

FREE Valentines Day Pattern

Completely “scrappy” quilt made from 2 ½” and 3” squares. Measures approximately 50” x 50” when done!

You’ll need at least: *

20 red 2 ½” squares and 5 red 3” squares
20 orange 2 ½” squares and 5 orange 3” squares
20 yellow 2 ½” squares and 5 yellow 3” squares
20 blue 2 ½” squares and 5 blue 3” squares
20 turquoise 2 ½” squares and 5 turquoise 3” squares
20 green 2 ½” squares and 5 green 3” squares
20 purple 2 ½” squares and 5 purple 3” squares
20 violet 2 ½” squares and 5 violet 3” squares
20 pink 2 ½” squares and 5 pink 3” squares
54 white or light print 2 ½” squares (background)
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Sashing is all made from 1 ¼” wide strips:

2 red strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 orange strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 yellow strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 blue strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 turquoise strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 green strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 purple strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 violet strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long
2 pink strips at 13” long and 2 at 15” long

White border (background) is cut at 2 ½” wide – you’ll need 2 strips at 42 ½” long and 2 at 46 ½” long (1½ yards of fabric) – you can use the leftover in each of the heart blocks by cutting 4 more 2 ½” strips and 4 more 3” strips, then sub-cutting them into squares.

Red border is cut at 3” wide – you’ll need 2 strips at 46 ½” long and 2 at 49” long – if you don’t want this to be pieced, then buy 1 ½ yards of red border fabric and save the excess for another project.

Black border cut at 2 ½” and optional. You’ll need at least 204” of sashing – or use it as binding for the edge. You’ll need at least 1 yard of fabric for this if you piece the border and then add a black binding. If you are only binding the quilt with the black, you can get away with just ½ yard of fabric.

Backing: 1 ½ yards of fleece – no batting needed!

Start by pairing up all your 3” colored squares with a 3” white or light print square. Draw a line on the wrong side of the light square from opposite corner to corner. Stitch ¼” away from this center line on both sides of the line, then cut the block along that drawn line. This will create 2 “Half Square Triangles” (HST). Press these open with the seam falling toward the colored block.

Now concentrating on one color way at a time, arrange all your colored squares and HST blocks according to the diagram to make a heart shape. Sew these blocks together, one row at a time. Now sew the 6 rows together to form the base of your first heart block. Add sashing of the same color way to the left and right side of the block, pressing the seam toward the sashing. Now add sashing to the top and bottom of the block, pressing the seam toward the sashing.

You have completed the first of 9 blocks! Now repeat the last step with the other 8 color ways.



*If you don’t have a lot of scrap hanging around, and want to make this scrappy looking quilt. Then buy 2 different fat quarters of each color to cut your 2 ½” and 3” squares and alternate the squares inside the hearts checkerboard style!

Just remember to cut the sashing pieces first so they are long enough!

To assemble the quilt; lay your hearts out in the order you want to see them and stitch them together in 3 rows of three.

Now stitch the 3 rows to each other.

Add the white sashing in the same way you added sashing to the blocks. First add a strip to the left and right sides of the quilt, then add a strip to the top and bottom of the quilt. This time press the seams away from the sashing.

Add the red sashing to the left and right sides of the quilt, then the top and bottom – pressing the seams toward the red sashing.

Add the black sashing to the left and right sides of the quilt, then the top and bottom – pressing the seams toward the black sashing. (This black sashing is an optional step) You can use the 2 ½” sashing pieces as binding instead.

Back your quilt with fleece of your choice and quilt a spiral of concentric hearts in the center of each block – or quilt an all over pattern of your choice.

Bind your quilt and remember to add a 4” sleeve at the top of the back of the quilt if you want to use it as a wall hanging.

Voila! You are done! 😊