Focal Point
Quilt finishes at 44”x44”

To make the quilt pictured: (the queen sized essential numbers are at the end)

You need:

- About 1 ¼ yards of light pink for background.
- About 1 yard dark pink for chain and border
- ½ yard of light green for background
- ½ yard of green for border and various contrasts
- Various pink and green small pieces for paper pieced block in the center
- About 1/3 - ½ yard of fabric for the binding. (I used scrappy 2.5” strips.)
Note: This quilt is made up of 3 blocks: Each block will finish at 12.5” before sewn together into the top.

- The center paper pieced block
- 2 different chain blocks.

**Cut:**

**For one all pink block: (For baby quilt - need 4)**

From the hot pink:
- 20 - 1 ½” squares (80)

From the various light pinks:
- 32 - 1 ½” squares (128)
- 4 - 2 ½” x 8 ¼” (16)
- 4 – 2 ½”x3 ½” (16)

From bright green:
- 1 – 2 ¼” square (4)

**For one pink with green contrast block: (For baby quilt – need 4)**

From the hot pink:
- 20 - 1 ½” squares – so you need (80)

From the various light pinks:
- 18 - 1 ½” squares (72)
- 3 - 2 ⅛” x 8 ¾” (12)
- 3 – 2 ½”x3 ¾” (12)

From various light greens surrounding paper pieced block:
- 6 - 1 ½” squares (24)
- 1 - 2 ⅛” x 8 ½” (4)
- 1 – 2 ½”x3 ⅜” (4)

**For sashings and cornerstones:**
- 8 – 1 ⅛” x 12 ½” strips of various light pinks (32)
- 4 – 1 ½” squares dark pink (4)
- 4 – 1 ½” x 12 ⅜” strips of various light greens. (4)
For borders:
From green:
- 2 – 1 ½”x38 ½” strips
- 2 - 1 ½”x 40 ½” strips

From hot pink:
- 2 – 2 ½”x 40 ½”
- 2 – 2 ½”x 44 ½”

For your paper pieced block:
Print out pattern as given and piece. It is at the end of this pattern. Make sure your background in the paper pieced block is the similar or matching the other green in your pieced blocks. (Of course, you could use ANY 12”-finished in the quilt size-block in this spot in place of this paper pieced block.) If the paper pieced pattern as given doesn’t work for you, go to the files section and download the PDF of ONLY the paper pieced pattern “Paper pieced Focal Point” and try it.

Construct blocks:

The chain pink block:

1. Construct your 9 patches and 4 patches using your hot pink and light pink squares. Like this:

2. Put together your blocks:
   - Step 1 - Sew 2 patches together with a 2 ½” x 3 ½” rectangle like this: (2 times)
   - Step 2 – Sew 2 ½”x3 ½” rectangles to green 2 ½” square:
   - Step 3 – Sew these strips together so that the block looks like this:
Step 4 – Add 2 1/2” x 8 1/2” strips to each side:

Step 5 – Sew 2 4 patches to a 2 1/2” x 8 1/2” rectangle like this: Make 2.

Step 6 – Sew these strips to the top and bottom of block. It’s done!

The chain pink and green block:

Follow the pictures:

Step 1.

Make 2. and Make 2.
Step 2.

Make 2 and Make 2

Step 3.

Sew together as pictured:

Step 4.

Make 4.
How to put together this quilt:

1. Construct your blocks as described above.
2. To make the center, using the diagram below, lay out the blocks and sew together in rows putting in sashing as pictured.

3. Add borders:
   - Sew your shorter green strips to the sides. Press.
   - Sew the longer ones to the top and bottom. Press.
   - Sew your shorter hot pink strips to the sides. Press.
   - Add the longer strips to the top and bottom.
5. Press well.
6. Sandwich, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
7. Quilt as desired.

Congratulations!

Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!

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To make the queen size layout (92”x92”) as pictured below:
You will need to make 12 blocks that look like this:

16 blocks that look like this:

And

12 blocks that look like this:
Plus 9 paper pieced focal blocks
Paper pieced layout:

Focal point paper pieced center block: