- Cut (2) 11/2" x WOF strips. Subcut (6) 11/2" x 12" strips for Sashing to total (60) Sashing Strips.
- Cut (8) 3" x WOF strips for **Borders**.

## For Binding:

From <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> yard, (44236-11) cut the following:



• Cut (9) 21/2" x WOF strips.

## Assembly

## Unless otherwise noted, all seams are a scant 1/4".

Each block requires the following pieces:

- A 4 matching print rectangles 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"
- B 9 matching print squares 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"
- C 4 matching print squares 21/2" x 21/2"
- 12 background 5" Side Triangles
- 4 background 3" Corner Triangles

• Cut (3) 21/2" x 21" strips. Subcut (24) 21/2" squares.

## Making the Blocks:

#### Step 1.

Arrange the block pieces as shown in the diagram. Background triangles are labeled with their cut size.



## Step 2.

Join the three rows in the middle of the block to complete a 9-patch, alternating between print squares as shown.

Alternate the direction in which you press the seams as shown using arrows or press open.



## Step 3.

Begin joining the pieces as shown. (*Please note: When joining* a rectangle to a square, find and mark the center of each piece and match those. Background triangles have been oversized. Therefore, after sewing triangles to squares and rectangles, an oversized point will be present.)

Press the seams toward the setting triangles as indicated with arrows in the diagram, or press open.



#### Step 4.

Join the corner pieces as shown. Please note that (2) corner units will be identical using (4) Side Triangles, and (2) corner units will be identical only using (2) Side Triangles. Outermost points present along the perimeter can be trimmed after block assembly.

Press the seams in the direction of the arrows, or press open.



#### Step 5.

Attach the side corner units created in the above steps with the center 9-patch as shown. Press toward the corner units, or press open.

Trim the Side Triangle points even with the 9-patch as shown before proceeding.





Join the remaining corner units as shown. Press toward the corner units, or press open.



#### Step 7.

Trim the block to measure  $12" \times 12"$ . Align the 6" lines of the ruler on the inner point of the middle Side Triangles as shown. (Tip: Use the 45° angle line of a larger square ruler to help align and trim evenly.)

Trim excess background fabric evenly from all sides.

Repeat to make (36) blocks. All blocks will measure 12" x 12".

Make 36.



## Assembling the Quilt Top:

## Step 8.

Lay out the blocks in six rows of six blocks each. Place (1)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 12" sashing strip vertically in between each block. Press toward the sashing strips.

Assemble horizontal sashing rows as shown using (6) sashing strips and (5)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " cornerstones. Start and finish the horizontal sashing row with a sashing strip. Press toward the sashing strip.

Begin assembling the block and sashing rows.



## Step 9.

Join the rows. Press toward the sashing rows to complete the quilt top center.

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## Adding the Borders:

#### Step 10.

**Side Borders:** Sew (2) 3" x WOF strips end to end using a straight  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press the seam open. Repeat to make (2). Trim both strips to 3" x 74½" for the side borders.

#### Step 11.

**Top and Bottom Borders:** Sew (2) 3" x WOF strips end to end using a straight ¼" seam. Press the seam open. Repeat to make (2).

Trim both strips to  $3'' \times 79\%''$  for the top/bottom borders.

Join the borders to the quilt. Attach the side borders first, followed by the top and bottom borders. Press the seams toward the borders.



3" x 79 ½"

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## Finishing

Prepare the binding. Using a diagonal seam stitch F4 binding strips together, end to end. Press binding strips in half lengthwise with wrong sides together.

Layer, quilt and bind to complete the quilt.

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There is frost on the windows and a fire in the fireplace, brown-paper packages under a tree sparkling with lights, cups filled with steaming hot cider and a holiday playlist of carols streaming from the mini wireless speakers. It's Christmas with the 3 Sisters – classic with a bit of modern.

Paisleys, poinsettias, holly and tiny flowers mix with a vintage-inspired collage print to create *Marchés de Noël*. The colors are shades of red, green and cream, with abit of aqua mixed in because the 3 Sisters like a bit of unpredictability. That's what makes their style so distinctive – for quilts, accessories and home décor.

# **Fabric Requirements**

## (11) ASSORTED FAT QUARTERS

