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Finished size:  
48 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$ ",  
including binding.  
Finished block size:  
8" x 8"

## Beach Blanket quilt pattern

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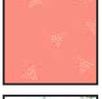
Careful color placement creates an Irish Chain effect on this comfy quilt. We chose kitschy novelty prints from Dear Stella's Jetsetter collection for each block's focus fabric, and provided two easy options for block construction.



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Materials and Cutting			Block Construction		
Fabric	Yardage	Cutting	Strip Sets	Units	Blocks
 Scallop Dot Stella-SRR512 Pine	1 1/2 yards	Cut: 14 strips, 2 1/2" x width of fabric (WOF) 6 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF, for binding.			
 Scallop Dot Stella-SRR512 Eggshell	3/4 yard	Cut: 9 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF			
 Pineapples Stella-867 Lemon	3/4 yard	Cut: 9 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 2 print/print: 2 print/pine: 3	print/eggshell: 18 print/print: 18 print/pine: 36	9
 Flamingoes Stella-865 Paradise	3/4 yard	Cut: 9 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 2 print/print: 2 print/pine: 3	print/eggshell: 18 print/print: 18 print/pine: 36	9
 Jetsetter Stella-864 Sky	3/4 yard	Cut: 9 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 2 print/print: 2 print/pine: 3	print/eggshell: 22 print/print: 22 print/pine: 44	11
 Triangle Dot Stella-SRR613 Coral	5/8 yard	Cut: 7 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 1 print/print: 2 print/pine: 2	print/eggshell: 16 print/print: 16 print/pine: 32	8
 Lounge Life Stella-868 White	1/2 yard	Cut: 5 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 1 print/print: 1 print/pine: 2	print/eggshell: 14 print/print: 14 print/pine: 28	7
 Island Hopping Stella-863 Multi	3/8 yard	Cut: 4 strips, 2 1/2" x WOF	print/eggshell: 1 print/print: 1 print/pine: 1	print/eggshell: 8 print/print: 8 print/pine: 16	4
	Backing	3 yards			
Other					
	Batting	57" x 73"			

Note: All seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise specified. Press seam allowances open unless otherwise indicated. If using directional fabrics, read "Going the right way" on page 3 before making the blocks.

## Make the Blocks

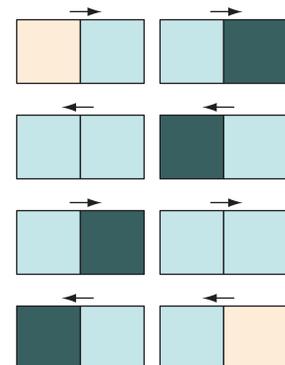
1 Strip sets cut into two-patch units make quick work of block construction in this Beach Blanket quilt. Each block requires two print/eggshell, two print/print, and four print/pine units. Refer to the Block Construction portion of the Materials and Cutting chart to determine the strip set fabric

combinations to sew and the number of units to cut.

To make a strip set, place two strips right sides together, and sew along one long edge. Press the seam toward the darker fabric, or to one side, then cut the number of 2 1/2"-wide units that are indicated in the chart.

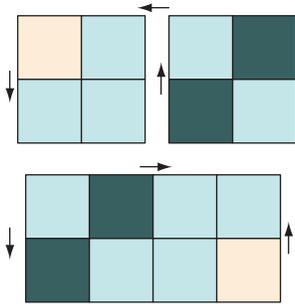


2 Arrange two print/eggshell, two print/print, and four print/pine units in four rows as shown, noting the direction of the seams.

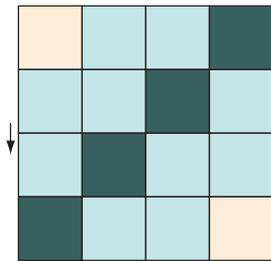


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3 Join the units in rows 1 and 2 and the units in rows 3 and 4 along adjacent edges to make four-patch units. Press the seams as indicated.



4 Join the four-patch units in each row along adjacent edges. Press the seams open. Matching seam lines, join the rows together to complete the block. Press the seam to one side. Make a total of 48 blocks.



Make 48.

## Assemble the quilt

1 Referring to the quilt photo for block orientation, arrange the blocks in eight rows of six blocks each. Join the blocks in each row together along adjacent edges. Press the seams in alternate directions from row to row. Join the rows together, and press the seams in one direction.

## Finishing

1 Remove the selvages from the backing fabric, then cut one 36" x WOF piece. Cut the piece into two 20" x 36" sections. Join the two sections together along one short edge, then join the

two sections to the remaining yardage along one long edge, using a 1/2" seam allowance.

2 Layer the quilt back, batting and quilt top. Quilt as desired. Stitch around the perimeter of the quilt, a scant 1/4" from the edge. Trim the excess fabric and batting. Use your favorite method to bind the quilt.

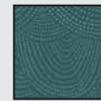
## Going the right way?

Directional prints may take a wrong turn in a strip set construction. We love a multi-directional look, but if you prefer your fabrics facing straight up, skip the strip sets altogether, and cut 2 1/2" squares instead of units. To determine how many squares of each fabric to cut, multiply the number of blocks x 10 for print, x 2 for eggshell, and x 4 for pine fabrics. One 2 1/2" width-of-fabric strip should yield sixteen 2 1/2" squares.

To make 4 blocks, cut:



4 x 10 = **40** squares,  
2 1/2" x 2 1/2"



4 x 2 = **8** squares  
2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

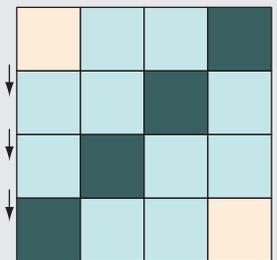
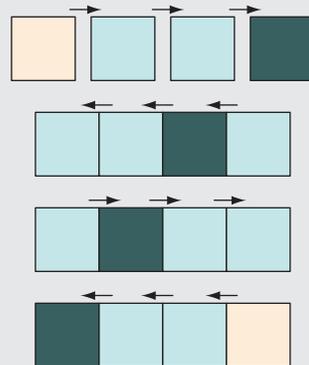


4 x 4 = **16** squares  
2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

## Need a bigger Beach Blanket?

You can easily add blocks to this design to make a larger Beach Blanket quilt. Use the information in the Block Construction of the Materials and Cutting chart to guesstimate how many additional strips you'd need. For example, to add another vertical row of 8 blocks, you'd need 1 eggshell, 2 pine, and 7 print strips. For a single block, you'd need two 2 1/2" eggshell squares, four 2 1/2" pine squares, and ten 2 1/2" print squares.

Refer to the quilt photo for block orientation, and arrange the squares in four rows of four squares each. Sew the squares in each row together along adjacent edges, and press the seams in alternate directions from row to row. Sew the rows together, matching seam lines, to complete each block.



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