

Missouri Compromise

63" x 78" (finished quilt)

As I travel and give trunk shows and lectures, this quilt is one that really grabs the attention of the audience. This quilt uses the famous Option 1, Option 3 flying geese and Option 4 half-square triangles. The block has 121 pieces! But, don't be afraid, you will not have to compromise any accuracy or speed.

Due to the ease of the Square in a Square® system, only 11 basic squares are required for each block. During class, you will learn the Square in a Square® technique that eliminates the triangle hassle normally associated with cutting and sewing of multiple pieced blocks. You will also enjoy learning professional pressing and rotary cutting techniques and will be amazed at the speed and accuracy of this method.

Basic Supply List: thread, rotary cutter & mat, basic sewing supplies, stiletto, Square in a Square® Original Ruler (or new Mini Ruler R-5), Abby's Schoolhouse pattern book.

Fabric Amounts- (this is the amounts needed if you want to make the complete quilt)

6 ½ yd. Muslin or light background

16 fat quarters of red – brown – blue

(Notice: Label and bag all fabric for class. Strips are cut selvedge to selvedge)

Cutting (for one block)- this is the amount that will be required for class
Each block can be size and color complicated. I think it is best to cut and sew each block individually. The quilt shown has three blocks across and four down for a total of 12 - 15¹/₂" cut blocks. Just repeat in the color combination you like. These cutting steps coordinate with the sewing steps. There are no cutting instructions for Step 4 or Step 8. In class, we will work on one block.

Step 1 - Option 3

Cut 2 – 4 3/8" center square brown or dark

Cut 1 – 2 1/2" strip background or light

Step 2 - Option 3

Cut 2 – 2 5/8" center square light

Cut 1 – 1 3/4" strip blue

Step 3 - Option 4

Cut 6 – 3" center square light

Cut 4 – 1 3/4" strip blue

Step 5 - Option 3

Cut 2 – 2 5/8" center square brown

Cut 1 – 1 3/4" strip blue

Step 6 - Option 4

Cut 2 – 3" center square brown

Cut 1 – 1 3/4" strip blue

Step 7 - Option 1

Cut 1 – 4" center square blue

Cut 1 – 2 1/4" strip brown

Solid Block Pieces

Cut 4 – 4 1/8" light solid squares

Cut 12 – 1 3/4" light solid squares