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Fabric Requirements:
37499-X Multi Block Pattern - 1 row of (6) blocks
37450-X Multi I Love Handmade Print - 3/4 yard if you want some wiggle room
37451-1 Blue Flowers - 1/2 yard
37451-2 Off White Flowers - 1 1/4 yards
37453-1 Blue Dots - 3/4 yard
37453-5 Red Dots - 1/2 yard
37454-1 Blue Buttons - 3/8 yard
31835 White Solid (1930's solids) - 5/8 yard
Backing - 4 yards
Bonding fabric for blocks - optional
Batting

Special Note:
The quilt is made from a lot of 2 1/2” blocks. It is very important to be accurate as possible in cutting and sewing. Always check measurements as you go to be sure your small squares are 2” x 2” when sewn.

Cutting:
1. 31835 White solid
   Cut (6) 2 1/2” x Width of Fabric (WOF) strips, sub-cut into:
   (24) 2 1/2” x 8 1/2” strips for heart block
   (12) 2 1/2” squares for heart block
   Cut (2) 2 7/8” x WOF strips, sub-cut into:
   (24) 2 7/8” squares for heart block

2. 37454-1 Blue Buttons
   Cut (3) 2 1/2” x WOF strips, sub-cut into:
   (27) 2 1/2” squares for second border
   (12) 2 1/2” squares for heart block
   Cut (2) 2 7/8” x WOF strips, sub-cut into:
   (24) 2 7/8” squares for heart block
3. 37453-5 Red Dots
   Cut (6) 2 1/2" x WOF Strips, sub-cut into:
   (86) 2 1/2" squares for third and fourth borders

4. 37451-1 Blue Flowers
   Cut (1) 4 1/2" x WOF Strip, sub-cut into:
   (6) 4 1/2"x 4 1/2" squares for heart centers
   Fussy cut (24) 2 1/2" squares with the flower in the center for corners of 12" blocks.

5. 37453-1 Blue Dots
   Cut (5) 2 1/2" x WOF strips.
   Sub-cut into: (2) 2 1/2"x 48 1/2" strips for sides of inner borders
   Piece together to create: (2) 2 1/2"x 40 1/2" for top and bottom inner border
   Cut (6) 2 1/4"x WOF strips for binding

6. 37451-2 Off White Flowers
   Cut (5) 4 1/2" x WOF Strips. Piece together to create:
   (2) 4 1/2"x 52 1/2" strips for sides of second border
   (2) 4 1/2"x 48 1/2" strips for top and bottom second border
   Cut (7) 2 1/2"x WOF Strips, sub-cut into:
   (112) 2 1/2" squares for third and fourth borders

7. 37450-X Multi I love Handmade Print
   Cut (2) 12 1/2"x WOF Strips, sub-cut into:
   (6) 12 1/2" squares for applique blocks

Assembly:

All seams allowances are 1/4" wide.

1. Heart Block
   a. Make 1/2 square triangles
      Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 2 7/8" white squares.
      With right sides facing, layer the 2 7/8" blue button square on top of the white square.
      Stitch 1/4" on each side of the drawn line. Cut apart on the drawn line. Press squares open with
      seam allowance to the print side. Yield: (48)
b. Take (2) half square triangle squares and sew together. This is for the top of the heart. D1

c. Take (2) half square triangle squares and sew together. This is for the bottom of the heart. D2
d. Join top and bottom of heart with 4 1/2” square. D3
e. Take (2) half square triangles, (1) 2 1/2” button square and (1) white 2 1/2” square and join together as shown in D4 for left side of heart. Repeat in reverse for the opposite side. D5
f. Join each side to the heart center as shown in D6.

g. Take (2) white 2 1/2” x 8 1/2” rectangles and sew one on each side of the heart. D7
h. Take (2) 2 1/2” fussy cut flower squares and (1) 2 1/2” x 8 1/2” rectangle and sew a flower square on each end of the rectangle. D8
Repeat one more time.

i. Take each D8 strip and place it on top and bottom of the heart block. D9

j. Repeat the above steps a-i for the other (5) heart blocks.
2. Applique Block
   a. Take one of the panel blocks and cut apart leaving an equal amount of blue border all around the outside. Fold under the seam allowance leaving a 1/8” blue border. Press.
   b. Center the block on the 12 1/2” square of the I love handmade print. Pin to secure in place.
   Edge stitch around block in matching bright blue thread. D10
   c. Turn to wrong side and cut away the bottom layer of fabric under the block leaving a 1/4” seam to reduce bulk.

   **Note:** If you like, you can clean cut the block removing all blue border and applique it on the 12 1/2” square using a bright blue thread and a wide zigzag stitch. You can also use a bonding fabric to secure the applique block before sewing.

   d. Repeat for the other 5 blocks.

3. Middle Assembly
   a. Assemble the heart and applique blocks into 4 rows of 3 blocks following the quilt layout below. D11
4. Adding Borders
   a. First Border - Add blue dot 2 1/2” x 48 1/2” strips to each side followed by the 2 1/2” x 40 1/2” top and bottom strips.
   b. Second Border - Add off white flower 4 1/2” x 52 1/2” strips to each side followed by the 2 1/2” x 48 1/2” top and bottom strips.
   c. Third Border - Take the 2 1/2” red dot squares, 2 1/2” off white flower squares and 2 1/2” blue button squares and alternate to create the border. Starting with an OFF WHITE flower, alternate as shown ending with an OFF WHITE flower block. Total 29 blocks for the side border. Repeat one more time for the other side border.
Repeat the same rotation for the top and bottom borders but starting and ending with the BLUE BUTTON square. Total 25 blocks for the top border. Repeat again for the bottom border.

d. Fourth Border - Take the 2 1/2” Red dot squares and the 2 1/2” off white flower squares and alternate to create the fourth border. Starting and ending with an OFF WHITE square for a total 31 squares for each side border. Create the top and bottom borders but starting and ending with a RED DOT square for a total of 27 squares for each border.

**FINAL ASSEMBLY**

a. Add the third borders to each side, then add the top and bottom. Be careful to line up blocks at top and bottom corners.
b. Add the fourth border to the sides then the top and bottom. Once again be careful to line up the blocks following the Final Assembly Diagram picture on last page.
c. Layer top, batting and backing and quilt using your favorite design.
d. Join binding pieces and bind your quilt.

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