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Checker Board Pattern Quilt

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Board games have always been popular, and a great way to bond with family and friends. What's better than the age old game of checkers. This fabric version is portable and practical for travel and the outdoors. You can fold it or roll it up and take it with you, and the zippy pouch is perfect for your checker pieces. It works up quickly and would make a great gift! A confident beginner could tackle this project.

FINISHED QUILT SIZE: 23 1/2" x 23 1/2"

SKILL LEVEL: Beginner/Intermediate

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Red Solid - 1/4 yard
- Pink Solid - 1/4 yard
- Border Fabric - 1/4 yard
- Backing Fabric - 27" square or 3/4 yard
- Binding Fabric - 1/4 yard
- Batting 27" square



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QUILT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut 2 - 2 1/2" strips WOF of each red and pink solid fabric. Join strips together as shown in diagram a. Make 2 strip segments.



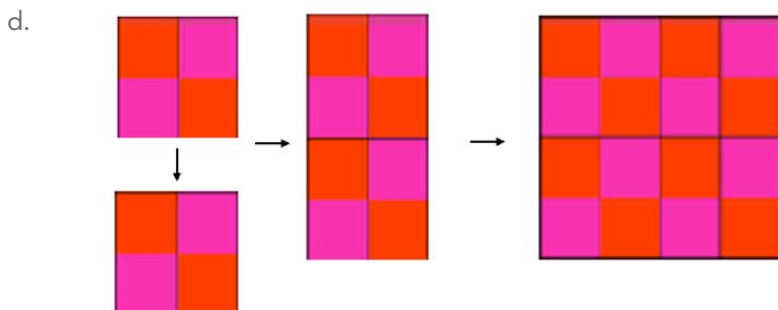
2. Cut into 2 1/2 x 4 1/2" segments (see diagram b). You will need 32 of these. 16 from each strip set.



3. Join these segments forming four patches as in diagram c.

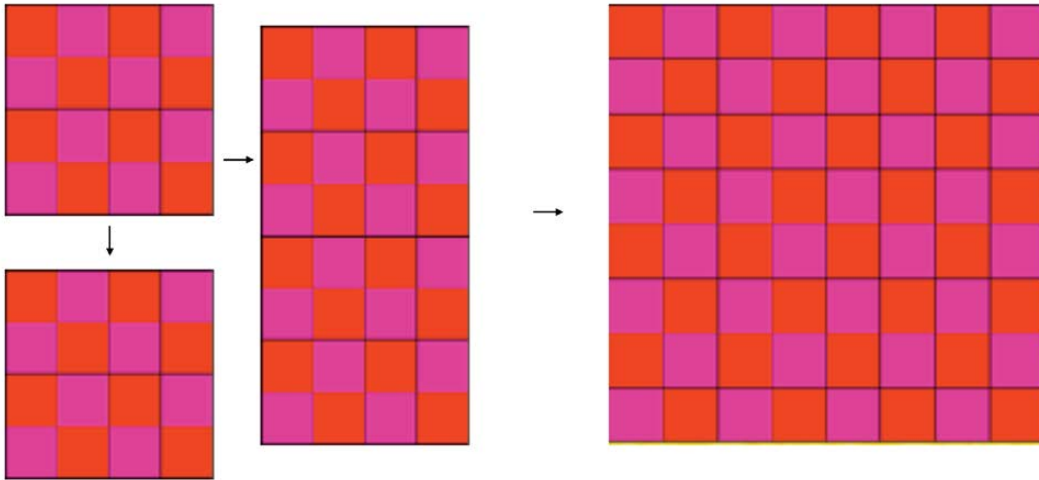


4. Join 4 - 4 patches as in diagram d. to form 4 - 16 patches.

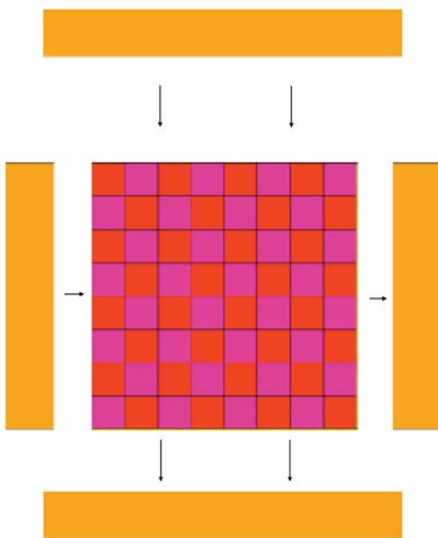


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5. Join 4 - 16 patch blocks to create your 64 square checkerboard.



6. Cut 2 border strips $16 \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \frac{1}{2}$ ". Join strips to the sides of the checkerboard. Cut 2 more border strips $22 \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \frac{1}{2}$ ". Join to the top and the bottom of the checkerboard.



7. Cut a 27" square of batting and backing fabric. Layer and baste your quilt sandwich and quilt as desired.
8. Cut 3 - $2 \frac{1}{4}$ " strips for your binding. Join strips end to end. Fold in half lengthwise and press with an iron. Join the binding to the front edge of your checkerboard by machine. Fold the binding over the edge of your checkerboard and hand stitch in place.

CHECKERS:

To make the checker pieces, cut a $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " dowel into 24 quarter inch discs. Divide into 2 piles of 12. Paint 12 of the discs a colour of your choice, and paint the other 12 a contrasting colour. Choose colours that will contrast your checkerboard.

OPTION:

Before painting, drill 2 small holes close to the centre of the disc. This will give the checker pieces the look of buttons

