Simple Shadowed Basic Blocks
49.5 x 68.5”
To make the quilt pictured:

You need:

- 1 5/8 yards light gray
- 1 3/8 yards dark gray
- 7/8 yard black
- ½ yard light blue
- 1 yard darker blue
- ½ yard of geometrics – or enough to cut up the pieces as shown
- ½ yard of binding fabric – I used solid black

The quilt is made up of two blocks which finish at 8” and look like this:
**Cut:**

For both blocks, you will need “shadow” sections. Make them like this:
Cut off a strip of light gray 2.5” x width of fabric (WOF) and a strip of black 4.5” x WOF like this: Sew together:

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Your little pieces will look like this: You will need 24.

Repeat only with a black piece that is 6.5” wide x WOF

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Cut off 24 segments. They look like this:

For block 1: **Shadowed Rail Fence** (for all 12 blocks)

From geometrics:
• Cut 12 – 2.5”x 6.5” strips
From darker blue:
  • Cut 24 – 2.5” x 6.5” strips
For the shadow part use the strip pieces you already made as shown above

**For block 2: Shadowed 9 Patch** (for all 12 blocks)

From light blue:
  • Cut 60 – 2.5” squares
From geometrics:
  • Cut 48 – 2.5” squares
For the shadow part use the strip pieces you already made as shown above

**For sashings:**
From light gray –
Cut 18 – 2.5” x 6.5” rectangles
Cut 5 – 2.5” x 37” strips

**Borders will be discussed later under “How to Make this Quilt”**

**Construct Blocks:**
**Block 1: Shadowed Rail Fence**

Create the rail fence unit by sewing your 2 solid blues to your geometric like this:

Now add the shadows like this:
Using your strip pieced units made above add the smaller one to the side like this:
Now add the longer strip pieced unit to the bottom so that the final piece looks like this:

It will now measure 8.5” x 8.5”. Make 12.

**Block 2: Shadowed 9 Patch**

Using your light blue squares and your geometric squares already cut, make a 9 patch like this:

First sew in rows of three like this:

Now add the shadow as with the above block like this:

and then your final shadow piece:

To make your finished block:

It will now measure 8.5” x 8.5”. Make 12.
How to make this quilt:

1. Sew the rows together as shown.
   First take blocks and sew a 2.5”x6.5” light gray sashing in between each block as shown:

   ![Row of blocks with gray sashing]

   Then sew a strip of sashing on to the row of blocks:
   2.5”x 37” (cut)

   Ignore those lines – this is one solid strip of fabric

   Then make the second row. The blocks are in a different placement:

   ![Second row of blocks]

   Now join them. Continue until the center is made like this:
Repeat until the center is finished as shown above.

2. **Make borders**: (piece as necessary to get the length needed)
   A. First border – gray
      • Cut 2 – 2”x56”. Add to sides
      • Cut 2 – 2” x 40”. Add to top and bottom.
   B. Second border – darker blue
      • Cut 2 – 1.5” x 59”. Add to sides
      • Cut 2 – 1.5” x 42”. Add to top and bottom.
   C. Third border – darker gray
      • Cut 2 – 4.5” x 61”. Add to sides
      • Cut 2 – 4.5” x 50”. Add to top and bottom.

The final layout looks like this:

3. **Press well.**
4. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer
5. **Quilt** as desired. I did loops!

It’s that easy!!!! Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!

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