

# THE SEASONS OF MICHIGAN

74" x 80"

Designed and  
Pieced by

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Bits 'n Pieces

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## MATERIALS:

[1] AMISH Panel

5/8 yard each Winter Sports, Summer, Birds & Blooms and Fall for Border 1

1 yard Blender Fiery for Borders 2 and 4

1-1/4 yards Counties Blue for Border 5

[24] AMISH Collectible Quilt Store Blocks

5 yards fabric of choice for backing

3/4 yard Radiance for Binding

Pieced Blocks (Border 3):

[1] Fat quarter each of Blender Blue Jeans, Indigo, Cyan and Sky (Cyan is a 108" fabric, so you may choose to use a substitute.)

[10] Fat quarters including:

Blender Ivory, Dark Yellow, [2] shades of Yellow, Gray, Blender Moss, [4] shades of Orange

5/8 yard Solid Cream, Star block background

**BEFORE SEWING, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS. ALL SEAMS ARE 1/4" UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. LABELS THE CUTS AS YOU GO. WOF = WIDTH OF FABRIC; LOF = LENGTH OF FABRIC; RST = RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER; LOF = LENGTH OF FABRIC**

## CUTTING:

Cutting instructions for various blocks are listed in Block Assembly instructions.

### From Blender Fiery Fabric:

Cut [6] — 1-3/4" × WOF strips, sew together end to end for Border 2

Subut [2] — 1-3/4" × 49-1/2" strip

Subut [2] — 1-3/4" × 45-1/2" strip

Cut [8] — 2" × WOF strips, sew together end to end for Border 4

Subut [2] — 2" × 70" strip

Subut [2] — 2" × 66-1/2" strip

### From Counties Blue Fabric:

Cut [8] — 4-1/2" × WOF strips, sew together end to end for Border 5

Subut [2] — 4-1/2" × 73" strip

Subut [2] — 14-1/2" × 74-1/2" strip

### From each of the Winter, Summer, Birds & Blooms and Fall Fabric:

**NOTE:** These fabrics are directional. Cutting ensures that the print is correct.)

Cut [1] — 21" × 4-1/2" strip cut from the LOF for side Border 1

Cut [1] — 21-3/4" × 4-1/2" strip cut from the WOF for top and bottom Border 1

### From AMISH Panel:

Trim [1] — 35" × 41-1/2" cutting through the green outer border

## GENERAL SEWING:

1. Place a small square, RST, on top of the corner of a larger square or rectangle.
2. Draw a diagonal line on the top square.
3. Stitch on the drawn line. Trim the excess seam to 1/4". Press



## BLOCK ASSEMBLY:

### Apple Blossom Block

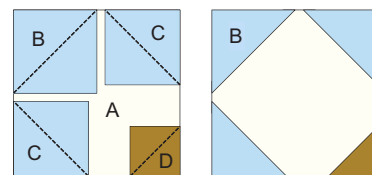
Cut [12] — Blender Ivory 5" squares (A)

Cut [12] — Blender Cyan 2-1/2" squares (B)

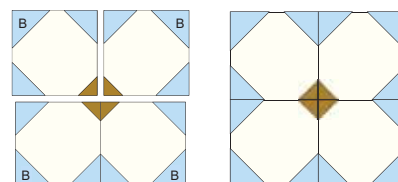
Cut [24] — Blender Cyan 2-1/4" squares (C)

Cut [12] — Dark Yellow 1-1/2" squares (D)

1. Sew diagonal corners onto A.
2. Sew [1] B, [2] Cs, and [1] D onto each A. Trim and press. Make [12].



3. Sew [2] together into rows, match the D. Press. Make [6].
4. Sew [2] from Step 3 together into an Apple Blossom Block. Press. Make [3]. 9-1/2" blocks





## Pumpkin Block

Cut [6] - Orange Variety 1-7/8" × 8-1/2" rectangles (A)

Cut [12] - Orange Variety 1-3/4" × 8-1/2" rectangles (B)

Cut [3] - Orange Variety 1-3/4" × 7-3/4" rectangle (C)

Stem: Cut [3] - Blender Moss 1-3/4" × 2-1/4" rectangle (D)

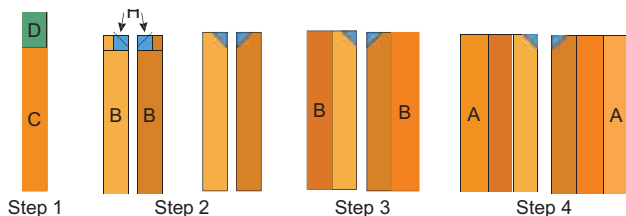
Background: Cut [6] - Blender Blue Jeans 1-1/2" × 4-3/8" rectangles (E)

Cut [6] - Blender Blue Jeans 3" squares (F)

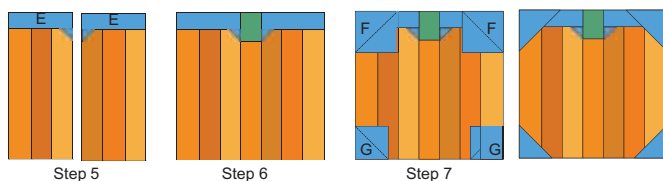
Cut [6] - Blender Blue Jeans 2-1/2" squares (G)

Cut [6] - Blender Blue Jeans 1-1/4" squares (H)

1. Sew D to C. Press. Make [3].
2. Sew diagonal corners H onto B. Trim and Press. Make [3] of each direction.
3. Sew Step 2 to B. Press. Make [3] of each direction.
4. Sew Step 3 to A. Press. Make [3] of each direction.



5. Sew E in place. Press. Make [6].
6. Sew Step 1 in place. Press. Make [3].
7. Sew diagonal corners F and G onto Step 6. Trim and press. Make [3]. 9-1/2" blocks



## Snowflake Block

Cut [12] - Gray 1-1/4" × 4-5/8" (A)

Cut [24] - Gray 2" × 3-1/8" (B)

Cut [12] - Gray 1-1/4" × 3-1/8" (C)

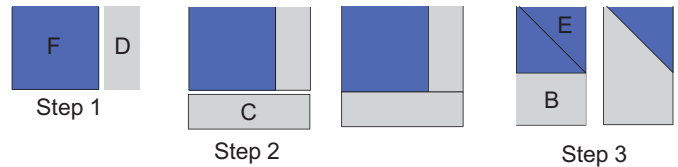
Cut [12] - Gray 1-1/4" × 2-3/8" (D)

Cut [60] - Blender Indigo 2" squares (E)

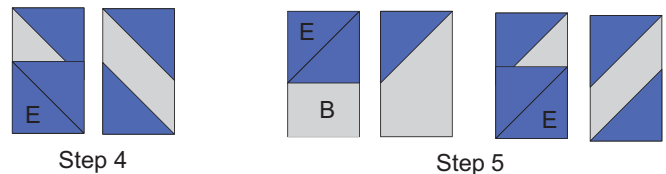
Cut [12] - Blender Indigo 2-3/8" squares (F)

Cut [3] - Blender Indigo 1-1/4" squares (G)

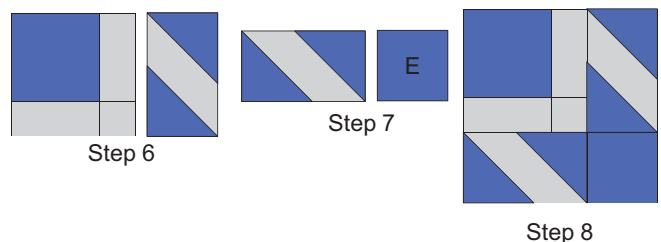
1. Sew D to F. Make [12]. Press.
2. Sew Step 1 to C. Note direction. Make [12]. Press.
3. Sew diagonal corners E onto B. Note direction. Trim and press. Make [12].



4. Sew diagonal corners E onto the bottom of Step 3. Note direction. Trim and press. Make [12].
5. Repeat Steps 3 and 4, sewing in opposite directions.



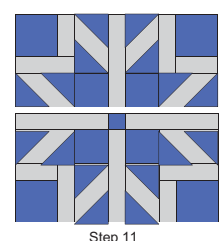
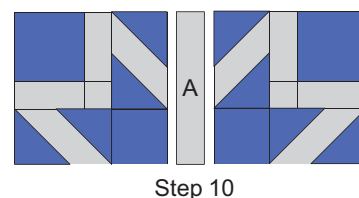
6. Sew Step 2 to Step 4. Note direction. Press. Make [12].
7. Sew Step 5 to E. Note direction. Press. Make [12].
8. Sew Step 6 to Step 7. Press. Make [12].



9. Sew A to G. Press. Make [3].



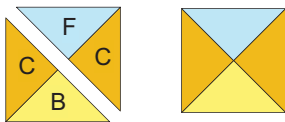
10. Sew 2 Step 8 to A. Note direction. Press. Make [6].



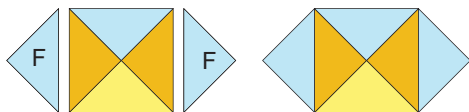
## Sun Block

- Cut [3] - Light Yellow 5" squares (A)  
 Cut [3] - Light Yellow 3-1/2" square, cut diagonally twice, yielding [12] triangles (B)  
 Cut [6] - Yellow 3-1/2" square, cut diagonally twice, yielding [24] triangles (C)  
 Cut [12] - Yellow 2" squares, cut diagonally once, yielding [24] triangles (D)  
 Cut [6] - Blender Sky 4-1/4" squares, cut diagonally once, yielding [12] triangles (E)  
 Cut [9] - Blender Sky 3-1/2" squares, cut diagonally twice, yielding [36] triangles (F)  
 Cut [6] - Blender Sky 2" squares, cut diagonally once, yielding [12] triangles (G)

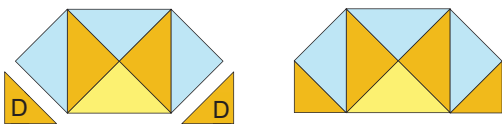
1. Sew pieced triangles from F and C. Press. Make [12]. Sew pieced triangles from C and B. Press. Make [12]. Sew pieced triangles into squares. Press. Make [12].



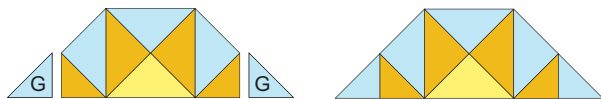
2. Sew F onto Step 1. Note placement. Press. Make [12].



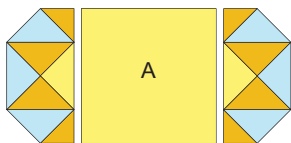
3. Sew D onto Step 2. Press. Make [12].



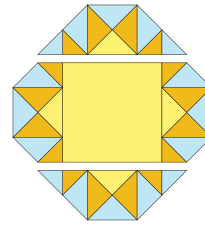
4. Sew G onto Step 3. Press. Make [6].



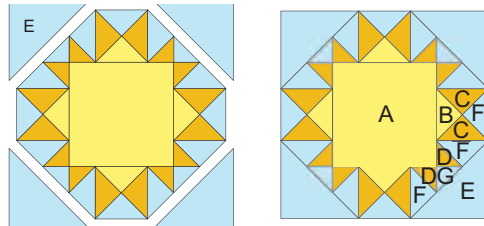
5. Sew 2 Step 3 onto A. Press. Make [3].



6. Sew 2 Step 4 onto Step 5. Press. Make [3].



7. Center and sew E on the four corners. Press. Make [3].



## Star Block

Cut For EACH star block, from a variety of colored scraps cut:

- [1] - 2" square (A)  
 [2] - 2-3/8" squares, cut diagonally once (B)

For ALL the background cut from Cream:

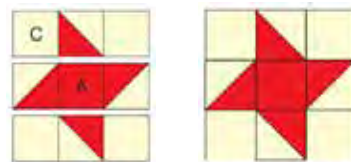
- [96] - 2" squares (C)  
 [48] - 2-3/8" squares, cut diagonally once (D)

1. Sew B and D together to make squares. For EACH star block, make [4]. Press. Trim to 2" if needed.



2. Layout and sew Step 1, A and 4 - Cs into [3] rows. Press.

3. Sew Step 2 together to complete a star block. Press. Make [24]. 5" blocks



## BORDER ASSEMBLY:

### Border 3:

Cut [12] - Cream 1-1/4" x 9-1/2" rectangles (A), for Top and Bottom Sashings

Cut [4] - Cream 1-1/2" x 9-1/2" rectangles (B), for Side Sashings

Trim [24] - 5" AMISH Collectable Quilt Blocks

1. **Top and Bottom Border 3** Sections: Sew stars to Quilt Squares. Press.
2. Stitch A between each star block and on the ends.



Top Border 3

Bottom Border 3

3. Left and Right Border 3 Sections: Sew stars to Quilt Squares. Press.
4. Sew star blocks together. Stitch B on the top and bottom.



Left Border 3

Right Border 3

### Border 1:

1. Following diagram below, sew side Seasons borders together. Press.
2. Sew to the sides of the panel. Press.
3. Sew top and bottom Seasons borders together. Press.
4. Sew to the top and bottom of the panel. Press.



### Border 2:

1. Measure length of quilt top center. Cut the Blender Fiery 1-3/4" strips to measurement.
2. Sew border to left and right sides.

3. Measure the width of quilt top center. Cut the Blender Fiery 1-3/4" strips to measurement.
2. Sew border to top and bottom of quilt top.

### Border 3:

1. Layout and sew an Apple Blossom block, left side Border 3 and a Snowflake block together. Sew to the left side of quilt top
2. Repeat with a Sun block, right side Border 3 section and a Pumpkin block. Sew to the right side of quilt top.
3. Layout and sew [2] Apple Blossom blocks, top Border 3 and [2] Sun blocks together. Sew to the top of quilt top.
4. Repeat with [2] Snowflake Blocks, bottom Border 3 section and [2] Pumpkin blocks. Sew to the bottom of quilt top.

### Border 4:

1. Measure length of quilt top center. Cut the Blender Fiery 2" strips to measurement.
2. Sew border to left and right sides.
3. Measure the width of quilt top center. Cut the Blender Fiery 2" strips to measurement.
4. Sew border to top and bottom of quilt top.

### Border 5:

1. Measure length of quilt top center. Cut the Counties Blue 4-1/2" strips to measurement. Cut 2[2] strips this length and sew to sides.
2. Measure quilt width and cut [2] strips this size. Sew to top and bottom of quilt top.



### FINISHING:

1. Layer top with batting and backing.
2. Quilt as desired.
3. Bind.
4. Label and Enjoy!

# JULIA HALE



Julia learned to sew at an early age alongside her mother and her vintage Singer sewing machine. She taught Julia this invaluable skill, which led them to make clothes and curtains before they caught the Bicentennial “quilting bug” in the late 1970s. In the early 1980s, they opened their quilt shop, Bits ‘n Pieces, eventually becoming the oldest Bernina dealer in Michigan. Infatuated with creating quilts, Julia began writing and selling commercial quilt patterns in 1997, and over 40 years later, quilting still brings her daily creativity and joy.