

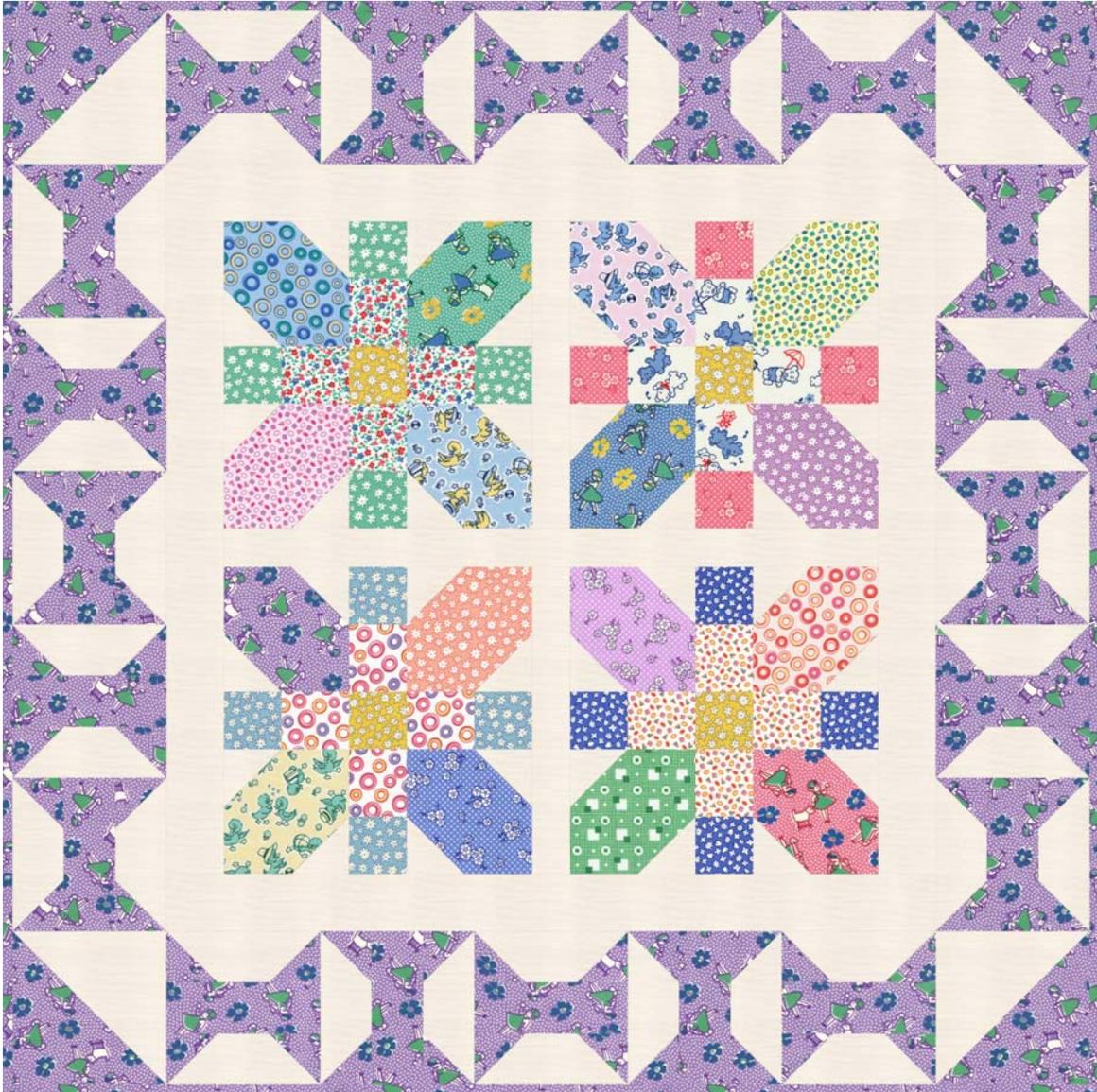
Play Date - Block of the Month

Spools Mini-Quilt

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Using her Play Date and Grandma's Garden fabrics from P&B Textiles

Quilt Size: 28 1/2" - Block Size: 8"



Yardage

One Block ~

(7) 5" squares (1 light-medium print, 1 yellow, 5 medium-dark prints)

(1) 5" x 9" piece of cream (CSNE 01N)

Mini-Quilt ~

(24) 5" squares (954B, 954G, 954P, 955B, 955C, 955G, 955J, 955Y, 956B, 957P, 958B, 958P, 958Y, 959J, 959P, 959Y, 960B, 960J, 960P, 793B, 793C, 793P, 794G, and 795B) for blocks

7/8 yard of purple girls (PDAT 954C) for block, outer border, and binding

7/8 yard of cream solid (CSNE 01N) for blocks, sashing, and inner border

1 yard of any *Play Date* fabric for backing

Cutting

For **each** block:

From the cream (CSNE 01N), cut:

8 squares, 2" x 2"

From the yellow square, cut:

4 squares, 2" x 2" (You'll have 3 squares left for the other blocks.)

From the light-medium square, cut:

4 rectangles, 2" x 2 1/4"

From **1** medium-dark square, cut:

4 squares, 2" x 2"

From *each* of the **4** medium-dark squares, cut:

1 square, 3 3/4" x 3 3/4" (4 total)

Mini-Quilt:

From the cream, cut:

2 inner-border strips, 2" x 20 1/2"

2 inner-border strips, 2" x 17 1/2"

1 sashing rectangle, 1 1/2" x 17 1/2"

2 sashing rectangles, 1 1/2" x 8 1/2"

40 rectangles, 1 7/8" x 4 1/2"

2 squares, 4 7/8" x 4 7/8"; cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles

From the purple girls, cut:

4 binding strips, 2" x 42"

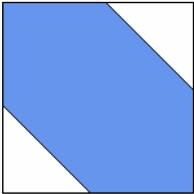
4 strips, 1 7/8" x 42"; crosscut into 80 squares, 1 7/8" x 1 7/8"

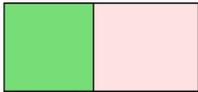
2 squares, 4 7/8" x 4 7/8"; cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles

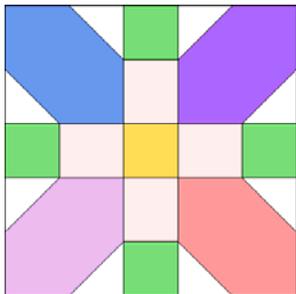
20 rectangles, 1 3/4" x 4 1/2"

Construction

Block: (*Refer to photo as needed*)

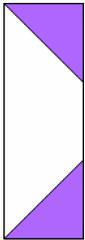
1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each cream square. Place a marked square on one opposite corners of each 3 3/4" medium-dark square, right sides together. Sew along the line. Trim leaving a 1/4"-wide seam allowance; press. Make four corner units. 

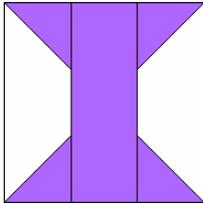
2. Sew a 2" medium-dark square and a light-medium rectangle together to make a side unit. Make four units. 

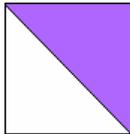
3. Sew four corner units together, four side units, and one yellow square together as shown, to make one block; press. 

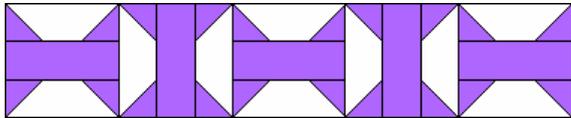
4. Repeat steps 1 — 4 to make a total of four blocks.

Mini-Quilt Assembly

5. Sew one 1 1/2" x 8 1/2" cream rectangle between two blocks to make a block row; press. Make two block rows.
6. Sew the 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" cream rectangle between two blocks rows as shown in the photo; press.
7. Sew a 2" x 17 1/2" cream strip to each side of the quilt top; press. Sew a 2" x 20 1/2" cream strip to the top and bottom edges.
8. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 1 7/8" purple square. Place a marked square on both ends of each 1 7/8" x 4 1/2" cream rectangle, right sides together. Sew along the line. Trim leaving a 1/4"-wide seam allowance; press. Be sure to position each marked square as shown. Make 40. 

9. Sew a unit from step 8 to both sides of a 1 3/4" x 4 1/2" purple rectangle as shown to make a border block. Make 20 border blocks. 

10. Sew one purple triangle and one cream triangle together as shown to make a corner block; press. Make four corner blocks. 

11. Sew five border units together, rotating the units as shown, to make a border strip. Make four. 

12. Referring to the photo, sew a border strip to each side of the quilt top; press. Sew a corner block to both ends of each remaining border strip and sew them to the top and bottom edges; press.
13. Layer the quilt top with batting and backing. Quilt as desired. Bind the edges to finish. Add a label to the back of your quilt and enjoy!