

Pass the Salsa

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Combine 14 “chips” (5” squares) of Northcott’s *Stonehenge Gradations Mixers* in a fun and sassy table runner. Add Mixers to your next quilting project and let the party begin!

Finished size: 19½” x 48¼”

Skill level: Confident beginner

Number of blocks & finished size: (14) 5¾” square-in-a-square blocks (6¼” edge-to-edge)

Cutting Instructions: wof = width of fabric

◊ = cut once diagonally

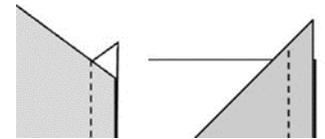
⊠ = cut twice diagonally

Label pieces as indicated and cut in the order listed.

Fabric	Yardage	Cutting
A - <i>Stonehenge Gradations Mixers</i> chips	1 pack of (14) 5” squares	◊ Draw an “x” from corner to corner on the BACK of each square.
B – background #26758-99	1yd	◊ Cut 1 strip 9¾” x wof; cut into (3) 9¾” squares ⊠(B2) and (2) 5” squares ◊(B3) ◊ Cut 2 strips 5” x wof; cut into (14) 5” squares (B1). ◊ Cut 7 strips 1½” x wof; cut into (40) 6¼” pieces (B4) and (27) 1½” squares (B5)
C – binding #26756-990	½yd	◊ Cut 4 strips 2” x wof; join end-to-end and press in half for binding.
Backing	A 22” x 54” piece	

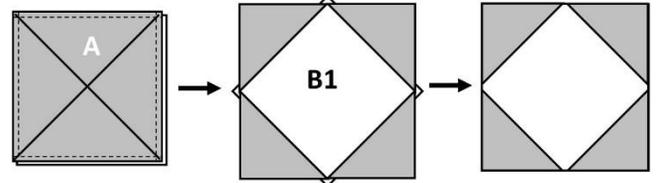
General Piecing: All seams are ¼”. Press toward darker fabric unless indicated.

Tip for aligning patches for sewing: When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and they are sloped at opposite angles, they are correctly aligned when they meet at the ¼” seam line as shown at right. When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and only one is sloped at an angle, they are correctly aligned when they meet ⅜” from the edge as shown at far right. However, sew them together with a ¼” seam.

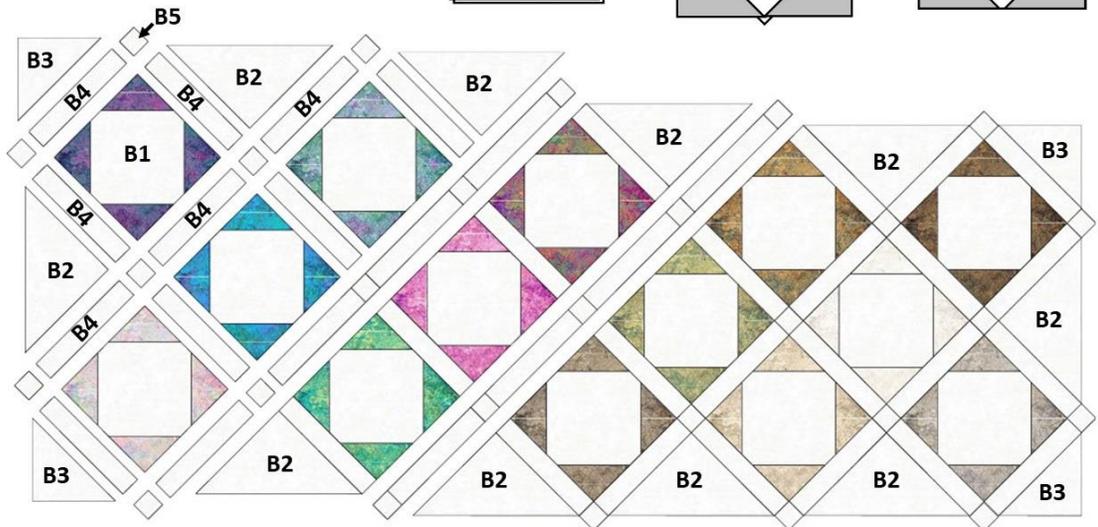


Piecing:

1. Lay each Fabric A square face down on a B1 square and sew a ¼” seam on all sides. Without cutting B, carefully cut Fabric A square along drawn lines and finger-press seams toward A. Trim unit to 6¼”.



2. Following layout diagram, arrange the blocks from step 1 in 2 rows of 2, turning the blocks “on-point” (at a 45° angle). Insert the remaining 4 blocks in the spaces between 1st and 2nd rows. Add the B2 triangles along edges and the B3 triangles at outer corners. Insert the B4 pieces between blocks and blocks/triangles and insert the B5 squares at B4 intersections.



3. Sew into diagonal rows, finger-pressing seams toward B4, then sew the diagonal rows together, matching seams at intersections.

Finishing:

Layer the backing, a 25” x 52” piece of batting and the quilt top. Baste and quilt as desired. Trim edges even with quilt top. Sew the prepared binding to the edges with a ¼” seam, turn and stitch in place. Enjoy your new table runner!