

# Aunt Gracie's Garden

An interlocking circle pattern emerges when combining 54-40 or Fight blocks and Shoo Fly blocks. Adorn the borders with appliqué before or after attaching them to the quilt center.



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**Size:** 85" × 103"

**Blocks:** 63 (9") blocks

## MATERIALS

16 fat quarters\* assorted 1930s prints

7 yards white solid

2 yards green print for border and binding

Assorted print and solid fat quarters\* for applique

12 yards green rickrack

Tri-Recs™ Tools (optional)

Fons & Porter Half & Quarter Ruler (optional)

Paper-backed fusible web

7 $\frac{7}{8}$  yards backing fabric

Queen-size quilt batting

\*fat quarter = 18" × 20"

## CUTTING

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Patterns for C and D triangles are on page 5. Patterns for appliqué shapes are on pages 5-7. Follow manufacturer's instructions for using fusible web.

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Use the Tri-Recs™ Tools to make quick work of cutting C and D triangles. —Marianne

#### From fat quarters, cut a total of:

- 32 (2"-wide) strips for strip sets.
- 47 (3½"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 63 (3½") A squares, 124 half-square B triangles, and 128 C triangles.

**NOTE:** If not using Fons & Porter Half & Quarter Ruler to cut B triangles, cut:

- 16 (3⅞"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 62 (3⅞") squares. Cut squares in half diagonally to make 124 half-square B triangles.
- 28 (3½"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 63 (3½") A squares and 128 C triangles.

#### From white solid, cut:

- 16 (2"-wide) strips. Cut strips in half to make 32 (2" × 20") strips for strip sets.
- 29 (3½"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 124 (3½") A squares, 124 half-square B triangles, 128 D triangles, and 128 D triangles reversed.

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Stack strips with wrong sides facing to cut D and D reversed triangles at the same time. —Liz

**NOTE:** If not using Fons & Porter Half & Quarter Ruler to cut B triangles, cut:

- 7 (3⅞"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 62 (3⅞") squares. Cut squares in half diagonally to make 124 half-square B triangles.
- 22 (3½"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 124 (3½") A squares, 128 D triangles, and 128 D triangles reversed.

#### From remainder of white solid, cut:

- 4 (8½"-wide) **lengthwise** strips. From strips, cut 2 (8½" × 108") side border strips and 2 (8½" × 90") top and bottom border strips.

#### From green print, cut:

- 11 (2¼"-wide) strips for binding.
- 20 (2"-wide) strips. Piece strips to make 4 (2" × 108") side border strips and 4 (2" × 90") top and bottom border strips.

#### From solid fabrics and remainders of prints, cut:

- 2 Birds and 2 Birds reversed.
- 2 Bird Wings and 2 Bird Wings reversed.
- 4 Butterfly Bodies and 4 Butterfly Bodies reversed.
- 4 Large Butterfly Wings and 4 Large Butterfly Wings reversed.
- 4 Medium Butterfly Wings and 4 Medium Butterfly Wings reversed.
- 4 Small Butterfly Wings and 4 Small Butterfly Wings reversed.
- 4 Large Flowers.
- 4 Large Flower Centers.
- 12 Medium Flowers.
- 12 Medium Flower Centers.

- 12 Small Flowers.
- 12 Small Flower Centers.
- 4 Large Leaves and 4 Large Leaves reversed.
- 34 Small Leaves and 34 Small leaves reversed.

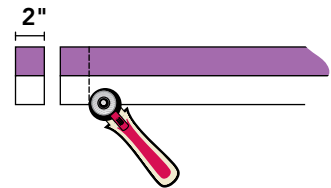
## 54-40 OR FIGHT BLOCK ASSEMBLY

1. Join 1 print C triangle, 1 white D triangle, and 1 white D triangle reversed as shown in *Star Point Unit Diagrams*. Make 128 Star Point Units.



Star Point Unit Diagrams

2. Join 1 print strip and 1 white strip as shown in *Strip Set Diagram*. Make 32 strip sets. From strip sets, cut 256 (2"-wide) segments.



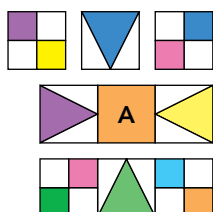
Strip Set Diagram

3. Referring to *Four Patch Unit Diagrams*, join 2 segments to make 1 Four Patch Unit. Make 128 Four Patch Units.

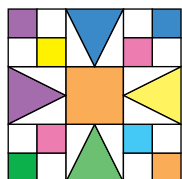


Four Patch Unit Diagrams

4. Lay out 4 Star Point Units, 4 Four Patch Units, and 1 print A square as shown in *54-40 or Fight Block Assembly Diagram*. Join into rows; join rows to complete 1 block (*54-40 or Fight Block Diagram*). Make 32 54-40 or Fight blocks.



54-40 or Fight Block Assembly Diagram



54-40 or Fight Block Diagram

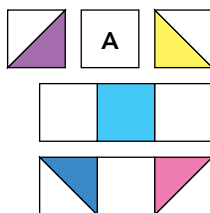
## SHOO FLY BLOCK ASSEMBLY

1. Join 1 print B triangle and 1 white B triangle as shown in *Triangle-Square Diagrams*. Make 124 triangle-squares.

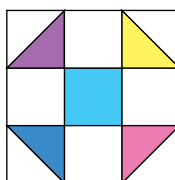


Triangle-Square Diagrams

2. Lay out 4 triangle-squares, 4 white A squares, and 1 print A square as shown in *Shoo Fly Block Assembly Diagram*. Join into rows; join rows to complete 1 block (*Shoo Fly Block Diagram*). Make 31 Shoo Fly blocks.



Shoo Fly Block Assembly Diagram



Shoo Fly Block Diagram

## QUILT ASSEMBLY

1. Lay out blocks as shown in *Quilt Top Assembly Diagram* on page 4. Join blocks into rows; join rows to complete quilt center.
2. Join 2 green print side border strips and 1 white side border strip to make 1 side border. Make 2 side borders.
3. In the same manner, make top and bottom borders using remaining green print and white border strips.

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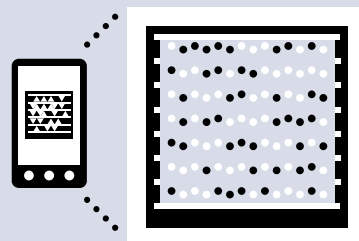
If you wish to appliqué borders before joining them to quilt, arrange pieces atop borders, leaving corner appliqué pieces unstitched. After adding borders to quilt, complete appliqué in corners. —Liz

4. Add borders to quilt center, mitering corners.



### WEB EXTRA

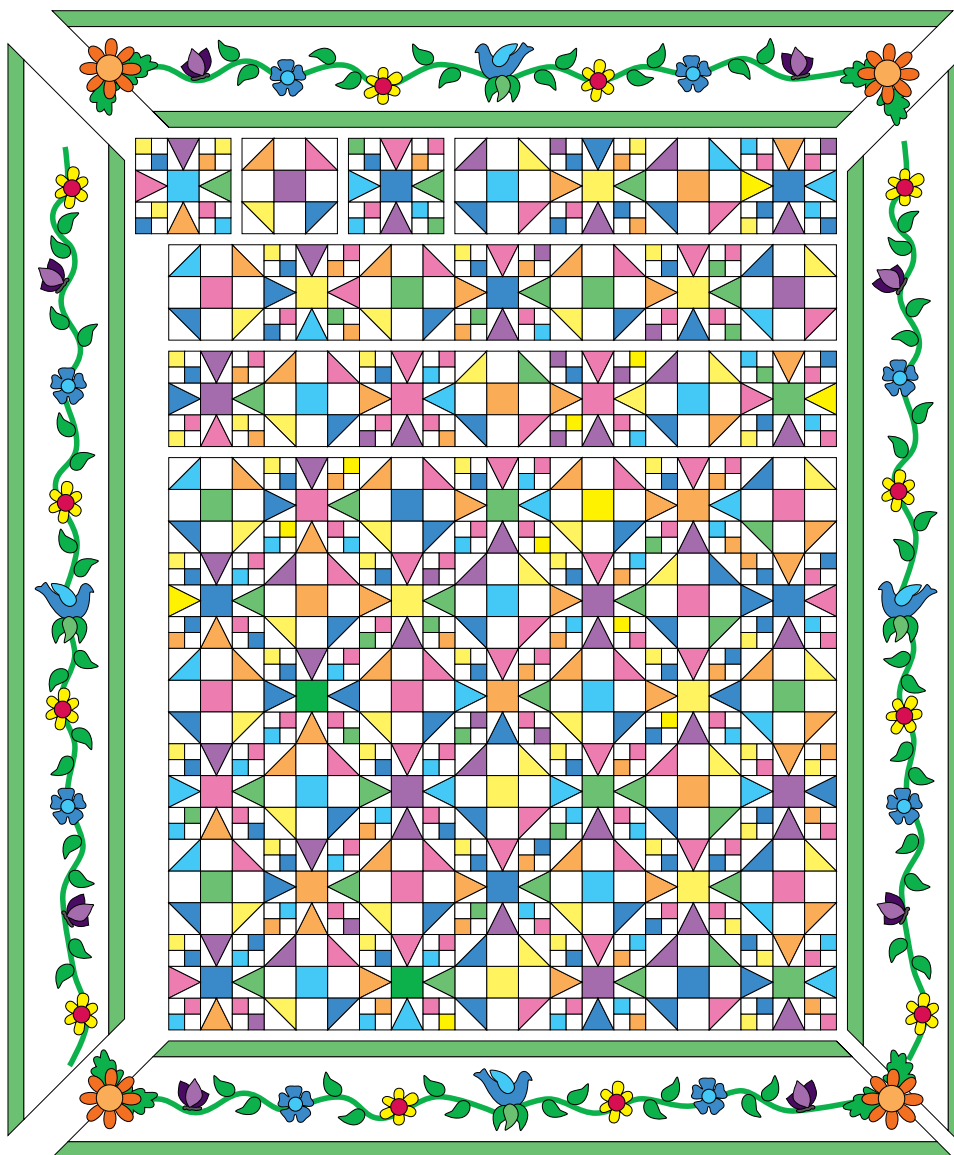
For instructions on mitering borders, visit our Web site at: [www.FonsandPorter.com/mborders](http://www.FonsandPorter.com/mborders).



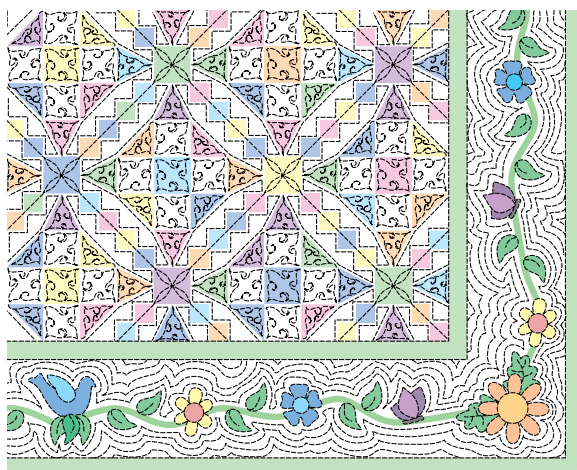
5. Referring to photo on page 1, arrange appliqué pieces and rickrack atop quilt border.
6. Stitch rickrack in place through center of rickrack using matching thread. Stitch appliqué pieces using a blanket stitch and matching thread.
7. Stitch embroidery details—antennae on butterflies and eyes on birds.

## FINISHING

1. Divide backing into 3 (2⅝-yard) lengths. Join panels lengthwise. Seams will run horizontally.
2. Layer backing, batting, and quilt top; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt shown was quilted in the ditch, outline quilted in the blocks, and echo quilted in the borders (*Quilting Diagram* on page 4).
3. Join 2¼"-wide green print strips into 1 continuous piece for straight-grain French-fold binding. Add binding to quilt. ✱



Quilt Top Assembly Diagram



Quilting Diagram

