

DEBBY KRATOVIL'S

# Calendar Girls<sup>®</sup>

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Idaho Beauty Table Runner - 35" x 57-1/2"      Block Size: 20"

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Idaho Beauty Block - June 17 - from the Quilter's Block-a-Day Calendar<sup>®</sup> - Martingale & Company

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All patch sizes can be found in your Block-a-Day Calendar.



Block Size: 20"  
Number of Blocks: 2  
Quilt Size: 35" x 57-1/2"

### Fabric Requirements:

- Color #1 - 1-1/2 yd. floral print (unpieced borders); if piecing borders, less yardage is needed
- Color #2 - 3/4 yd. cream background
- Color #3 - 1-1/4 yd. blue (sashings, blocks, binding)
- Color #4 - Fat 8th orange (sashing squares)
- 1 -3/4 yard backing
- Crib sized batting (45 x 60)

Idaho Beauty - June 17 block  
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### Cutting for 2 Blocks

Color #1: Cut 8 squares of floral print for Patch A.

Color #2: Cut 2 squares for Patch A; 8 rectangles for Patch B; 8 squares for Patch C; 8 squares for Patch E; 4 squares, recut along both diagonals for a total of 16 Patch F triangles.

Color #3: Cut 32 blue Patch D squares and recut into two triangles each (64 triangles for Patch B).

### Cutting for Sashings & Border

Color #3: Cut 7 strips 3" x 20-1/2" (sashings); cut 5 strips 2-1/8" x 42" for binding

Color #4: Cut 6 squares 3" x 3" (sashing squares)

Color #1: Cut 2 strips 5-1/2" x 36" and 2 strips 5-1/2" x 49" (will be trimmed to fit later)



Diagram 1  
Make 16

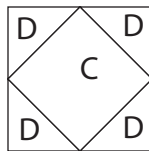


Diagram 2  
Make 8

1. Using the cream Patch F triangles and the blue Patch D triangles, make 16 Flying Geese units (Diagram 1)
2. Using the cream Patch C squares and the blue Patch D triangles, make 8 square in square units (Diagram 2)
3. Combine 8 Flying Geese units, 4 square in square units, 4 cream rectangles, 4 cream squares and 4 floral squares and piece into rows as shown in Diagram 3. Piece the rows into the Idaho Beauty Block. Repeat for a second block.

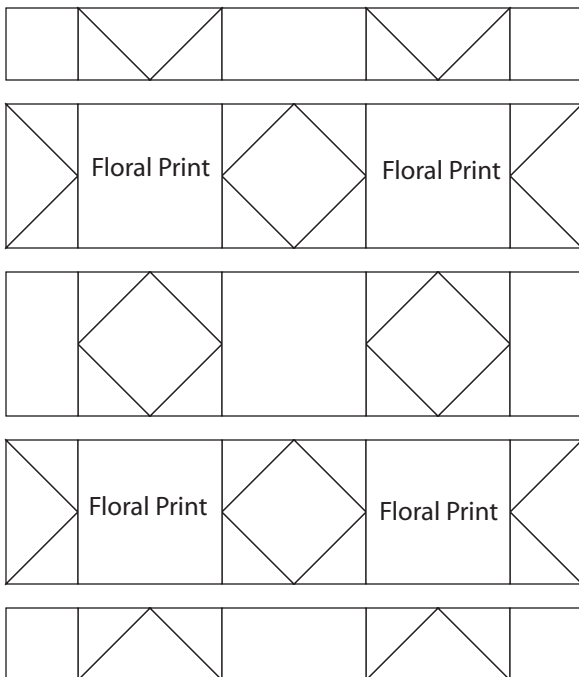


Diagram 3

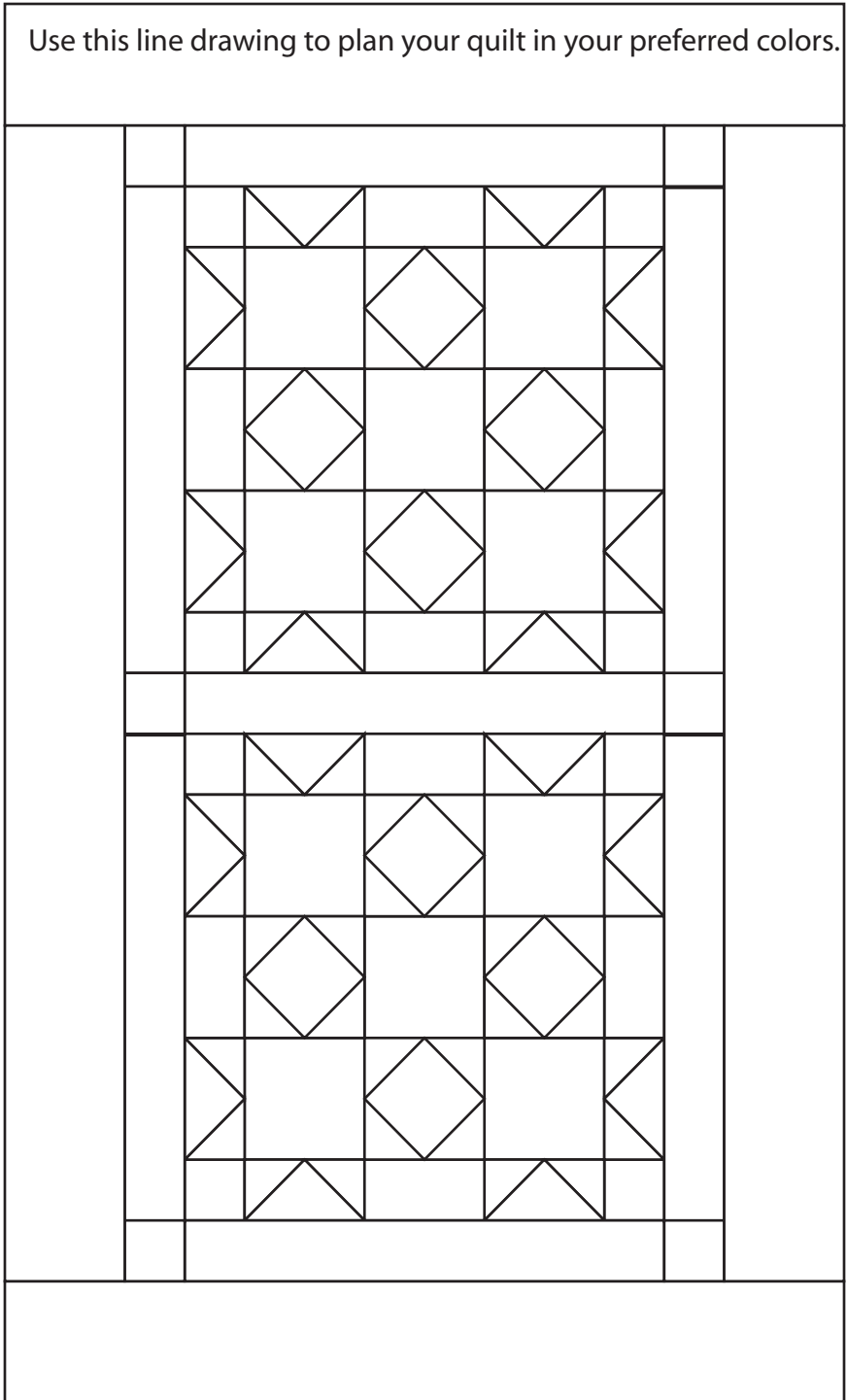
### Sashings, Borders & Finishing:

1. Refer to color diagram of quilt and arrange the two blocks with the 7 sashings and 6 squares.
2. Measure quilt from top to bottom and trim the 49" strips to that length. Sew to sides. Measure quilt from side to side and trim the 36" strips to that length and sew to top and bottom.
3. Layer quilt top, batting and backing; quilt as desired. Sew binding into long strip and attach to quilt.

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### Summer's Coming!

This month's calendar blocks offer all sorts of techniques. The first block is Arkansas Meadow Rose, a combination of applique and piecing. This historic block appeared in the Kansas City Star series of patterns that was a regular news paper feature from 1929 to 1961. I've included blocks to celebrate weddings (Diamond Ring, Lover's Knot, Steps to the Altar, and Reflections of Love). Any number of blocks can be used to celebrate Dad on his special day. My favorite blocks these days are BIG ones that can feature large scale prints. That's our project: Idaho Beauty.

I love that with just two large blocks of simple piecing, you can have a good sized table runner in no time.

The 20" block is composed of 4 stars that can be quick cut and strip pieced using today's easy methods. Each star has 4 flying geese units and my quick lesson this month is on how to get those two sizes of triangles to form a perfect unit.

If you are unsure of your 1/4" seam allowance, ask your local quilt shop for various tools and notions that can help you conquer this not-so-hard, but sometimes tricky sewing skill. There is nothing like accurate seams and really sharp points in all your star blocks and quilts!

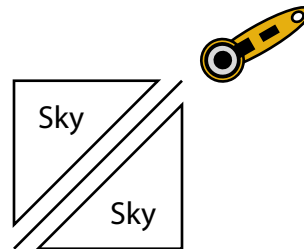
Thanks for staying with the Calendar Girls. At the end of this month we will be half through. You should have several projects so far and have learned new techniques and a few tips. Visit my web site for some quick lessons and free patterns. Hope your summer is filled with great quilts!

What's happening at my blog & web site?

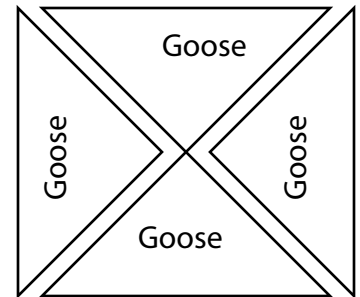
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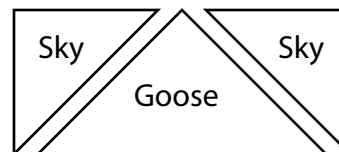
### Accurate Flying Geese Units



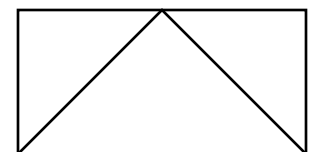
Step 1 – Cut triangles for the Sky. These are cut from squares which are 7/8" larger than the finished size of the unit. In our case, cut squares 3-3/8" x 3-3/8". Cut the square in half along ONE diagonal.



Step 2 – Cut triangles for the Goose. These are cut from squares which are 1-1/4" larger than the finished size of the unit. In our case, cut squares 6-1/4" x 6-1/4". Cut the square in half along BOTH diagonals.



Step 3 – Sew a sky triangle to each side of the Goose triangle as shown.



Flying Geese Unit  
3" x 5-1/2" unfinished  
2-1/2" x 5" finished

Ask your quilt shop for .....

- tools & gadgets to help you get an accurate 1/4" seam
- tools & gadgets for making Flying Geese units
- books featuring quilts using stars and flying geese units

Did you know?

- My calendar has a LOT of blocks that use the Flying Geese unit
- Your quilt shop offers the latest tools and books