

Free Sew Stitchy Squares Quilt Pattern



Pattern Description:

The Sew Stitchy Squares Quilt is a beginner-friendly project made with a jelly roll and charm pack. Featuring framed squares, the design comes together quickly and is perfect for a weekend finish.

With 36 blocks arranged 6 by 6, the quilt measures 51 inches square, ideal for practicing piecing skills or creating a simple, stylish handmade quilt.

Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Finished Quilt Size:** 51" square
- **Number of Blocks:** 36 (6 x 6 layout)
- **Finished Block Size:** 9" square
- **Charm Squares:** 36 (5" each, one per block)
- **Jelly Roll Strips:** (1 per block, 2.5" x WOF)
 - Cross-cut per block: (2) 2.5" x 5", (2) 2.5" x 9"
- **Additional:** Backing and batting

Instructions for Making the Sew Stitchy Squares Quilt Pattern:

Preparing the Block Components

To prepare the necessary pieces for the 36 blocks, the jelly roll strips must be cross-cut according to the dimensions needed to frame the 5-inch charm square.

For each individual block, the required cuts are derived from one jelly roll strip (2.5" x WOF) and include:

- **Two** strips measuring 2.5" x 5".
- **Two** strips measuring 2.5" x 9".

While the pattern calls specifically for charm packs and jelly rolls, the design is also highly suitable for utilizing **scraps** if the maker does not have pre-cuts available, though this would involve additional cutting effort.

Assembling the Individual Quilt Blocks

The instructions detail the components needed to form the 36 blocks, each finishing at 9 inches square.

Each block uses the following pieces: one 5" charm square, two 2.5" x 5" strips, and two 2.5" x 9" strips.

The resulting block design is a framed square. Although the exact sewing sequence is not explicitly outlined in the tutorial text, the design requires the maker to sew the jelly roll strips around the central charm square, ensuring the seam allowance is consistent.

Once all 36 blocks are constructed, the maker must proceed to the arrangement and assembly of the quilt top.

Quilt Top Layout and Row Construction

After the individual 9-inch blocks are completed, the layout process begins. The maker should determine the final arrangement of the blocks, which can be done on a design wall (if one is available) or, alternatively, by arranging the blocks on the floor.

The Sew Stitchy Squares Quilt is organized into **6 rows**. Since the finished quilt requires 36 blocks and is constructed 6 blocks across by 6 blocks down, the maker must sew the 6 blocks together to form each of the 6 necessary rows.

Pressing for Alignment:

A crucial step for ensuring well-aligned seams when joining the finished rows is the pressing technique.

Before sewing the 6 rows together, the blocks within the rows should be pressed to alternating sides.

This practice helps adjacent seams nest neatly when the rows are joined, contributing to a flatter and more professional finished appearance.

Finishing the Quilt

Once the six finished rows are joined together to complete the 51-inch square quilt top, the final stages of quilt construction begin.

- **Sandwiching:** The finished quilt top must be layered with the backing fabric and the batting material. The maker should create this quilt "sandwich" using the backing and batting.
- **Basting:** The three layers (quilt top, batting, and backing) must then be secured, or **basted**, together.
- **Quilting:** The finished sandwich is then quilted as desired.

The completed quilt is a **51-inch square** finished project.