RACE DAY
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Playmat/Nap Quilt - 43 ½” x 63 ½”
Race Day Play Mat

Please read all instructions carefully AND identify all fabrics before beginning. All instructions include a 1/4" seam allowance and strips are cut selvage to selvage, unless stated otherwise.

1. Cut the following for Play Mat:

**Fabric A** - Fussy cut panel to approximately 23-1/2" x 43-1/2".

**Fabric B** - Referring to the quilt image, fussy cut strips, the length of fabric parallel to selvage: (2) 9-1/2” x 66” and (2) 9-1/2” x 47” stripe borders

**Fabric F** - Cut (6) 2-1/2” x WOF strips (binding) Cut (4) 1-1/2” strips, sewn together end to end then cut into (2) 1-1/2” x 43-1/2” and (2) 1-1/2” x 25-1/2” borders

2. Piecing Order for Play Mat:

1. Refer to Play Mat Layout for arrangement and placement of panels and borders.

2. Stitch 1-1/2” x 43-1/2” Fabric F strips to long sides of Fabric A panel. Add 1-1/2” x 25-1/2” Fabric F strips to top and bottom.

3. Center a Fabric B 9-1/2” x 66” border on long sides and Fabric B 9-1/2” x 47” borders on top and bottom with word stripe next to the bordered panel. Stitch borders to sides starting and stopping 1/4” from outside edges of quilt center. Do not trim. Press borders out.

4. Working with 1 corner at a time, fold the quilt right sides together so the outside edges of the borders line up. Using a 45-degree ruler, mark from the end of border seams to outer edges of borders. Stitch along marked line. Trim seam allowance to 1/4”. Press corner seam open.

5. Repeat on remaining corners.

6. The play mat top measures approximately 43-1/2” x 63-1/2” (unfinished). Make backing (Fabric H) at least 8” larger than the top.

7. Layer and baste play mat top, batting, and backing together. Quilt as desired. Attach binding (Fabric F) and enjoy!!

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**PLAY MAT LAYOUT**

Measurements are the cut size. Arrows indicate orientation of directional prints.