Oriental Sudoku Quilt August 2007

Materials:

5-inch strips width of fabric (WOF) **each** of 9 different Oriental prints for center squares 5/8 yard **each** of 9 different solid or tonal fabrics for background 5/8 yard of dark solid or tonal for sashing 1-1/2 yards for outer border (OR 2-1/4 yards for length of fabric border)

Cutting:

From each of the 9 Oriental print strips:

Trim each of the 9 strips to 4-1/2 inches. Sub-cut in to 4-1/2 inch squares. You will have 9 squares of 9 different prints. Keep each different print together.

From each of the 9 solid/tonal fabrics cut:

6 strips 2-1/2 inch; cross cut in to 18 rectangles 2-1/2 x 4-1/2 and 18 rectangles 2-1/2 x 8-1/2. Keep colors separate.

From the sashing fabric cut: 12 strips 1-1/2 x Width Of Fabric (WOF) Sub-cut 6 rectangles 1-1/2 x 18-1/2

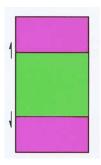
From the outer border fabric cut:

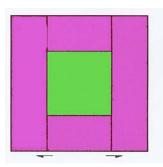
7 strips 6-1/2 x WOF **OR** if using the length of the fabric cut four strips 6-1/2 x length of fabric

Making the Blocks

Select the solid/tonal to go with the prints. This pattern requires nine identical square-in-a-square blocks of each set of fabric.

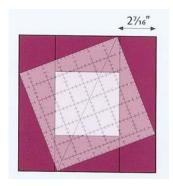
1) Using one set of 4-1/2 inch squares and one set of solid/tonal sew $2-1/2 \times 4-1/2$ rectangles to the opposing sided of a 4-1/2 inch print square. Press. Sew $2-1/2 \times 8-1/2$ rectangles to the remaining sides of the square. Press. Make nine small blocks.





2) Repeat step 1 for the remaining sets of prints and solids for a total of 81 small blocks.

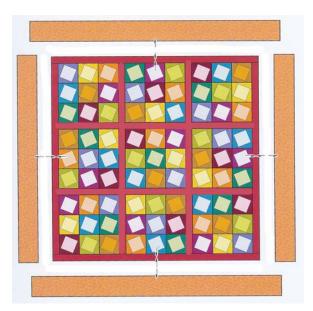
3) Center a 6-1/2 inch square ruler or template on a small block so that the points of the square touch the edge of the fabrics as shown. Cut all of the blocks in this manner.



- 4) Assign a number 1 through 9 to each set of 9 blocks. Use the puzzle solution included to lay out the small blocks in to nine large 9-patch blocks.
- 5) Sew each group of nine small blocks into larger blocks. You will now have 9 different 9-patch blocks. Take care to keep the larger blocks in the correct order of the puzzle solution

Assembling the top:

- 6) Sew the six sashing strips measuring 1-1/2 x 18-1/2 between the large blocks in each row. Press
- 7) Sew the remaining sashing strips together to make four strips $1-1/2 \times 56-1/2$ inches for horizontal sashing and two strips $1-1/2 \times 58-1/2$ for the side sashing.
- 8) Sew the 56-1/2 strips of horizontal between each of the block rows and sew the rows together. (Between the rows and the top and bottom) Press.
- 9) Sew the remaining sashing strips 58-1/2 inches to the sides. Press
- 10) Sew the 6-1/2 inch outside border strips end to end. Cut 2 strips 58-1/2 inches long and 2 strips 71 inches long. Sew the 58-1/2 strips to the top and bottom. Press. Sew the 71 inch strips to the sides. Press.



Finishing the quilt

- 11) Layer the quilt with batting and backing. Quilt as desired.
- 12) Trim the edges of the the quilt even with the top and bind as preferred.

