Lots of Dots!

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FINISHED QUILT SIZE 60” x 60”

SUPPLY LIST FOR QUILT
Circle Rulers
3 1/2 yards lightweight sew-in interfacing, P45 Pellon
35-40 - 10” squares for all circles, Dot Stitches fabric
1/4 yard aqua for stop border, C7716 Black Raindrop
1 1/4 yards aqua gingham for border, C7712 Gray Garden
2 1/8 yards background fabric, C120 Off White Solid
1/2 yard for binding, C7715 Aqua Stripe

Directions to Make the 4 Patch Circles (make 9)
You will need to cut 36 - 5” x 5” squares from your 10” squares to make a total of nine 4 patch circles.
1. Begin by stitching two 5” squares together and press the seam allowance open.
   Continue until you have 18 - 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 nine 4 patch blocks.
3. Place the 10” square size ruler onto the WRONG SIDE of one 4 patch block. Line up the marked lines on the ruler evenly with your seams. Trace around the ruler using a mechanical pencil for a thin line. Continue until you have traced a circle onto the back of each 9 patch.
4. Cut nine 10” x 10” squares from the interfacing.
5. Pin a square of interfacing to the RIGHT SIDE of a marked 9 patch block. Stitch directly onto your marked line, completely around the circle, taking care to backstitch when you start and stop.
6. Now trim the excess fabric around your stitching lines... leaving an approximate 1/4” seam allowance.
7. Using a seam ripper or a pair of small pointed embroidery scissors, cut a 4-5” turning slit in the INTERFACING ONLY being careful not to cut into the fabric.
8. Turn the 4 patch circles right side out. Smooth the edges so that your circle has a nice shape and press flat. Repeat process until you have completed nine 4 patch circles.

Directions to Make 4” Circles
You will need to make a 4” circle for the center of each 4 patch circle.
1. Cut a 5” square of fabric for each circle.
2. Place the 5” square size circle ruler onto the WRONG SIDE of a 5” fabric square. Once again, trace all around the edges of the circle to mark a stitching line. Repeat for a total of 9 marked center circles.
3. Cut nine 5” x 5” squares from the interfacing.
4. Pin a square of interfacing to the RIGHT SIDE of a 5” fabric square that you have marked for a 4” circle.
5. Sew directly on your marked line, trim, cut, turn and press just like the you did when making the 4 patch circles.
6. Place one in the center of a 9 patch circle. To make sure that it is ‘exactly in the center...You can use the lines on the ruler to help with the placement. Pin into place.
7. Applique using whatever method that you choose. I chose to use my machine for this project. You can use a small zig zag stitch on your machine if you don’t have another one that is suitable for applique.
8. Continue until all nine circles are complete.

Applique to Background Squares
Cut 9 - 12 1/2” x 12 1/2” out of the background fabric.
1. Fold each background square in half and press. Fold again in half the other way and press again.
   Now you have fold lines that will match up with the lines on the 4 patch circles!
2. Center the 4 patch circles onto the background squares and pin into place.
3. Applique the circles onto the background and give the block a quick press from the back until smooth.
4. Sew the blocks together into 3 rows of 3 to form the center of the quilt.
Directions to Make 6” Circles

You will need to cut 16 - 7” fabric squares to make the 6” circles that go in between the 4 patch circles.

1. Place the 7” square size circle ruler onto the WRONG SIDE of a 7” fabric square. Once again, trace all around the edges of the circle to mark a stitching line. Repeat for a total of 16 marked circles.
2. Cut sixteen 7” x 7” squares from the interfacing.
3. Pin a square of interfacing to the RIGHT SIDE of a 7” fabric square that you have marked for a 6” circle.
4. Sew directly on your marked line, trim, cut, turn and press just like the you did when making the previous circles.
5. Continue until you have completed sixteen 6” circles.

Making 2” Circles

You will need a total of twenty eight - 2” circles. You will use 16 of them to appliqué in the center of the 6” circles and use the remaining twelve to appliqué onto the white border.

2. Use the 2½” square size circle ruler to trace your stitching lines onto the wrong side of each 2½” square of fabric.
4. Pin a square of interfacing to the RIGHT SIDE of a 2½” fabric square that you have marked for a 2” circle.
5. Sew directly on your marked line, trim, cut, turn and press just like the you did when making the previous circles.
6. Continue until you have completed twenty eight 2” circles.

Appliqué the 2” Circles

Appliqué a 2” circle onto the center of each 6” circle...using the circle ruler’s marked lines to help with centering. Save remaining 12 circles for the inside background border.

Appliqué Four of the 6” Circles to the Quilt Center

1. Pin four of the 6” circles into place onto the quilt center...using the seam lines where you joined the 12” background blocks together and the lines on the circle ruler to center properly.
2. Appliqué into place. You will appliqué the remaining 6” circles after you have added background borders.

Background Borders
Cut 12 - 4½” x 12½” rectangles from the background fabric. Also cut 4 - 4½” squares for the border corners.
Thank you from the bottom of my heart for purchasing my Circle Rulers and Lots of Dots quilt pattern. I hope that you enjoyed making the quilt 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: www.beeinmybonnetco.blogspot.com