It’s a Parade

62½” x 78½”

To make the quilt pictured:

This quilt is made up of one 14” block and it looks like this:
You need:

- \(\frac{3}{4}\) yard of novelty fabric to cut 12 – 8 \(\frac{1}{2}\)” squares
- \(\frac{1}{2}\) yard of green
- 1 1/8 yard of royal blue
- 7/8 yard of brown
- 2\(\frac{1}{4}\) yards of light blue
- 1 1/8 yards of various blues and or novelty fabric for cutting 60, 4\(\frac{1}{2}\)” squares for border
- About \(\frac{1}{2}\) yard of fabric for the binding.

Cut:

For the main block:

I made 12 blocks – I made half of them with brown as the inner skinny border and half with green and then I used brown as the second border for half of them instead of the green as shown from novelty fabric:

For each block:

For 6 of them:

From novelty fabric:

- 1 – 8.5” square

From brown for inner border:

- 2 – 1”x8.5”
- 2 – 1”x 9.5”

From green for second border:
• 2 – 1.5”x9.5”
• 2 – 1.5”x 11.5”
From blue for outer border:
• 2 – 2”x 11.5”
• 2 – 2”x 14.5”

For the other 6 of them:
From novelty fabric:
• 1 – 8.5” square
From green for inner border:
• 2 – 1”x8.5”
• 2 – 1”x 9.5”
From brown for second border:
• 2 – 1.5”x9.5”
• 2 – 1.5”x 11.5”
From blue for outer border:
• 2 – 2”x 11.5”
• 2 – 2”x 14.5”

For sashings for entire quilt:
From very light blue:
• 8 – 2½” x 14½”
• 3 – 2½” x 46½” (piece as needed)

Borders will be dealt with under “How to put together this quilt”

Construct blocks:

The main block:
To your 8½” novelty square, add ½” x 8½” strips to the sides:

Then add the ½” x 9.5” strip to the top and bottom like this:

Then add the green 1.5” x 9.5” strips to the sides

and then 1.5” x 11.5” strips to the top and bottom:

Then sew the 2”x11.5” blue strips to the sides like this:

and then add the top and bottom 2”x14.5” strips to the top and bottom:

Make 12 of these 14.5” blocks. Make 6 from each coloring as shown/described above.
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.
   
   First sew the rows together and then sew the rows together. The diagram shows cornerstones, but there shouldn’t be any blocks there – alternate the coloring of the inner borders for variety.

Then add a row of sashing between each row – using your long strips – with no cornerstones.

The overall picture once the borders have been added:
3. **Add borders:** Cut and/or piece as necessary to get the length needed

   A. First border – light blue:
      - Cut 2½” x 62½”. Add to sides.
      - Cut 2½” x 50½”. Add to top and bottom.

   B. Second border – brown:
      - Cut 1 ½” x 66½”. Add to sides
      - Cut 1 ½” x 52½”. Add to top and bottom.

   C. Third border – pieced ‘snowballed’ border –
      - Cut 4 – 4 ½” square from light blue. These are for the corner blocks.
      - Cut 60 – 4½” squares from various blues and novelty fabrics that go with the theme. Cut 120 2.5” light blue squares
• “Snowball the corners using 2.5” squares from light blue. To make a block that looks like this:

• Sew 17 of these blocks in one row and attach to one side as shown above. Repeat for second side.
• Sew 13 in a row as shown above – and sew that strip to the top after adding the light 4.5” squares as corner blocks. Attach to the center of the quilt. Repeat for the bottom.

D. Fourth border – light blue:
• Cut 1 ½”x 76½”. Add to sides
• Cut 1 ½”x 62½”. Add to top and bottom.

4. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
5. **Quilt** as desired. I did loops all over.

Congratulations! Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!

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