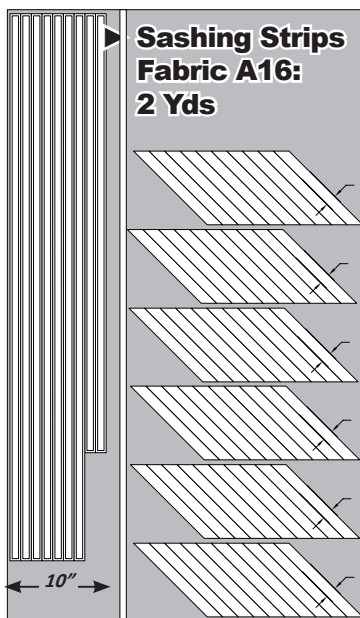


► Sashing Cutting



NOTE - Measuring your Quilt Gives you Perfect Dimensions: I do recommend that you measure the length of your rows before you make this cut. It is more important that the strips fit the actual sewn length of your rows than it is to match our calculation for the cut sizes.

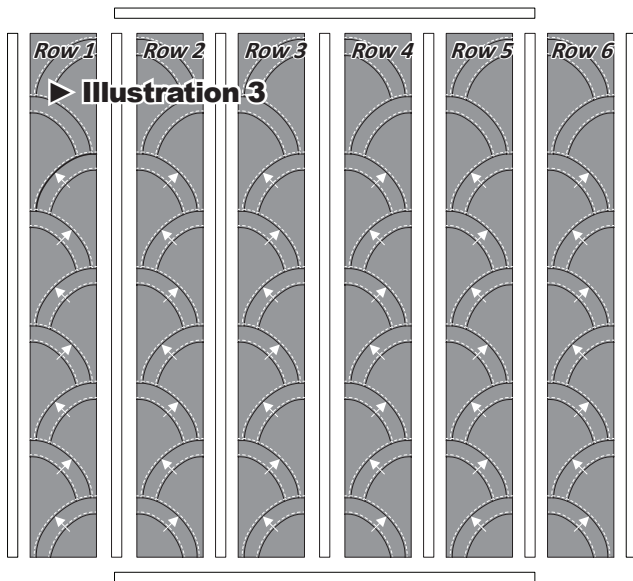
Step 1: Sub-cut a 10" x 72" strip, then Cut (7) strips measuring 1-1/4" (width) by 64" (length) for the vertical strips. Reserve the rest for the horizontal sashing strips in Step 6.

Step 2: If you are using the same fabric for the Clamshell sashing as for the sashing strips, cut (6) strips measuring 9" by 30" from the remaining fabric. Use a 45 degree angle on your ruler to

cut bias strips. One strip yields (10) bias strips. You need (54). Place (24) pieces in each Bag #2BL and #2BR. Place (3) pieces in each Bag #3CL and #3CR.

NOTE - Don't Cut the Interior Border Strips yet: The sewing should be completed on the sashing before completing the cutting on the border strips.

Step 3: Arrange the sashing strips as shown in Illustration 3. One strip is sewn onto the left side of each row #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. A second strip is sewn on the right-side of row #6.



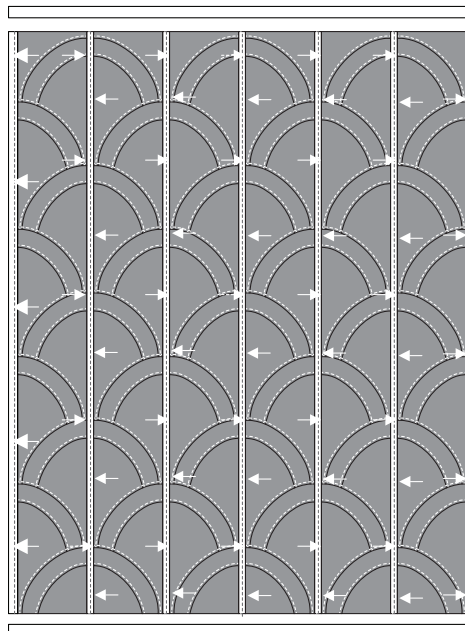
Step 4: Find the center points on the first sashing strip and Row 1. This can be done simply by folding both pieces in half. Pin the centers and then both ends. Finish pinning the sashing onto Row 1, placing the pins about every 6". When you are done pinning, use your fabric glue pen and glue the raw edges of both fabrics together.

NOTE - Glue Is Important! When sewing two strips of fabrics together, the feed dog on your machine will feed the bottom fabric through faster than the top fabric. When the raw edges of two pieces are glued together the feed dogs will feed both fabrics evenly under the presser-foot.

Step 5: At your machine before you sew, place the pieced blocks next to the feed dogs leaving the sashing on top. A quarter-inch seam allowance is sewn the full length of your pieces.

Pressing: The seams are pressed towards the sashing as shown in Illustration 4.

► Illustration 4



Step 6: Cut (2) strips measuring 1-1/4" (width) by 51-1/2" (calculated, but it's best to measure your quilt across the center and then cut that dimension!) for the top and bottom sashing. Sewing them onto the quilt and press as shown in Illustration 5.

► Border Strips:

NOTE - Measure!: Don't forget, measured lengths will work better than our calculated lengths on your quilt.

► Interior Border Strips: 2 Yds

We cut these from Fabric B4, but any background or alternate color would work. For the Cover Quilt, cut 2-1/2" strips. You can cut up to 5" wide strips to make the quilt a little bigger (up to 68" x 82") without needing extra strip border pieces. You need at least 1-7/8 Yd, but 2 Yds is Recommended.

It is now time to decide how big you want your quilt! If you reference page 21, you'll see the border is constructed by trimming away part of the border units to get the exact size for your quilt. The cover quilt used 2-1/2", but you can cut wider borders for a larger quilt if you like. You can use an Interior border up to 5" wide (total quilt would be 68" x 82" finished size).

Step 1: Cut (2) strips measuring 2-1/2" (or your desired width) by 65-1/2" (length) for the side borders. (Measure the length of the quilt before you cut).

Step 2: Cut (2) strips measuring 2-1/2" (or your desired width) 60-1/2" (length) for the top and bottom borders.

Step 3: The two side borders are sewn onto your quilt first. The borders are pinned and glued before sewing the seam. After the sewing is complete, the seams are pressed towards the border.

Step 4: The top and bottom strips are measured and then sewn onto the quilt to complete the center section of your quilt. The seams are pressed toward the borders.