** Peppermint Pinwheels **

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(Finished size: 17" x 17" Finished Block: 4" x 4")



Materials:

1/8 yard of 2 different red prints

1/8 yard of a light or shirting print

1/8 yard of another light print for setting block and triangles

1/8 yard of a red and light print for border

5/8 yard of a print for the backing

1/8 yard red print for binding

Cutting:

From one of the red prints, cut

8 squares, 2 7/8" x 2 7/8"

8 squares, 17/8" x 17/8"

From the light print for blocks, cut

8 squares, 27/8" x 27/8"

8 squares, 17/8" x 17/8"

From the light print for setting square & $\Delta s,$ cut

1 square, 4 1/2" x 4 1/2"

1 square, 7" $\,x$ 7 ", cut twice on the diagonal

2 squares, 3 3/4" x 3 3/4", cut once on diagonal

From the red print for inner border, cut

2 strips, 1 1/4" x 42"

From the red and white border fabric, cut

2 strips, 2 1/2" x 42"

From the red binding fabric, cut

2 strips, 1 1/4" x 42"

Make the Pinwheel Blocks

1. For each block, make 4 half-square triangle units from 2 light print 2 7/8" squares and 2 red print 2 7/8" squares. (Use your favorite method, or - draw a diagonal line across the wrong side of the light square. Placing right sides together, layer light and dark squares. Sew 1/4" away from the line on both sides. Cut on the drawn line and press open.)



Make 4.

2. Sew 2 half-square triangle units together to make a pair.



Make 2

3. Sew the units together as shown. Trim blocks to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $4 \frac{1}{2}$ ".



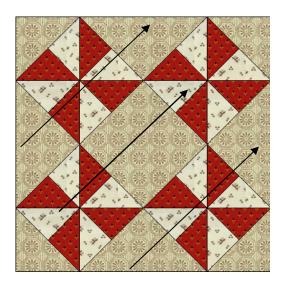
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4. To make the smaller Pinwheel blocks for the corners, make 12 half-square triangle units from the light print 17/8" squares and the red print 17/8" squares, using your own or the method outlined in step 1 above. The blocks should measure 21/2" x 21/2".



Make 4 blocks.

5. Lay out the pinwheel blocks together with the plain 4 1/2" setting square and the setting triangles in 3 diagonal rows. Sew the rows together. Add the corner triangles.



6. Measure your quilt top, cut the 1 1/4" red inner border strips and sew to the sides of the quilt top, pressing the seam allowances toward the border. Measure and sew the remaining 1 1/4" red strips to the top and bottom of the quilt and press.



7. Measure your top again, cut four 2 1/2" red and white print strips and sew two of them to the sides of the quilt top, pressing the seam allowances toward the border. Sew two 2 1/2" Pinwheel blocks to each end of the remaining two 2 1/2" border strips and press toward the strips. Sew these to the top and bottom of the quilt and press toward the border.



Finish the Quilt

1. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing, and baste or pin the layers together. Quilt as you wish.

Attach the binding to the quilt, using your favorite method. I like to cut 1 1/4" strips and use a single-fold binding for my small quilts.