Hawaiian Dreams

98”x98”

To make the quilt pictured:

This quilt is made up of one main block – it looks like this and measures 16.5” before being sewn into the quilt. The sashings and cornerstones are shown later.
You need:

- 16 – 10½” squares of fussy cut Hawaiian themed prints plus 9 – 6” fussy cut squares of Hawaiian prints
- 4 yards of light blue for background
- 1 yard of medium blues for middle of sashing strips
- 3/8 yards of 8 different bold solids for the border and half square triangles (HST) for the main blocks
- 2½ yards of leftover blues/Hawaiian prints for the piano key border
- ½ yard of blue for the binding. I use 2.5” strips and fold double.

Cut:

For the main blocks:

- From the Hawaiian prints: (for entire quilt)
  Cut 16 – 10.5” squares
- From the bold solids: I used red, orange, bright yellow, bright blue, royal blue, green, purple and hot pink and made 2 blocks using each of these colors as the border:
  **For each set of 2 blocks, you need to cut:**
  4 – 1.5”x10.5”
  4 – 1.5”x12.5”
- From the light blue background fabric:
  8 – 2.5” squares
  Then you need to make 24 HST using light blue/bold such as red for each block. Each color – 48 HST of light blue/bold color to make the frame. Use your favorite method.

This is how I made my HST and tend to do them often.
Print out the size I want to make and print out the piece of paper from here
These were for 2” finished HST Units – they will be 2.5” as a simple HST but a 2” finished piece once it is sewn into the top

Cut pieces of fabric in the colors I want which are slightly bigger than the paper size I want to use.
Place right sides together of the fabric, place a piece of paper on top and sew on lines as indicated. Here I’m showing the back side. I use a small stitch. Very small.

Take to my cutting mat and cut apart on the lines.
Take off the paper. Press. Press half of them towards the darker color and half towards the light blue. You now have HST. They are fast and you do not need to trim them to the right size. Make 3 sheets of paper with each color set – you need to do this 8 times to get the HST you need for the whole quilt. Light blue/bright blue, light blue/red, light blue/orange, light blue/purple, light blue, bright yellow, etc.

For sashings:
- From light blue: 48 – 2.5”x 16.5”
- From a medium blue – needs to contrast with the light blue: 24 – 2.5”x 16.5”

For cornerstone blocks:
- From Hawaiian prints: 9 – fussy cut 6.5” squares
- From light blue: 36 – 2.5” squares to snowball the corners

For light blue border nr. 1:
• From light blue:
  2 – 2.5”x 82.5” - piece as necessary to get the length needed
  2 – 2.5”x 86.5” - piece as necessary to get the length needed

For the piano key border:
• From Hawaiian and blues:
  4 - 6.5” squares
  172 - 2.5”x6.5” rectangles

**How to make the blocks:**

**How make the main block:**

![Image of a quilt block](image)

Add bright color 1.5”x10.5” strips to the sides of the big Hawaiian print square:
Add the bright color 1.5”x 12.5” strips to the top and bottom of the Hawaiian print square

It should now measure 12.5”x12.5”

Make 2 rows of HST that looks like this:

Add to the block:

Make 2 sets that look like this: Use your 2.5” light blue squares you cut to add to the ends of the HST strips

Now add your final strip of HST and corner light blue 2.5” square like this:
Attach with ⅛” seam allowance. Make two with each bold border/HST.

They should now measure 16.5”x16.5”.

**How to make the sashing blocks:**

Sew together your previously cut out light blue strip to the medium blue strip and then a third light blue strips – all 2.5”x 16.5” long – as pictured. Press.

Make 24.

They should now measure 6.5”x 16.5”
How to make the cornerstone blocks:

Take your 6.5” fussy cut square and “snowball” the corners using your light blue 2.5” squares.

If you do not know how to do this, please look up my free pattern Star-Crossed where I show a lot of pictures on how to make the star points.


I have shown how to do this with Snowballs ‘n Scraps pattern as well. Here is the summary of it. The only difference is I used a small square for the corners:

• Take your 6.5” off white square  (Yours will be a Hawaiian print! Using light blue corners!)

• and place one of the squares in the corner, right sides together. Sew across diagonally on broken line indicated:

Do this on all four corners:
• Trim off on solid line indicated – ¼” to the outside of the stitching:

• Press the colorful pieces outward so that it now looks like this:

Make 9 different cornerstone blocks.
They should now measure 6.5”x6.5”.
How to put together this quilt:

1. Using this diagram, place your blocks in rows.
   Mix up the colors as it pleases you.

2. Once you have them laid out so that it is pleasing to you, **sew the blocks together in rows** adding in your sashing strips in between and sew those rows together.

3. **Sew an alternating** row of sashing/cornerstones/sashing/cornerstones, as pictured.

   Do this until your entire quilt top is put together.

4. Add borders:
   - First border – light blue
     Add your previously cut strips to the sides.
2 – 2.5” x 82.5” - piece as necessary to get the length needed
Add your previously cut strips to the top and bottom.
2 – 2.5” x 86.5” - piece as necessary to get the length needed
- Second border: piano key border:
Sew 43 of your 2.5” x 6.5” rectangles that you have cut from your Hawaiian prints and blues together to make a long border that will be 86.5” long. Do this 2x.

Attach to the sides.

Take your remaining 86 rectangles and make two more, but this time add your 6.5” squares to the corners to make corner blocks. Add to the center.

Entire layout:
5. Press well.
6. Sandwich, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
7. Quilt as desired. I used a sort of curls/swirl - picture below

Congratulations!
Your quilt is finished!

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Some pictures: