

*Arnprior Quilt Guild Mystery Quilt 2017-18*  
*Row Quilt - All About Town*

**PART 4- Sashing and Borders**

Ok...this will be long winded but hopefully well explained! All of our rows will now be joined together with sashing and then there will be 3 borders attached.

We can hardly wait to see all of the finished products.

**FINAL CUTTING:**

Sashing: From Background fabric: Cut 8 - 1 ½" by WOF  
-these will be pieced.

Inner and Outer Borders: From Background fabric: Cut  
13 - 2" by WOF  
-these will be pieced.

Decorative Border:

The decorative border will consist of 4 patterned cornerstones, 4 patterned border sections, and 4 plain sections that can be cut to length according to what the measurement of your quilt is. The border will use your background fabric, one other fabric you have for the plain joining pieces and then a wide variety of the remaining scraps to tie in all of the fabrics used.

From Background: cut 5 pieces 1 ½" by WOF  
Subcut into 58 - 3" pieces  
and 4 - 4" pieces

Scrappy Pieces: From all of the fabrics you have used,  
cut 58 - 3" squares

The choices for these squares can be as varied as you have scraps or can be more thought out in a colour pattern of your choice or using just a few of your favourites. The choice is yours.

Joining Pieces: Again this is a personal choice. The options are as many as you have enough fabric of – they can be a lighter or darker choice or even your background. The only restriction may be what you have enough fabric of.

Cut 4 – 4" by WOF

It is possible depending on how your quilt finished that you will need less then this.

### Binding:

In the colour of your choice,

Cut 320 " of binding the width that you would normally use to bind a quilt. (This does allow extra for size variance and finishing.)

### **Joining It All Together:**

**Please Note....there is a full diagram of the finished top on the last page. Please refer to this in order to understand my words!**

Sashing:

Cut 2 sections of the sashing into 3 equal pieces and attach each piece to the end of each of the remaining 6 WOF. These need to be at least 54 ½" or the finished width of your rows. Stitch these rows in the order shown on the last page. NOTE: the house and tree row will be joined directly to the fence row – there is NO additional sashing in between.

Press all the seams towards the sashing to reduce bulk.

At this point you quilt should measure approximately **54 ½" wide by 66 ½" long.**

Inner Border:

Solid borders are pieced and will be joined in a method of your choosing. Do take the time to check measures and square up as much as possible. Attach top and bottom, pressing seams toward border. Attach sides, again pressing seams toward border.

Now finished at **57 ½" by 69 ½"**....Hopefully but OK if not!

Decorative Border Piecing:

This border has been designed so that if there are discrepancies in the finished measures that it can easily be pieced to fit!

Join the 1 ½" background pieces to each 3 " square.

Press seam allowances to the coloured squares.

Choose 4 of these blocks to be used as the cornerstones.

Position the 4 blocks in the upper and lower corner positions with the coloured squares corner to corner with the quilt body. As shown in the last page diagram.

Attach the 4 – 1 ½" by 4" background pieces to the tops of the 2 top cornerstones and the bottoms of the two bottom cornerstones.

**At this point it is important to refer to the diagram so that the direction of the border pieces are correct.**

The remaining pieced blocks will be put together in 2 groups of 12 and 2 groups of 15, alternating the direction of the square portion of the block in the order and pattern shown in the diagram.

I would suggest laying out your pieces to achieve the pattern or randomness that you would like.

Joining pieces of border:

Here is where measuring will be crucial. Starting with the top and bottom 12 block sections of pieced border. Measure the width of your quilt so far. Determine the width of the pieced section of border and calculate how much of the joining strip you will need to fit the quilt width. Remember to include ¼" seam allowances. Piece the 2 sections together and attach to the top of the quilt. Press seam allowances towards the inner border. Repeat the same steps for the bottom border following placement on the last page diagram.

The sides of this border will be done the same way except the cornerstones will be included in your calculations. Once each side has the required length and the cornerstones attached, attach to the sides of the quilt. Please continue to refer to the diagram for piece placement.

If all is perfect! The finished size of the your quilt at this point will be **64 ½" by 76 ½"**.

Press seams towards the inner borders.

Outer Border:

Again these borders are pieced with the remaining background outer border pieces in a method of your choosing. Attach top and bottom sections first, pressing seams towards the outer border. Attach sides, again pressing seams toward the border.

Your final quilt measurement should be **67 ½" by 79 ½"**.

Guess What???? It's done!

Well almost. Backing, quilting and binding are up to you. Hopefully everyone will at least have their piecing done by June so that we will all be able to see how wonderful and different each one of them is.

I thank you all for your patience in my pattern writing skills!

Any questions or corrections please call Mary Devries @ 613-646-7431 or Patti Moore @ 613-623-8251.



Leaves

Checkerboard

Stars

Houses, Trees  
& Fence

Stars

Checkerboard

Leaves