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# MORRIS EARTHUY PARADISE

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Finished Size: 75"x75"

Block Size: 12"x12" and 6"x6"

#### **Quilters Basics**

Fabric 9 - 8336-12

Read instructions before beginning a project. • All instructions include a ¼" seam allowance. • Press as you go. Press seams in one direction.

• 22" measurement is approximate. • WOF = Width of Fabric, LOF = Length of Fabric

## Cutting

For ease of piecing, sort pieces by size and color as they are cut.



#### **Fat Quarters**

Set aside 1 gold (8334-22), 1 red (8832-21) and 1 blue (8334-22) fat quarter for border stars.

From each of the remaining 18 FQs:

- Cut 1-6½"x22" strip
   Subcut 1-6½"x6½" center square. Save the remainder of the strip for appliqué
- Cut 2–3½"x22" strips Subcut 8–3½"x3½" squares for large flying geese points
- Cut 1-2"x22" strip
   Subcut 8-2"x2" squares for small flying geese points

From each of the 3 FQs for Border Stars cut:

• Cut 2–2"x22" strips Subcut 16–2"x2" squares for small flying geese points

#### **Backgrounds**

Note: Sort and label pieces as they are cut.

Fabric 1-3 Large and 6 Small Stars; 4 appliqué bkgds.

- Cut 2–13"xWOF strips
   Subcut 4–13"x13" squares for appliqué backgrounds
- Cut 4–3½"xWOF strips Subcut 18–3½"x3½" squares for large block corners, small star centers and 12–3½"x6½" rectangles for large flying geese backgrounds
- Cut 4–2"xWOF strip
   Subcut 24–2"x2" squares for small block corners and 24–2"x3½" rectangles for small star flying geese backgrounds.



Fabric 10 - 8332-21

## Cutting (cont.)

#### Fabric 2 – 4 Large and 4 Small Stars

- Cut 5–3½"xWOF strips Subcut 20–3½"x3½" squares for large block corners, small star centers and 16–3½"x6½" rectangles for large flying geese backgrounds.
- Cut 5–2"xWOF strips
   Subcut 16–2"x2" squares for small block corners and
   16–2"x3½"rectangles for small star flying geese backgrounds.

Use 2 remaining strips for inner border.

#### Fabric 3 – 4 Large and 4 Small Stars

Cut 1–8"xWOF strips
 Subcut 4–8"x8" squares for appliqué stems.

From remainder of strip cut  $4-3\frac{1}{2}$ "x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares for small star centers.

- Cut 4–3½"xWOF strips Subcut 16–3½"x3½" squares for large block corners, small star centers and 16–3½"x6½" rectangles for large flying geese backgrounds
- Cut 3–2"xWOF strips
   Subcut 16–2"x2" squares for small block corners and
   16–2"x3½"rectangles for small star flying geese backgrounds.

#### Fabric 4 – 3 Large and 8 Small Stars

- Cut 4–3½"xWOF strips Subcut 20–3½"x3½" squares for large block corners, small star centers and 12–3½"x6½" rectangles for large flying geese backgrounds
- Cut 9–2"xWOF strips
   Subcut 32–2"x2" squares for small block corners and 32–2"x3½" rectangles for small star flying geese backgrounds.

Use 4 remaining strips for 2 inner borders.

#### Fabric 5 – 4 Large Stars

- Cut 4–3½"xWOF strips Subcut 16–3½"x3½" squares for large block corners and 16–3½"x6½" rectangles for large flying geese backgrounds
- Cut 2–2"xWOF strips for inner border.

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#### **Outer Borders**

#### Fabrics 6 and 7

Follow the directions below to prepare the top and bottom outer borders. Each border requires 2 matching 6½" x WOF strips.

- 1. Choose a motif on the printed selvage side of the fabric. Clip or mark the spot.
- 2. Measure down 6½" and clip or mark that spot.
- 3. Continue along the printed selvage until you find the repeat of the motif which was chosen in Step 1. Clip or mark that spot.
- 4. Measure down 6½" and clip or mark that spot. It should be the same as the one in Step 2.
- Using a rotary cutter and ruler carefully cut the marked strips across the width of the fabric.
   Yield: 2 matching 6½" x WOF border strips.
- 6. Remove selvages and join the 2 strips end to end matching the motifs. Repeat with second set.
- 7. Cut the Fabric 6 Top Border strip to measure 6½" x 69½". Cut the Fabric 7 Bottom Border strip to measure 6½" x 63½".

#### Fabrics 8 and 9

Follow the directions below to prepare both the left and right side outer borders. Each border requires 2 matching 6½" x WOF strips.

- 1. Choose a motif along the top raw edge of the fabric. Clip or mark the spot.
- 2. Measure across 6½" and clip or mark that spot.
- Continue along the top edge of fabric until you find the repeat of the motif which was chosen in Step 1. Clip or mark that spot.
- 4. Measure across 6½" and clip or mark that spot. It should be the same as the one in Step 2.
- 5. Using a rotary cutter and ruler carefully cut the marked strips down the length of the fabric.
  - Yield: 2 matching 6½"x LOF border strips.
- 6. Remove selvages and join the 2 matching strips end to end matching the motifs. Repeat with second set.
- 7. Cut the Fabric 8 Left Border strip to measure 6½"x 57½". Cut the Fabric 9 Right Border strip to measure 6½"x 51½".

#### Fabric 10 – Binding

1. Cut  $8-2\frac{1}{2}$ "xWOF strips for binding.

#### Construction

This quilt is made of 17 large star blocks, 22 small star blocks, and 4 applique blocks.

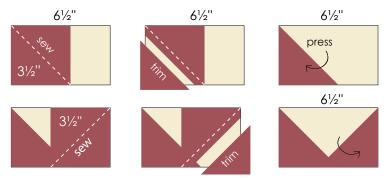
Each star block, large or small requires 4 matching flying geese units, 1 center square and 4 corner squares.

Follow the directions below. Make all of the flying geese units first.

Note: Refer to chart at right to pair print fabrics and background fabrics.

#### How to Make Flying Geese

- 1. Using a mechanical pencil, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 3½" squares.
- 2. With right sides together align edges of marked square and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle noting direction of marked line.
- 3. Stitch on the marked line. Trim ¼" from the sewn line. Trim away only the middle layer, do not cut away the background. This will help keep units square.
- 4. Press to the corner to form a triangle.
- 5. Repeat steps 2-4 on the opposite end to make a large flying geese unit.



Unit should measure 3½"x6½"

- 6. Repeat steps 1-5 to make  $72 3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " large flying geese units.
- 7. Repeat the steps again to make 88 small flying geese units using the 2" print squares and 2" x 3½" background rectangles. You'll have 16 extra 2" squares.

EO Pairs		Packaraunda
FQ Pairs		Backgrounds
8331 15	8334 22	Fabric 2 – Fabric 2
8332 19	8335 17	Fabric 5 – Fabric 5
8334 13	8331 18	Fabric 3 – Fabric 5
8335 13	8334 20	Fabric 1 – Fabric 4
8333 11	8336 15	Fabric 1 – Fabric 1
8336 12	8332 29	Fabric 2 – Fabric 3
8336 18	8333 19	Fabric 4 – Fabric 4
8332 23	8330 11	Fabric 3 – Fabric 3
8330 15	8332 21	Fabric 5 – Fabric 2

Follow the piecing directions on the next page to piece 2 large star blocks from each pair of fabrics using the background fabrics listed to the right.

Some pairs will use the same background for both blocks and some will use two different backgrounds.



### Construction (cont.)

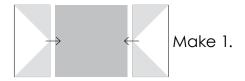
#### Piecing the Large Star Blocks

Each large star block requires 4 matching flying geese units, 4 corner squares and 1 center square. The large star blocks are assembled in pairs. The matching flying geese "points" fabric in one star block will be the center square in the second block and vice versa. The backgrounds may or may not be the same with each pair. Refer to the chart on the previous page for fabric pairs and background selections.

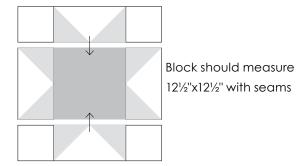
1. Stitch a 3½" background corner square to opposite sides of a 3½"x6½" flying geese unit. Press toward arrows. Make 2.



2. Add a matching flying geese unit to opposite sides of a 6½"x 6½" center square. Triangles should point away from the center square. Press toward arrows. Make 1.



3. Join pieced units to make 1 star block. Press toward arrows. Block should measure 12½"x 12½" with seams.



Repeat Steps 1-3 to make 18 large star blocks. You will use 17 blocks. Save the extra to add to the back of the quilt for a label.







#### Piecing the Small Star Blocks

All small star blocks have a background fabric in the center square. Make 4 small star blocks from each of the following background fabrics – Fabrics 1, 2, 3 and 4.

- 1. Using the smaller 2"x 3½" flying geese units, the 2" corner squares and the 3½" center squares, follow the large star piecing directions to make a total of 16 small star blocks for quilt center. Small star blocks should measure 6½" x 6½" with seams.
- 2. Stitch the 16 small star blocks into 4 sets of 4 using one of each background in each set.

  Refer to quilt image on front of pattern for color placement.

  The darker background will create a circular movement when stitched around the large center star block.

Border Stars	Backgrounds
8334 22 8332 21	Fabric 4
8334 24	Fabric 1

3. Repeat to make 6 small star blocks for outer border. Use Fabric 4 for the background when making the red and gold outer border star blocks and Fabric 1 when making the blue stars. Small star blocks should measure 6½"x6½" with seams.

### **Appliqué**

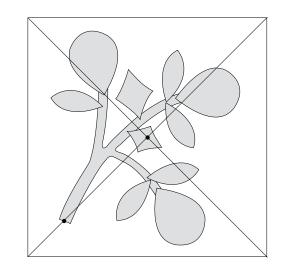
Choose your favorite method of appliqué to make the 4 appliqué blocks.

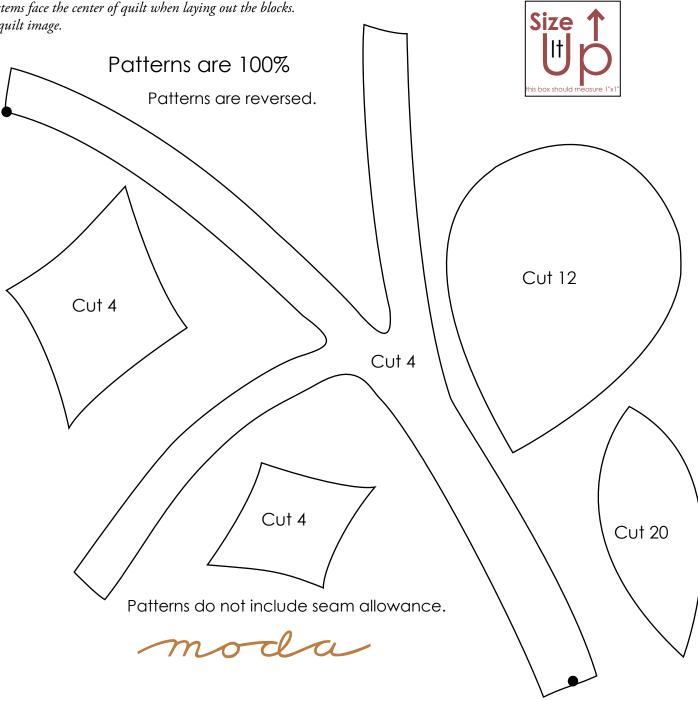
- 1. Fold each 13"x 13" Fabric 1 background square in have twice diagonally to find center. Press lightly to make diagonal lines.
- 2. Use the patterns on page 6 to make templates and prepare pieces for applique.cut pieces for appliqué. Patterns are 100%, and are reversed for fusible applique. They do not include seam allowance.

### Appliqué (cont.)

- 3. Cut stems as one piece from the 8"x 8" Fabric 3 squares. Cut flowers, leaves and diamonds from assorted FQ scraps. Choose whichever fabrics catch your fancy.
- 4. To center appliqué on background square, position dots on stem along diagonal crease. Then add flowers, leaves and diamonds. Make 4 blocks.
- 5. When appliqué is complete trim each block to measure 12½"x 12½" with seams.

**NOTE:** All blocks are identical, but in order to achieve a circular motion, rotate each block one quarter turn so that the stems face the center of quilt when laying out the blocks. See quilt image.





### Quilt Assembly

Quilt consists of 5 rows of 5 blocks.

Refer to the quilt image for placement of the various blocks. Press seams for each row in opposite directions.

Quilt center should measure  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $60\frac{1}{2}$ " with seams.

#### **Inner Borders**

Stitch matching pairs of border strips end to end. You should have 4 border strips 2 of Fabric 4 and 1 each of Fabrics 2 and 5.

Cut 1 Fabric 4 and the Fabric 5 border strips to measure 2"x60½". Add Fabric 5 strip to left side of quilt and Fabric 4 strip to right side of quilt. Press toward inner border.

Cut remaining inner border strips to measure  $2"x63\frac{1}{2}"$ ; add the Fabric 2 strip to top of quilt and the last Fabric 4 strip to the bottom. Press toward borders.

#### **Outer Borders**

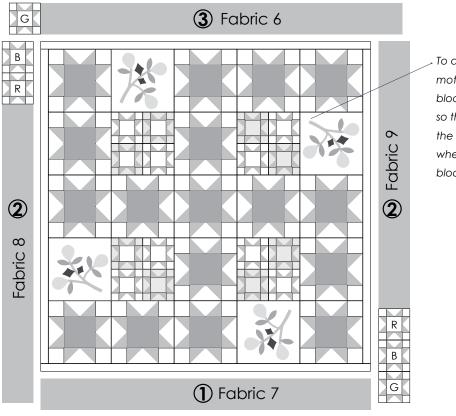
#### Adding Stars to the Borders

- 1. Stitch a gold star block to the left end of the Fabric 6 top border. Press toward border.
- 2. Sew a blue and red star block to the top end of the left Fabric 8 border as shown. Press toward border.
- 3. Add remaining three star blocks to the bottom end of the right Fabric 9 border. Press toward border.

#### Adding Pieced Borders to Quilt Top

- 1. Stitch the Fabric 7 bottom border without stars to the bottom of quilt top. Press toward outer border.
- 2. Add the left and right pieced borders to the sides of the quilt. Press toward outer border.
- 3. Finally add the pieced top border to complete the quilt Press toward border.

Quilt should measure 75½"x75½" with seams.



To achieve a circular motion, rotate each block one quarter turn so that the stems face the center of quilt when laying out the blocks.

## Finishing

Using a diagonal seam, join the  $8 - 2\frac{1}{2}$ "xWOF strips end to end. Press seams open. Fold prepared strip in half wrong sides together and press to make the binding.

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## Fabric Requirements\_ 21 Fat Quarters Plus-Fabric 1 1½ yds Fabric 2 1 yd Fabric 3 1 yd Fabric 4 1 yd Fabric 5 3/4 yd 9900-242 9900-313 9900-128 9900-179 9900-201 Fabric 6 3/8 yd Fabric 7 % yd Fabric 8 1/8 yd Fabric 9 1/2 yd Fabric 10 % yd 8335-13 8330-12 8336-12 8332-21

Backing 4¾ yds.

Also needed: 1 yard 20-22" fusible web Template plastic for appliqué



PS8330— SUGGESTED RETAIL \$6.00







