Sixteen in the Spotlight

Top finishes at 92"x108.5"

To make the quilt pictured:



You need:

• reds: 2 1/3 yards (for 16 patches, corners of frames, 4 patches and sashing)

- whites/cream: 5 1/2 yards (for 16 patches, cream strips, lights in the 4 patches, sashing, first border)
- bold colors such as blue, red, green: 30 2"x26" strips
- browns: 2/3 yard of various scraps
- lighter browns/tans: 2/3 yard of various scraps
- 3/8 yard each of 4 colors bold colors for border pieces
- ½-5/8 yard of fabric for the binding. (I used scrappy 2.5" strips.)

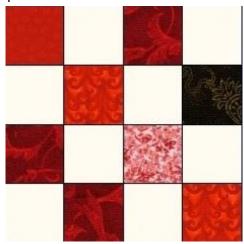
Cut:

- From various reds for 16 patches and corners of frames
 - 600 2x2" squares
 - 24 2"x3.5" rectangles (for sashing)
- From cream/whites:
 - 480 2"x2" squares
 - 480 2"x3.5" strips
 - 48 2"x6.5" (for sashing)
- From browns:
 - 120 2"x3.5" strips
- From lighter browns/tans:
 - 120 2"x3.5" strips
- From bold colors such as blue, red, green
 30 matching sets of 4 2"x6.5" strips

Construct Blocks: This quilt consists of only one block plus sashing.

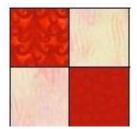
Make all the segments:

16 patches: from red/white 2" squares.



Make 30.

4 patches: From red and cream or white:



Make 120.

Sets of cream 2"x3.5" strips for center of blocks: They look like this: (You could use a 3.5" square here, but I used various creams as I was trying to use up my 2" strips.)



Make 240.

Sets of tan/brown 2"x3.5" strips:



Make 120.

Then, I built my blocks from the inside out:

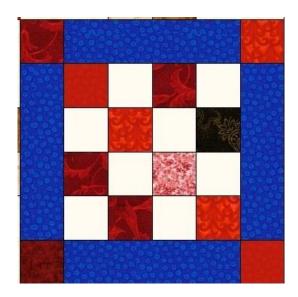
1. Put frame around the 16 patch:

Sew a 2"x6.5" bold colored strip to the right side and one to the left.

Sew together one red square to a 2"x6.5" bold colored strip and then another 2.5" red square. Like this:

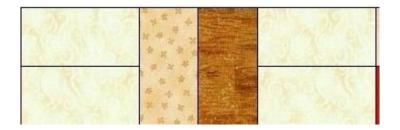


Attach to the top. Do the same on the bottom. It will now look like this:

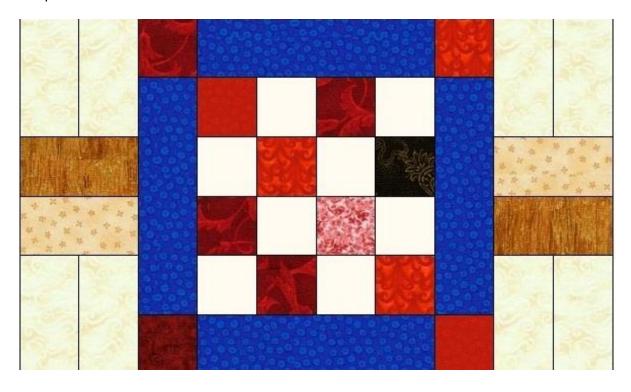


At this point it should be 9.5"x 9.5".

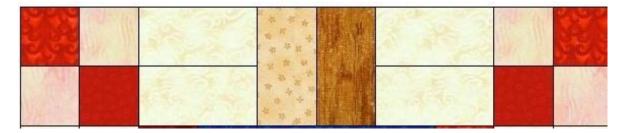
2. Sew the 3 strip sets together – cream, brown/tan, cream



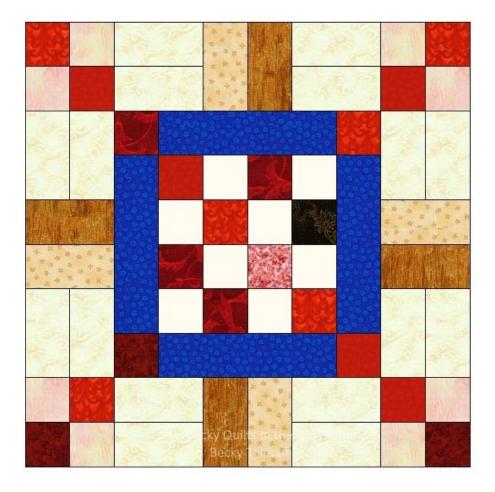
3. Put the strips on the sides. It will now look like this:



5. Sew together the next set of blocks so that they look like this:



Sew to top and bottom of block so that the finished block looks like this:



It should measure 15.5"x15.6".

Make sashing pieces:

Sew a 2"x6.5" cream strip to a 2"x3.5" red strip, and then to another 2"x6.5" cream strip.



They will be 2"x15.5" long at this point:

How to make this quilt:

1. Lay out completed blocks according to diagram. Make sure the frames are laid out so that the colors are pleasing to you.

2. Sew together in rows.

You will sew together, block, sashing , block, sashing strip, block, etc. until the layout is 5 blocks wide by 6 blocks tall.



3. Add borders:

• Inner border of cream:

Cut 2 – 2"x98" pieces for sides. (You will need to piece this.)

Cut $2 - 2'' \times 84.5''$ pieces for top and bottom. (You will need to piece.)

Attach, putting on side pieces first.

• Outer border:

Cut from four colors:

Cut 2 - 4.5"x101" (Piece it.)

Cut 2 - 4.5" x 92.5" (Piece it.)

- 4. Press well.
- 5. Sandwich, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
- 6. Quilt as desired.
- 7. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations!

Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!

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