

# Web Bonus: Cheddar is Better

Designed by  
**Dana Followwell**

Machine Quilted by  
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**Finished Quilt Size**  
67½" x 79"

**Number of Blocks and Finished Size**  
30 Cheddar Star Blocks, 9" x 9"

## Plan

Dana used scraps of brown, tan, black, purple, green, red, blue, and gold prints to make the strip-pieced squares in these classic blocks. For speed and ease of construction, our pattern calls for 20-22" long scrappy strips, but feel free to use shorter strips for an even scrappier look.

A good shade of cheddar can be hard to find in fabric shops; order a precut length from our online shop and add your own scrappy prints and cream solid to duplicate the look of Dana's gorgeous quilt.



## Shop

*Assorted prints (strip-pieced squares)	2¼-3¼ yds. total
Cream solid (blocks, sashing)	1⅞ yds.
Cheddar solid (stars, sashing posts, border, binding)	3 yds.
Backing (piece lengthwise)	5⅛ yds.
Batting size	76" x 88"

\*See Plan.

## Cut

### (in order listed)

Assorted prints—cut a total of:

120 strips 1-1½" x 20-22"

Cream solid

60 squares 3⅓" x 3⅓"

49 strips 3" x 9½"

Cheddar solid

\*4 strips 6½" x 72", cut on lengthwise  
grain

5 strips 2½" x 64", cut on lengthwise  
grain (binding)

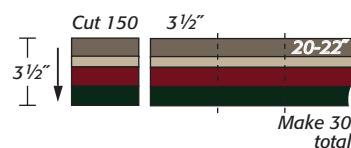
60 squares 3⅓" x 3⅓"

20 squares 3" x 3"

\*Border strips include extra length for  
trimming.

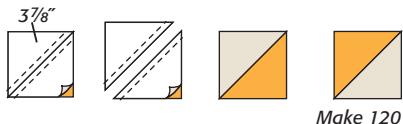
## Sew

- Referring to **Diagram I**, sew together 4 assorted 20-22" strips to make strip set measuring 3½" wide, trimming if necessary. Press all seams in same direction. Make 30 total. Cut 150 segments 3½" wide.



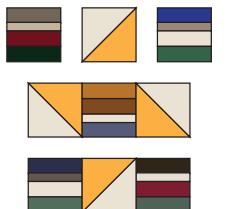
**Diagram I**

**2** Draw diagonal line on wrong side of cream  $3\frac{1}{8}$ " square. Place marked square on cheddar  $3\frac{1}{8}$ " square, right sides together (**Diagram II**). Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked line. Open and press to make 2 pieced squares. Make 120.



**Diagram II**

**3** Stitch 3 rows using 5 segments and 4 pieced squares (**Diagram III**). Stitch rows together to make Cheddar Star Block. Make 30 total.

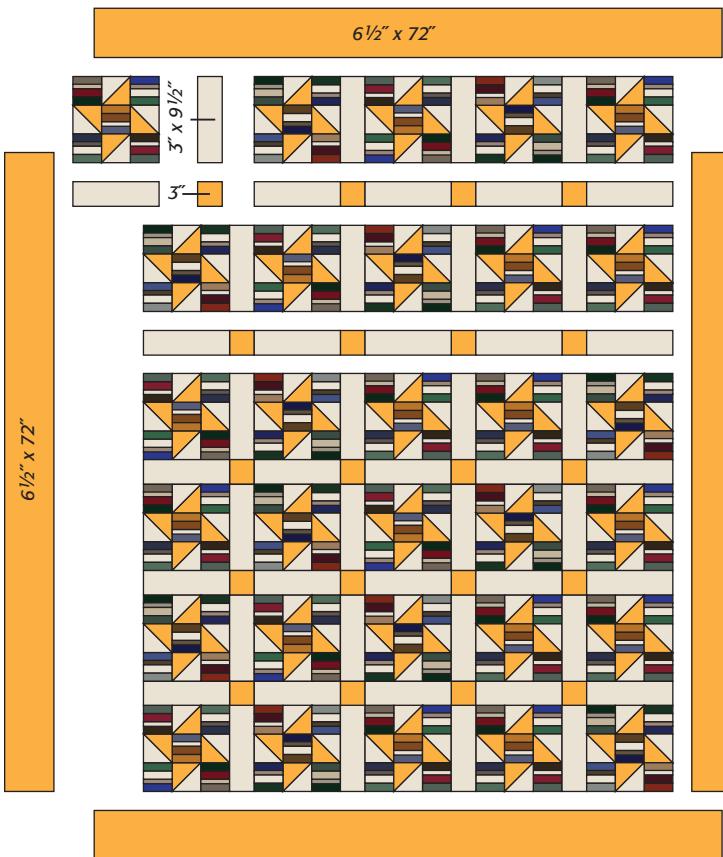


**Diagram III**

**4** Note: Refer to **Assembly Diagram** for following steps. Sew 6 block rows of 5 blocks and 4 cream  $9\frac{1}{2}$ " strips each. Sew 5 sashing rows of 5 cream strips and 4 cheddar 3" squares each. Sew rows together, alternating.

**5** Stitch cheddar 72" strips to sides; trim even with top and bottom. Stitch remaining 72" strips to top/bottom; trim even with sides.

**6** Layer, baste, and quilt. Sabina used cheddar-colored thread to machine quilt swirls in the quilt center and feathered motifs in the border. Bind with cheddar solid.



**Assembly Diagram**

