FINISHED QUILT SIZE 55” x 64”

SUPPLY LIST FOR QUILT
Thimble Rulers - 5” and 10” square size
18 - 10” squares
56 - 5” squares
(I used Polka Dot Stitches, Millie’s Closet & Sew Cherry by Lori Holt for Riley Blake Designs)

2 5/8 yard aqua for background and side borders
(I used Bear Lake by Riley Blake)

250” prepared binding
(I used 27 - 2 1/2” x 10” strips sewn together)

2 yards plus 4 fat quarters for backing fabric

All fabric used is from Sew Cherry, Millie’s Closet, Polka Dot Stitches, Riley Blake Basics in Chevrons, Dots and Solids designed by Lori Holt of Bee in my Bonnet for Riley Blake Designs
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*READ ALL DIRECTIONS BEFORE CUTTING AND STITCHING...
*USE AN ACCURATE 1/4” SEAM ALLOWANCE THROUGHOUT...
*REMEMBER TO MEASURE TWICE AND CUT ONCE...
*REMEMBER TO “PRESS” NOT IRON...
*LIFE IS SHORT...ENJOY EVERY STEP OF MAKING YOUR QUILT!

*TIP 1 - I like to use a rotating cutting mat when I cut out the Thimble shapes. They help to make the rotary cutting process even faster and easier...YAY! I use the 10” Pink Rotating Cutting Mat by Sue Daley, distributed through Riley Blake Designs.

*TIP 2 - I always like to make a sample block from scrap fabric before I cut into the fabric for the quilt :) I have a photo tutorial on my blog showing the cutting and sewing process when using my Thimble Rulers. Go to: www.beeinmybonnetco.blogspot.com
Click on my tutorials tab at the top scroll down until you see the Thimble Rulers tutorial and click!!!

Directions to Make the 4 Patch Blocks - (make 6)
You will need to use 24 of your 5” x 5” squares to make a total of six 4 patch blocks that you will use for six large Thimble shapes.
1. Begin by stitching two 5” squares together and press the seam allowance open. Continue until you have 12 - 2 square units.
2. Now stitch a 2 square unit to another unit of 2 squares to form a 4 patch block. Press this seam allowance open also. Continue until you have a total of six 4 patch blocks.
3. Place the 10” square size Thimble ruler onto the RIGHT SIDE of one 4 patch block. Line up the marked lines on the ruler evenly with your seams and rotary cut. Continue until you have cut a large Thimble out of each 4 patch.

Large Thimble Blocks (Make 24) - 8” x 12 1/2” finished
Now that you already have 6 large Thimbles cut from the 4 patches, you will need to cut 18 more large Thimbles for a total of 24.

Use your 18 - 10” squares and rotary cut the Thimbles. Set aside all 24 large Thimbles and prepare to cut the Thimble sides from your background fabric. *You will need two sides for each Thimble.

Cutting the Thimble sides -
For each set of sides you will need a 10” x 10” square. Cut a total of 24 - 10” squares from your background.

*Cutting sides for ONE Large Thimble block;
Press a square in half with WRONG SIDES together, lining the raw edges up evenly. Place the center line of the large Thimble ruler onto the 10” raw edges and cut around remaining 3 sides. You will end up with 2 Thimble sides...one of them reversed.

*Sewing sides onto the Large Thimble;
Lay your Thimble right side up. Lay each side (right side up) next to the Thimble so that the narrow ends of the sides are next to the wide end of the Thimble. If you have laid them out correctly...all 3 together will form a rectangular shape.
Now lay each side onto the Thimble with right sides together. Line up the centers and pin into place. You will have a tiny triangle overlapping on each end of the seam allowance so that the top and bottom edges will line up evenly after sewing. I pressed my seams towards the Thimble.
You now have one Thimble block complete!
It should be 8 1/2” tall x 13” wide at this point. (unfinished size)
Repeat until you have 24 large Thimble blocks complete.
Set aside until you have completed the small Thimble blocks.

Small Thimble Blocks (Make 32) - 4” x 4 3/4” finished
You will need 32 small Thimble blocks.
Use your remaining 32 - 5” squares and rotary cut the Thimbles.
Set them aside and prepare to cut the small Thimble sides.
*You will need two sides for each Thimble.

Cutting the Small Thimble sides -
For each set of sides you will need a 5” x 5” square.
Cut a total of 32 - 5” squares from your background.
*Cutting sides for ONE Small Thimble block; Press a square in half with WRONG SIDES together, lining the raw edges up evenly.
Place the center line of the small Thimble ruler onto the 5” raw edges and cut around remaining 3 sides.
You will end up with 2 Thimble sides...one of them reversed.

*Sewing side onto the Small Thimble;
Lay your Thimble right side up. Lay each side (right side up) next to the Thimble so that the narrow ends of the sides are next to the wide end of the Thimble. If you have laid them out correctly... all 3 together will form a rectangular shape.

Now lay each side onto the Thimble with right sides together. Line up the centers and pin into place.
You will have a tiny triangle overlapping on each end of the seam allowance so that the top and bottom edges will line up evenly after sewing. I pressed my seams towards the Thimble.
You now have one Small Thimble block complete! It should be 4 1/2” tall x 5 1/4” wide at this point. (unfinished size)
Repeat until you have 32 small Thimble blocks complete.

Sewing the Large Thimble Rows -
Lay all of the Large Thimble blocks into 3 rows of 8.
Arrange them the way that you would like...and sew them together. Take note that every other Thimble is upside down.
I pressed my seams open.
Each of these rows should measure 13” wide x 64 1/2” long at this point.

Sewing the Small Thimble Rows -
Lay out the Small Thimble blocks into 2 rows of 16.
Sew them together and press the seams open.
Take note that every other Thimble is upside down.
Your rows should measure 5 1/4” wide x 64 1/2” long at this point.

Join the rows together to form the center of the quilt.
Press the seam allowance towards the Large Thimble Rows.

Side Borders -
You will need to 2 - 4 1/2” x 64 1/2” border strips for each side of the quilt. After sewing, press seam allowance towards the borders.

Backing -
Sew 4 fat quarters on top of each other and then sew them to the side of a 2 yard length of fabric for your quilt back.
Quilt as desired!

Binding -
You will need to prepare about 250” of binding.
I sewed 27 - 2 1/2” x 10” fabric strips together for a scrappy binding.
Bind your quilt as desired and enjoy!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for purchasing my Thimble Rulers and Jump Rope quilt pattern.
I hope that you enjoy my free quilt pattern and using the rulers.
I will be creating many more projects in the future using these rulers and others.

If you would like to see them, visit me at;
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