

# a BLOOMING BUNCH

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Finished Size 59"x59"

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### FABRIC & SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS

1 Honey Comb Pack (40040HC)  
1 Layer Cake (40040LC) for sashing  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  yd. – Bella Bettys Pink (9900-120)  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  yd. – Bella Cheddar (9900-152)  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  yd. – Bella Pesto (9900-233)  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  yd. – Bella Green Olive (9900-275)  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  yd. – Bella Seaglass (9900-378)

$\frac{1}{2}$  yd. – Binding (40046 13)  
4 yds. for backing  
(175) 1" Hexie Papers  
(HEX100, two packs needed)

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### CUTTING

#### Layer Cake

From the A Blooming Bunch Layer Cake, remove (8) prints that are in the bundle twice and save for other projects.

From (8) Layer Cake squares, cut (2) 10"x3.5" rectangles each.

From (24) Layer Cake squares, cut (1) 10"x3.5" rectangle each.

You will need (40) 10"x3.5" rectangles total.

*Tip: Your Layer Cake leftovers make for a fun strip to add to a scrappy quilt back!*

#### From Each Bella Solid

Cut (1) 10" strip. Subcut into (4) 10"x10" squares.

Cut (1) 10" strip. Subcut into (1) 10"x10" square and (3) 3.5"x3.5" squares. Choose one Bella to cut an extra 4th 3.5"x3.5" square.

You will need (25) 10"x10" Bella squares and (16) 3.5"x3.5" squares total.

#### Binding

Cut (6) 2½"xWOF strips for binding.

### CONSTRUCTION

#### Assembling Hexie Flowers

1. Baste (175) 1" Hexies in your preferred method.



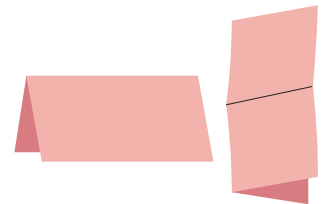
2. Separate hexies into sets of 7 and assemble into flowers using a whip stitch, being careful not to sew through the paper templates. You need (25) flowers total.



*Tip: Do not remove hexie papers until you are ready to appliqué!*

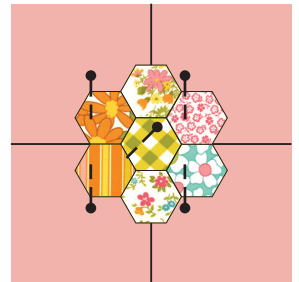
#### Building Flower Boxes

1. Finger press (25) 10"x10" Bella squares in half vertically and horizontally to mark block centers in anticipation of appliquéing hexies.



Finger Press horiz. and vert. to mark center

2. When you're ready to appliqué, press flowers to reinforce shape before removing hexie papers. Using pins, secure each hexie flower to the center of a Bella 10"x10" square.



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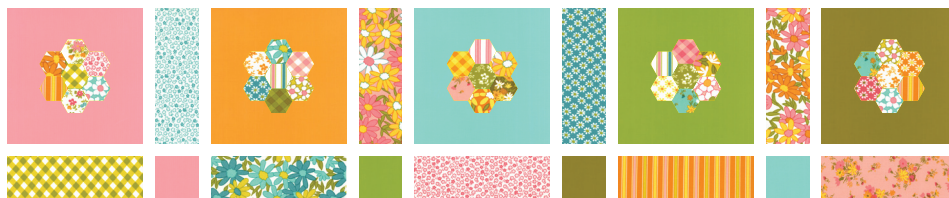


### Building Flower Boxes (cont'd)

3. Topstitch 1/8" from edge using co-ordinating thread to sew hexies to squares. Iron again before quilt assembly.



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### ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

1. Lay out blocks into 5 rows of 5 blocks each, distributing sashing strips and cornerstones as shown.
2. Sew together into rows. Press seams toward the sashing strips—away from blocks and cornerstones.
3. Join rows together to complete quilt top, pressing seams open. Finished quilt top measures 59"x59".
4. Baste, quilt, bind and enjoy!



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