

# Walk in the Park Quilt

### (Aqua colourway)

This gorgeous quilt would be ideal for a picnic in the park, basking in the sun under the bluest sky. It features a collection of charming picture motifs, including trees in full leaf, ornate gazebos and singing birds. The overall feel of the Sunday Brunch collection is restful but with flashes of fresh shades, with colours including teal, green, soft grey and blue, teamed with yellow, ginger, pink and sand. The quilt has mostly easy techniques but concentration is needed to achieve accurate results as there are many motifs and fabric pieces. This quilt has a bold aqua Chambray background, which is a lovely contrast to the prints. There is another quilt in this design with a putty white Chambray background, plus pillows in four different colourways – see tildasworld.com for the instructions.

Difficulty rating \*\*\*

### Materials

- Fabric 1: 5¼yds (4.8m) Chambray aqua (160032) (background)
- Fabric 2: about a 12in (30cm) square White Flower teal (100581)
- Fabric 3: <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (40cm) Mille lime (100582)
- Fabric 4: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>yd (25cm) Pernille teal (100583)
- Fabric 5: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Mia teal (100584)
- Fabric 6: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>yd (25cm) Sunday Brunch teal (100585)
- Fabric 7: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Sunday Brunch grey (100586)
- Fabric 8: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) Mia sour yellow (100587)
- Fabric 9: a fat eighth or <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>yd (25cm) Pernille yellow (100588)
- Fabric 10: about a 12in (30cm) square Mille grey (100589)
- Fabric 11: about a 12in (30cm) square White Flower sour yellow (100590)
- Fabric 12: about a 12in (30cm) square White Flower pink (100591)
- Fabric 13: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>yd (25cm) Mille ginger (100592)
- Fabric 14: ¼yd (25cm) Pernille pink (100593)
- Fabric 15: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) Mia pink (100594)
- Fabric 16: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Sunday Brunch ginger (100595)
- Fabric 17: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Sunday Brunch blue (100596)
- Fabric 18: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Mia blue (100597)
- Fabric 19: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Pernille sand (100598)
- Fabric 20: a fat eighth (*not* a long <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd) Mille sky (100599)
- Fabric 21: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) White Flower sand (100600)
- Fabric 22: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) (\* see Fabric Notes) Tipsy green (110114)
- Fabric 23: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) \* Tipsy teal (110115)
- Fabric 24: about a 12in (30cm) square Tipsy cream/blue (110116)
- Fabric 25: about a 12in (30cm) square Tipsy yellow (110117)
- Fabric 26: about a 6in (15cm) square Tipsy grey (110118)
- Fabric 27: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) \* Tipsy sour yellow (110119)
- Fabric 28: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) Tipsy ginger (110120)
- Fabric 29: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) Tipsy pink (110121)
- Fabric 30: about 12in x 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (30cm x 12cm) Tipsy cream/pink (110122)
- Fabric 31: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) Tipsy blue (110123)
- Fabric 32: about a 12in (30cm) square Tipsy sky (110124)
- Fabric 33: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (15cm) \* Tipsy sand (110125)

- Fabric 34: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>yd (50cm) Chambray moss (160034)
- Fabric 35: about a 6in (15cm) square Chambray ginger (160041)
- Wadding (batting): 68in x 91in (173cm x 231cm)
- Backing fabric: 5yds (4.6m) Sunday Brunch teal (100585)
- Binding fabric: <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>yd (60cm) Tipsy sour yellow (110119)
- Piecing and quilting threads
- Quilter's ruler, rotary cutter and mat

### **Fabric Notes**

Where a long eighth or long quarter of a yard is given in the Materials list you could use a fat eighth or a fat quarter instead (unless otherwise stated). A fat eighth is assumed to be approximately  $10\frac{1}{2}$  in x 18in (26.7cm x 45.7cm) and a fat quarter approximately 21 in x 18in (53.3cm x 45.7cm). \* If using a long  $\frac{1}{8}$ yd (15cm), ensure that the cut is *at least*  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in (12cm) deep.

### **Finished Size**

59<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in x 83in (151cm x 211cm)

### **General Notes**

- Fabric quantities are based on a usable width of 42in (107cm), unless otherwise stated.
- Measurements are in imperial inches with metric conversions in brackets use only *one* system throughout (preferably inches). Width measurements are generally given first.
- Before using your fabrics, press before cutting and trim as needed to square up the fabric pattern/weave, using a quilting ruler to cut the top raw edge at 90 degrees to the selvedges.
- Use <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) seams unless otherwise instructed.
- Read all the instructions through before you start.
- Always make one complete block as a test before going on to make the remaining blocks.

### **Quilt Layout**

1 The quilt is made up of twenty-six blocks, with six different picture motifs – Three Trees block, Gazebo block (in three different colourways), Garden Shed block (in two different colourways), Two Trees block, Grass block and Bird block. Two horizontal sashing pieces are added as fillers, with sashing used as a narrow border around the quilt. See **Fig A** for the fabrics used, **Fig B** for the quilt layout and **Fig C** for the block identifications.

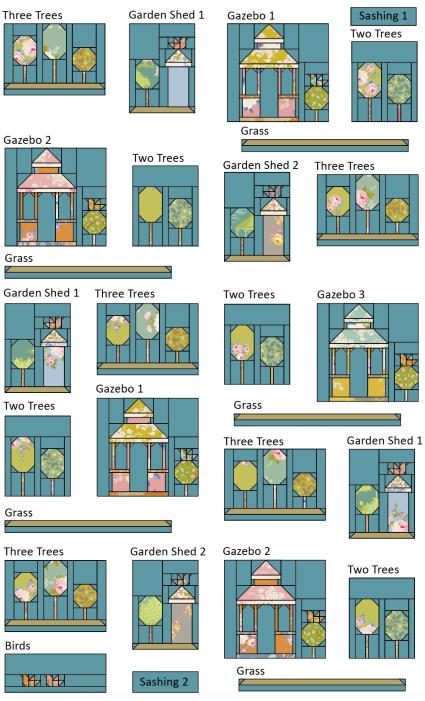
Fig A Fabric swatches (Walk in the Park Quilt – Aqua)

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Fig B Quilt layout (Walk in the Park Quilt – Aqua)

### Fig C The quilt blocks



# **Cutting Out**

2 Start by cutting the sashing pieces for the quilt from the background fabric (Fabric 1) (see **Fig D**). The Chambray fabric can be cut in any direction, so cut the strips across the width of the fabric for ease of cutting.

- For Sashing 1, cut one piece 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in x 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (29.2cm x 9cm).
- For Sashing 2, cut one piece 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in x 4in (29.2cm x 10.2cm).
- For the sashing strips for the side border, cut four strips 40<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in x 2in (102.2cm x 5.1cm). Using <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) seams, sew together into two pairs to make two strips 80in (203.2cm) long. Press seams open.
- For the sashing strips for the top/bottom border, cut four strips 30in x 2in (76.2cm x 5.1cm). Using <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) seams, sew together into two pairs to make two strips 59<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in (151cm) long. Press seams open.

#### **Fig D** Cut measurements for the sashing and border pieces Sizes include <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> in (6mm) seam allowances

Sashing 1 11½in x 3½in (29.2cm x 9cm) Cut 1

Sashing 2 11½in x 4in (29.2cm x 10.2cm) Cut 1 Side Borders 40¼in x 2in (102.2cm 5.1cm) Cut 4

Top and Bottom Borders 30in x 2in (76.2cm x 5.1cm) Cut 4

**3** Cut the fabrics for the blocks following the measurements given in the following diagrams. Note that areas shown in white are the aqua background.

- Follow **Fig E** for the Three Trees block.
- Follow **Fig F** for the Gazebo block.
- Follow **Fig G** for the Garden Shed block.
- Follow Fig H for the Two Trees block.
- Follow **Fig I** for the Grass block.
- Follow **Fig J** for the Bird block.

For the fabric positions in the blocks, use Fig K for the Three Trees block and the three different Gazebo blocks. Use Fig L for the two different Garden Shed blocks and the Two Trees, Grass and Bird blocks.

4 Cut the backing fabric across the width into two pieces. Using a  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seam, sew together along the long side and press the seam open. Trim to a piece about 68in x 91in (173cm x 231cm). This is about 4in (10.2cm) larger all round than the quilt top, to allow for quilting and finishing.

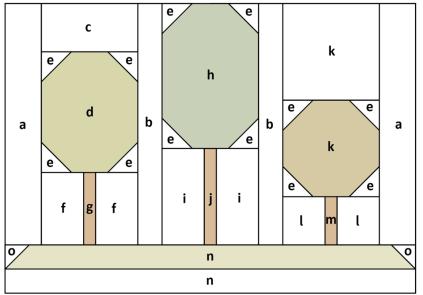
**5** Cut the binding fabric into eight  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in (6.4cm) x width of fabric strips. Sew the strips together end to end and press seams open. Press the binding in half along the length, wrong sides together.

**Fig E** Cut measurements for a Three Trees Block Sizes include ¼in (6mm) seam allowances

All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles

#### **Three Trees Block**



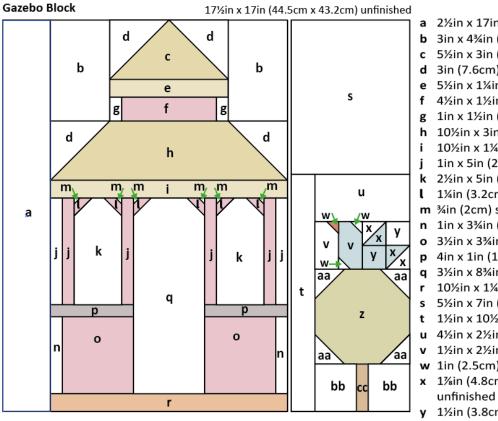




#### Fig F Cut measurements for a Gazebo Block

Sizes include <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) seam allowances

All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles

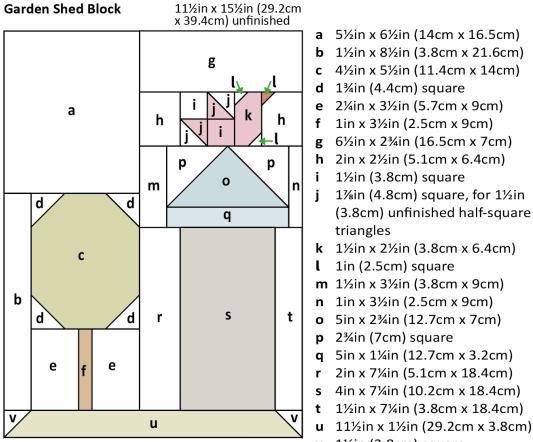




**bb** 2¼in x 2½in (5.7cm x 6.4cm) **cc** 1in x 2½in (2.5cm x 6.4cm)

#### Fig G Cut measurements for a Garden Shed Block

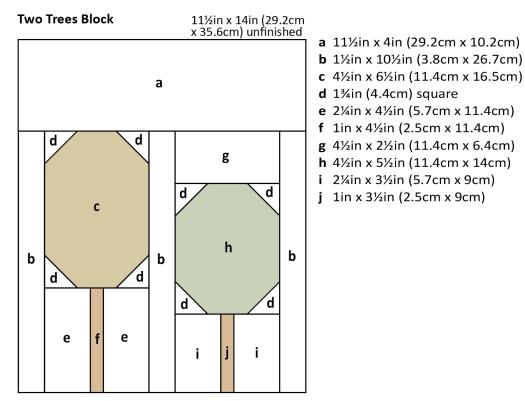
Sizes include ¼in (6mm) seam allowances. All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles



v 1½in (3.8cm) square

### Fig H Cut measurements for a Two Trees Block

Sizes include ¼in (6mm) seam allowances. All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles



#### Fig I Cut measurements for a Grass Block

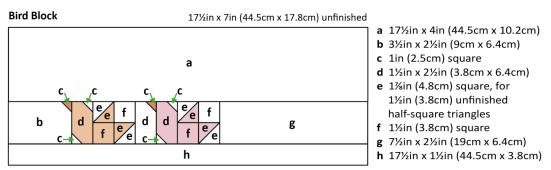
Sizes include <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) seam allowances. All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles **Grass Block** 28% in x 2% in (72.4cm x 6.4cm) unfinished

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a 28½in x 1½in (72.4cm x 3.8cm) b 1½in (3.8cm) square

#### Fig J Cut measurements for a Bird Block

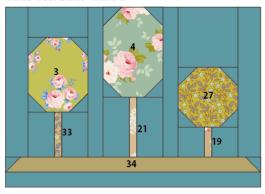
Sizes include ¼in (6mm) seam allowances. All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles

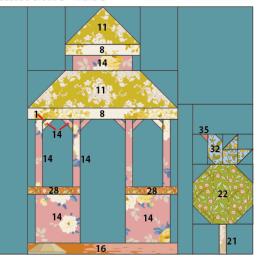


### Fig K Block colourways for the Three Trees and Gazebo Blocks

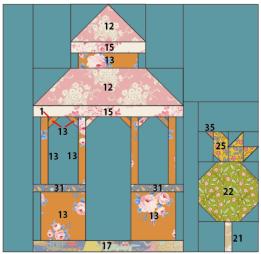
Bold numbers indicate fabrics to use (see Fig A). All background is Fabric 1.

Make the number of blocks indicated. Note the gazebo block is made in three different colourways Three Trees Block – make 5 Gazebo Block 1 – make 2







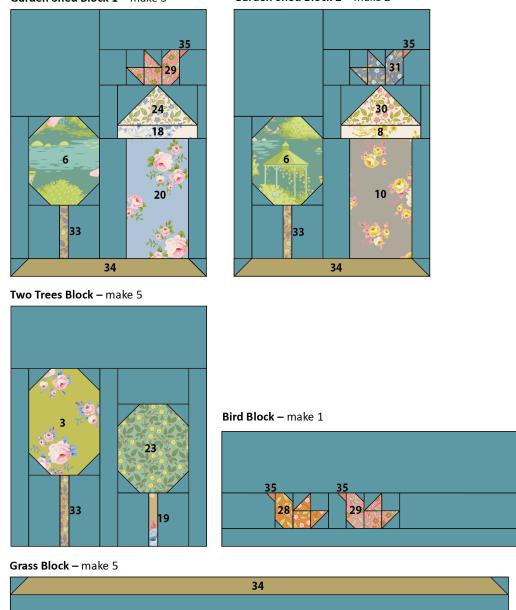




**Fig L** Block colourways for the Garden Shed, Two Trees, Bird and Grass Blocks Bold numbers indicate fabrics to use (see Fig A). All background is Fabric 1. Make the number of blocks indicated. Note the garden shed block is made in two different colourways

Garden Shed Block 1 – make 3

Garden Shed Block 2 – make 2



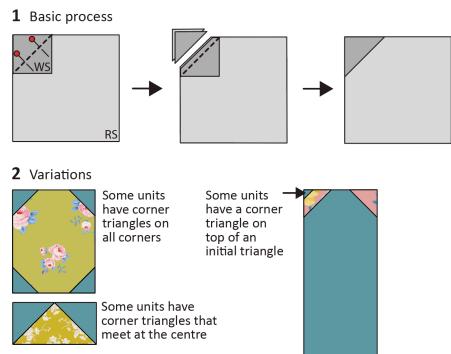
### **Making the Blocks**

**6** The blocks use two main techniques – corner triangle units and half-square triangle (HST) units. We will describe these techniques here, so refer back if needed when sewing the blocks.

7 *Making corner triangle units:* All of the blocks have areas where a triangle shape is needed to create more realistically shaped motifs and the basic process for creating these is shown in **Fig M 1**. Take the larger piece of fabric and place it right side (RS) up. On the smaller square, pencil mark the diagonal line on the wrong side. Pin the square right sides together with the larger fabric, aligning the edges as shown and with the diagonal line in the direction needed. Sew along the marked line. Trim off excess fabric <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in (6mm) outside the sewn line and press the triangle outwards. Check the unit is the size it is supposed to be (this will be the same size as the initial larger piece of fabric).

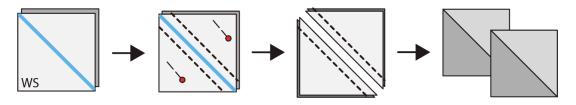
Fig M 2 indicates that units needing corner triangles can vary - some have triangles on each corner, some have triangles that meet in the centre and the gazebo block has a tiny triangle created on top of an initial triangle.

Fig M Making a corner triangle unit



**8** Making half-square triangle (HST) units: The small birds in the Gazebo, Garden Shed and Bird blocks use HSTs in their construction. The method described here makes two units at the same time. The process is shown in Fig N. Take two different squares and on the wrong side of the lighter square, pencil mark the diagonal line. Place the two squares right sides (RS) together and sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) away from the marked line on both sides, as shown. Cut the units apart along the marked line and press the units. The seam is normally pressed towards the darker fabric. Check each unit is the size it is meant to be – for this quilt the HSTs should be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in (3.8cm) square (unfinished).

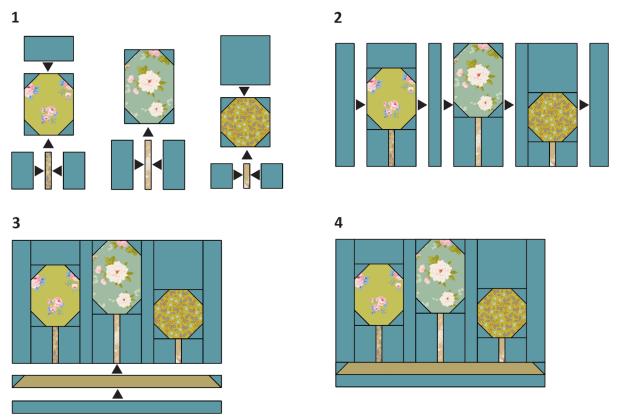
Fig N Making half-square triangle units



#### Making a Three Trees Block

**9** The stages of making a Three Trees block are shown in **Fig O**. Prepare all of the units needing corner triangles first, referring back to Step 7 if needed. Lay out all the pieces for a block in roughly the shape of the block and then begin sewing them together. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seams and press seams open or to one side. If a seam is only sewn for a short distance, reduce the stitch length on your machine, to better secure the seam. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in **Fig E**).

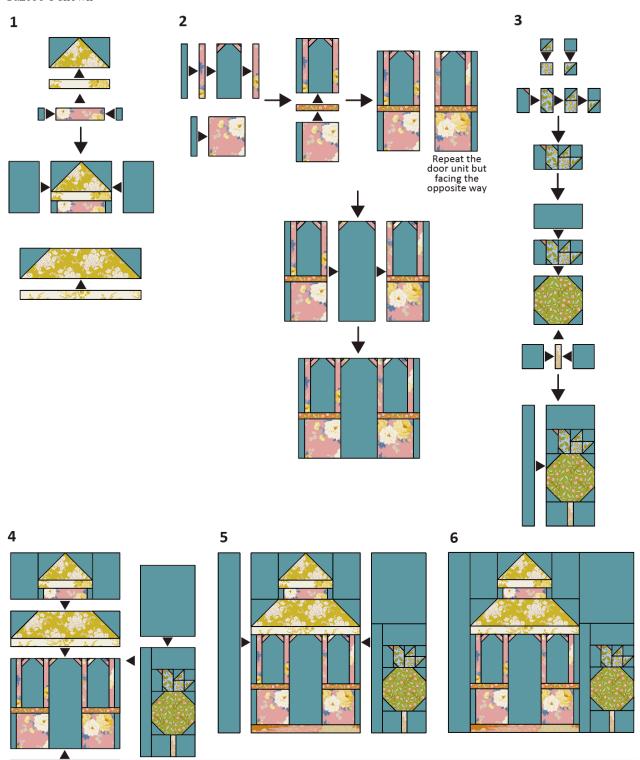
#### Fig O Making a Three Trees block



#### Making a Gazebo Block

10 The stages of making a Gazebo block are shown in Fig P. This block is the most complicated one, with lots of pieces, so take your time to sew accurately. Prepare all of the units needing corner triangles first. Lay out all the pieces in roughly the shape of the block and then begin sewing them together. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seams and press seams open or to one side. If a seam is only sewn for a short distance, reduce the stitch length on your machine. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in Fig F). Make the other Gazebo blocks in the same way, referring to Fig K for the colours.

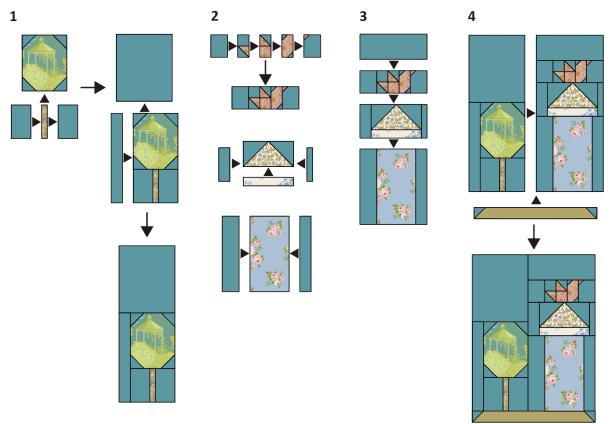
Fig P Making a Gazebo block Gazebo 1 shown



#### Making a Garden Shed Block

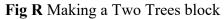
11 The stages of making a Garden Shed block are shown in **Fig Q**. Prepare all of the units needing corner triangles first. Lay out all the pieces in roughly the shape of the block and then begin sewing them together. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seams and press seams open or to one side. If a seam is only sewn for a short distance, reduce the stitch length on your machine. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in **Fig G**). Make the other Garden Shed block in the same way, referring to **Fig L** for the colours.

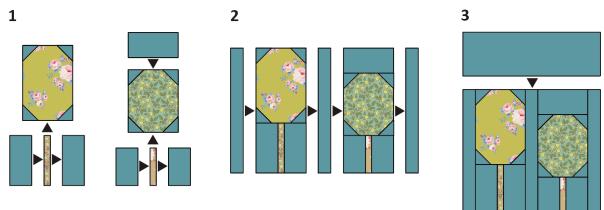
Fig Q Making a Garden Shed block Garden Shed 1 shown



#### Making a Two Trees Block

12 The stages of making a Two Trees block are shown in Fig R. Prepare all of the units needing corner triangles first. Lay out all the pieces in roughly the shape of the block and then begin sewing them together. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seams and press seams open or to one side. If a seam is only sewn for a short distance, reduce the stitch length on your machine. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in Fig H).

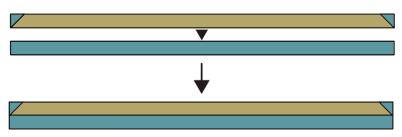




#### **Making a Grass Block**

13 A Grass block is easy and shown in **Fig S**. Prepare the corner triangles first. Lay out the two strips as shown and sew them together. Press the seam open. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in **Fig I**).

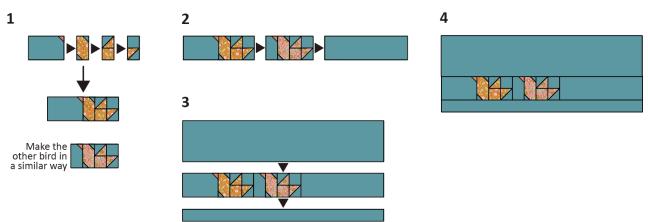
Fig S Making a Grass block



#### **Making a Bird Block**

14 The stages of making a Bird block are shown in Fig T. The birds are identical except made with different prints. Their assembly is similar to the bird in the Gazebo block. Prepare all of the units needing corner triangles first. Make the HST units. Lay out all the pieces in roughly the shape of the block and then begin sewing them together. Use  $\frac{1}{4}$ in (6mm) seams and press seams open or to one side. If a seam is only sewn for a short distance, reduce the stitch length on your machine. Once sewn, check the block is the size it is meant to be (given in Fig J).

#### Fig T Making a Bird block



#### Assembling the Quilt

15 When all of the blocks have been made, start assembling the quilt by sewing the blocks into small sections, as shown in **Fig U**. Press seams open or downwards. Generally, the quilt layout follows a vertical column format. To ensure that you are placing the blocks in the correct positions, refer also to **Fig C**, which identifies the blocks and their positions, showing the quilt layout in an expanded view.

16 Now sew the sub-sections together as shown in Fig V. You will see that the Grass blocks can be added at this stage. The larger sub-sections will now start to form two columns. Sew each column together, as in Fig W. Now sew the two columns together – there will be some seams to match up, so sew these neatly (Fig X). Check the quilt's size at this stage, which should be  $56\frac{1}{2}$  in x 80 in (143.5cm x 203.2cm). Now add the side border strips, pressing seams outwards. Finally, add the top and bottom borders and press. Your quilt top is now finished.

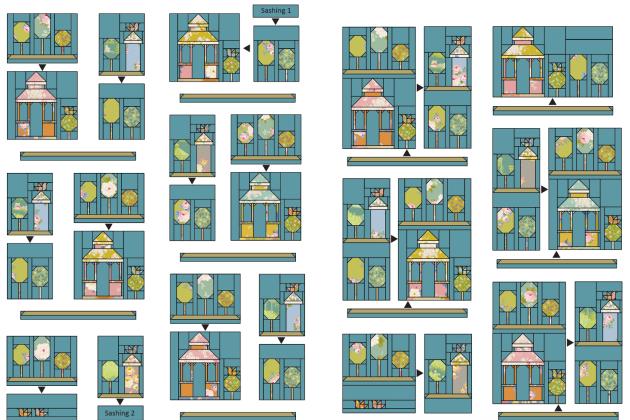
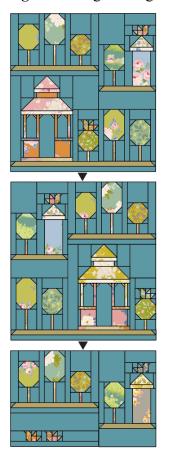
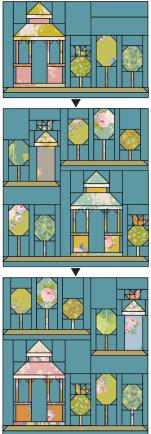


Fig U Assembling the blocks into sections

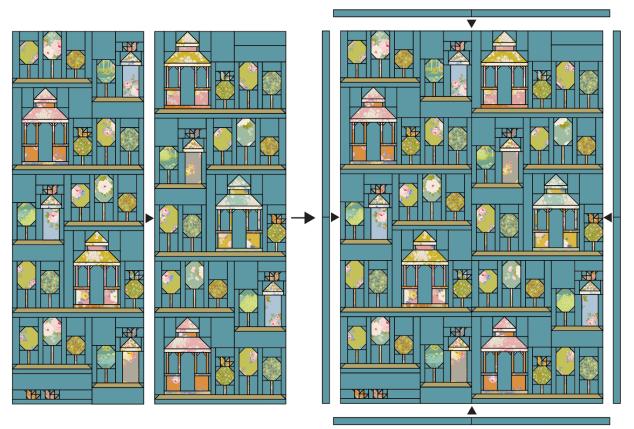
# Fig W Sewing the larger sections together into two columns





# Fig V Starting to sew sections together

### Fig X Finishing the assembly



# **Quilting and Finishing**

17 If you are quilting the quilt yourself you now need to make a quilt sandwich – you can do this in various ways, as follows.

- Use large stitches to tack a grid through the layers of the quilt in both directions, with lines about 4in (10cm) apart.
- Use pins or safety pins to fix the layers together.
- Use fabric glue, sprayed onto the wadding to fix the layers together.

If you are sending the quilt off to be commercially long-arm quilted you won't need to make a sandwich, as this is done when the quilt is mounted on the machine. When the layers of the quilt are secured you can quilt as desired.

18 Use the prepared double-fold binding strip to bind your quilt. Sew the binding to the quilt by pinning the raw edge of the folded binding against the raw edge of the quilt. Don't start at a corner. Using a  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seam, sew the binding in place, starting at least 6 in (15.2cm) away from the end of the binding. Sew to within a  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) of a corner and stop. Take the quilt off the machine and fold the binding upwards, creating a mitred corner. Hold this in place, fold the binding back down and pin it in place. Begin sewing the  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) seam again from the top of the folded binding to within  $\frac{1}{4}$  in (6mm) of the next corner and then repeat the folding process. Do this on all corners. Leave a 6 in (15.2cm) 'tail' of unsewn binding at the end.

**19** To join the two ends of the binding, open up the beginning and end of the binding tails, lay them flat and fold the ends back so the two ends touch. Mark these folds by creasing or with pins – this is where your seam needs to be. Open out the binding and sew the pieces

together at these creases. Trim off excess fabric and press the seam. Re-fold the binding and finish stitching it in place on the front of the quilt.

**20** With the quilt right side up, use a medium-hot iron to press the binding outwards all round. Now begin to turn the binding over to the back of the quilt, pinning it in place. Use matching sewing thread and tiny stitches to slipstitch the binding in place all round, creating neat mitres at each corner. Press the binding and your lovely quilt is finished.