## Spring Tulips Quilt© by Debby Kratovil



Quilt Size: 22" $\times 48^{\prime \prime}$
Block Size: 12"

Three vintage blocks have been updated for today's quilter. The top and bottom blocks in this wall banner have been converted to simple foundation paper piecing.

The center block can be either hand or machine appliquéd, using your favorite technique.

The top block in the original quilt has been simplified for ease of construction


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## A Trio of Tulips

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Flowers are everywhere in the springtime and they are also everywhere in my sewing room! I was given scores of these blocks from a quilting friend and I gathered three special blocks representing tulips for this cheery quilt. Two are pieced and one is appliqué and all three are 12 " of beauty. My appliqué block is slightly different from the one in this quilt in order to make it simpler to create. With blue and yellow sashings and a border of flowers, this is a lovely addition to welcome springtime into your home.

Block Size: 12"
Quilt Size: 22" x 48"

## Materials

- $1 / 2$ yard muslin
- $1 / 8$ yard green print
- $3 / 8$ yard yellow print (or a variety of scraps to equal $3 / 8$ yard)
- $1 / 4$ yard red print
- $1 / 2$ yard blue (includes binding)
- $3 / 4$ yard blue and yellow border print
- $1-1 / 2$ yards backing
- 26 " x 52 " batting

Method:

1. Press all seams as you sew.
2. For machine piecing, leave seam allowances on pattern pieces and use sewing machine guide for $1 / 4$ " seam allowance as you sew. For hand piecing, cut seam allowances away and transfer pattern pieces to template material; trace around templates on wrong side of fabric with pencil to mark seam lines and add $1 / 4$ " seam allowance to each piece as you cut the fabric.
3. Tulips Block \#1 (bottom block in the quilt) is paper pieced in separate units. Each of the three flowers is pieced using the top unit as shown. Make three copies of the 4 " foundation pattern and piece two blocks using yellow fabric and one block using pink fabric. The stem and leaves are also paper pieced: copy the two sections for each of the two outside (yellow) flowers, piece the two units for each flower and then join all three of the sections for a $4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ section. The center pink Tulip requires the addition of a $4-1 / 2$ " square of muslin to be added to the top. See the block diagram.
4. Tulips Block \#2 is appliquéd using your favorite method. See Step \#2 above and transfer patterns to template material. Cut out the basket, handle, leaves and flowers using the templates. Cut 1 " strips of green for the stems. Center the patches onto a 12-1/2" background square of muslin and appliqué in place.
5. Tulips Block \#3 uses a combination paper piecing and rotary cutting. Copy the 4 " unit for the tulip bloom three times and piece two using yellow fabric and one using pink fabric. Cut two $1-1 / 2$ " $\times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ muslin strips and stitch one to the top of each yellow flower. For the stem sections cut four 2-1/4" x 3-1/4" muslin strips and two 1 " x 3-1/4" green strips. Seam together two muslin strips and one green strip into the stem section. Make two of these sections, one for each of the yellow tulips. Press seams toward the green.
6. For the stem section of the pink tulip cut two $2-1 / 4 " \times 4-1 / 4 "$ muslin strips and one 1 " x $4-1 / 4$ " green strip. Seam together and press toward the green fabric. Sew this unit to the bottom of the pink tulip you paper pieced in Step 5 above.
7. Seam together the three tulip sections along their sides. Cut a $1-3 / 4$ " $\times 12-1 / 2$ " strip of green and sew to the bottom of the three tulip top section. Press seams toward the green
8. Cut one muslin and one blue Template A and one muslin and one blue Template A reversed (turn the template upside down and cut the reverse of the template). Pair and stitch a muslin and blue together. Press seams toward the blue. Repeat for the reverse units. Seam these two blue-muslin units together to make the base of the Tulips Block \#3.
9. Cut four $1-1 / 2$ " $\times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips of blue for sashing and stitch together with the three blocks, beginning and ending with the sashing strips. Cut two $1-1 / 2$ " $\times 40-1 / 2$ " strips of blue and sew to the sides of quilt top. Press seams.
10. Cut two $1 " \times 40-1 / 2 "$ strips of gold and sew one to each of the sides of quilt top. Cut two 1 " x 15-1/2" strips of gold and sew one to top and one to bottom of quilt.
11. Cut two $4 " \times 41-1 / 2 "$ strips of border print and sew to quilt sides. Cut two $4 " \times 22$ $1 / 2$ " strips of border print and sew to quilt top and bottom.
12. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing. Baste the layers together. Quilt as desired.
13. Cut 2-1/4" wide strip of fabric for binding. Fold in half lengthwise and press the fold line. Place raw edges of binding against raw edges on top of quilt. Sew with $1 / 4$ " seam allowance. Turn folded edge to back and stitch in place.


Pattern is reverse of finished block


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Spring Tulips - Outside Units



Tulips Basket Block \#2


A Trio of Tulips by Debby Kratovil. Templates for Basket Block.


Tulip Block \#3



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