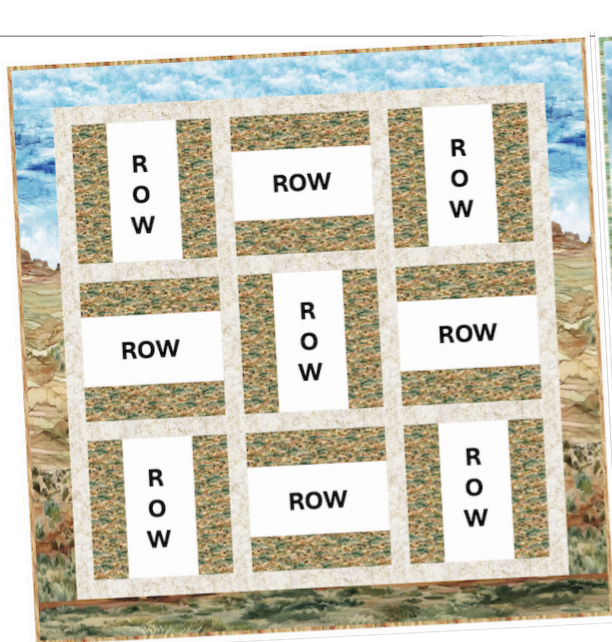
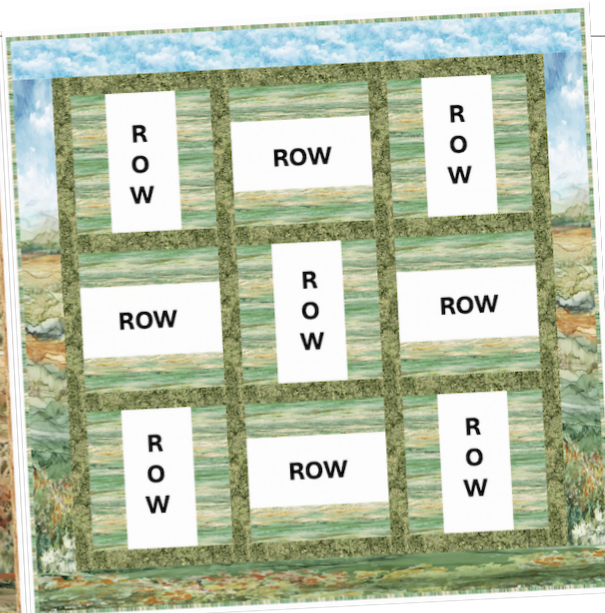


## THE GREAT OUTDOORS



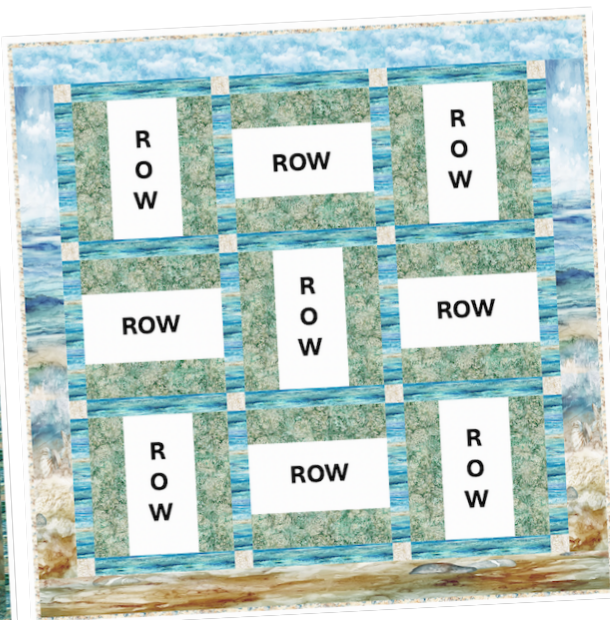
Desert



Meadow



Mountain



Ocean

Finished Size: 75" x 75"

## Row X Row - The Great Outdoors

I hope you enjoy creating this project, using whatever fabrics and color combinations bring you joy! This pattern is for the quilt setting instructions. Northcott has created four different colorways (Mountain, Desert, Meadow, and Ocean) for this event. Below, you will find fabric requirements for each of these variations. The rows you collect can be set into this quilt either vertically or horizontally.

### Fabric Requirements

Depending on where you live in the country, you may decide to make your quilt in a way that represents your geographic region. To make that a bit easier, I've provided the fabric requirements for each of the four colorways, along with the SKUs, and quantities to make ordering the fabric you need easier.

#### Desert

SKU	Color	Where Used	How Much
DP28455-44	Blue Sky	Outer Border	3/4 Yard
DP28448-37	Panel / Running Yardage	Outer Border	1/2 Yard
DP28449-37	Desert Grasses	Row Borders / Outer Border	2 Yards
DP23887-11	Sand	Sashing	1-1/4 Yards
DP28450-37	Oranges / Yellows/ Greens	Binding	2/3 Yard
Your Choice	Your Choice	Backing	5 Yards
Batting	Natural		83 x 83

#### Meadow

SKU	Color	Where Used	How Much
DP28455-44	Blue Sky	Outer Border	3/4 Yard
DP28445-74	Panel / Running Yardage	Outer Border	1/2 Yard
DP28446-74	Meadow Grasses and Flowers	Outer Border	3/4 Yard
DP28447-74	Greens / Tans	Row Borders / Binding	1-3/4 Yards
DP23887-74	Olive Greens	Sashing	1-1/4 Yards
Your Choice	Your Choice	Backing	5 Yards
Batting	Natural		83 x 83

## Mountain

SKU	Color	Where Used	How Much
DP28455-44	Blue Sky	Outer Border	3/4 Yard
DP28453-64	Panel / Running Yardage	Outer Border	1/2 Yard
DP28454-64	Trees	Row Borders / Outer Border	2 Yards
DP23887-34	Rust and Tan	Sashing Cornerstones	1/4 Yard
DP23887-78	Dark Greens	Sashing	1 Yard
DP28450-64	Blues / Greens / Browns	Binding	2/3 Yard
Your Choice	Your Choice	Backing	5 Yards
Batting	Natural		83 x 83

## Ocean

SKU	Color	Where Used	How Much
DP28455-44	Blue Sky	Outer Border	3/4 Yard
DP28451-44	Panel / Running Yardage	Outer Border	1/2 Yard
DP23887-72	Greens / Tans	Row Borders / Binding	2 Yards
DP23887-11	Sand	Sashing Cornerstones	1/4 yard
DP28447-44	Blues / Greens / Gold	Sashing	1 Yard
DP28452-44	Shells on Sand	Outer Border	3/4 yard
Your Choice	Your Choice	Backing	5 Yards
Batting	Natural		83 x 83

## Good To Know

**Read** - all the way through the instructions very carefully, skipping steps may cause you problems at future stages in your project.

**Choosing fabrics** - I use 100% cotton fabrics for this pattern, pre-wash and then press (I love to use [Best Press](#)) all fabrics before I work with them. Doing so makes the fabrics so much easier to work with and my cutting more accurate.

- **Fabric washing tip:** I use a long basting stitch on my machine to fold over and stitch the raw / cut edges on my fabrics before I wash them in the machine. This helps to nearly eliminate raveling and it's easy to remove the basting after the fabrics are washed and dried.
- **Pressing after washing is also very important** - I always use a light spray of Best Press to restore a little of the body and make the fabrics easier to handle before I cut into them.
- **If I am at all worried about fabric bleeding** - I also use [Color Catcher](#) sheets in the wash (or wash fabrics with white vinegar) before using in a finished project. They are available in the laundry section of most any grocery store.
- **Some colors** (like red, navy blue or black) are more prone to bleeding and I want to know that - and eliminate the problem, before my project is complete. Wash them until there is no further sign of bleeding - your fabrics could need multiple washes to eliminate the excess dye.

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**Sewing** - Use an accurate 1/4” seam (unless otherwise specified). A 1/4” foot for your machine is a great investment.

**Pressing** - Press seams at each step before moving on to the next step. Normally I press seams to the darker fabric but sometimes it's important to press a seam in a specific direction. If that's the case - I will let you know at that step.

**Thread** - use a good quality thread (I like 100% 40wt or 50wt cotton) for both piecing and quilting in most projects.

**Needle** - The beginning of any project is a great time to change the needle in your sewing machine.

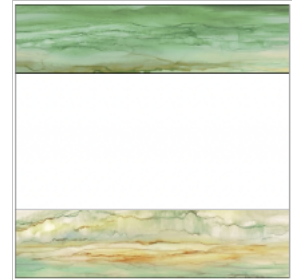
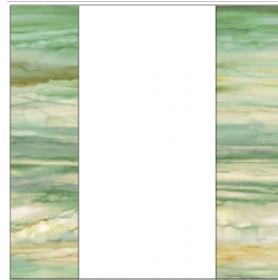
**Clean the lint and fibers out of your machine.** Remove the throat plate and the bobbin case and use a tiny brush or a pipe cleaner to get all the remnants of past projects out of the way before you start this new project. Never used compressed air to blow out the lint and fibers - it will just push them further up into your machine where you can't easily get them out. Your machine will run more smoothly and you'll spend less time trouble shooting problems.



**Fusible Applique:** I ALWAYS place a teflon sheet or piece of parchment on my ironing surface - and another between my iron and the fabrics I am fusing. This keeps the fusible glue away from the surface of my iron (and the ironing surface). I can still see through them to confirm that my placement is correct.

## Cutting Instructions

**Directional Rows:** This pattern is designed in such a way that you can set your rows either vertically or horizontally so they “read” correctly in the finished quilt.



**The fabrics are also directional.** You will want the fabrics to appear in a normal orientation. That means you will need to cut the (right / left) side panels for the vertical rows across the design of the fabric. The horizontal rows will have the row side panels (top and bottom) cut “with” the direction of the fabric design.

Fabric	How Many / What Size / Where Used
Outer Border - Sky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cut [3]</b> 5-1/2 inch x 25-1/2 strips (Outer Top Border).</li> <li>• <b>Cut [2]</b> 13-1/4 inch x 5-1/2 inch strips (Outer Side Borders / Top)</li> </ul>
Outer Border - Ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cut [3]</b> 5-1/2 inch x 25-1/2 strips (Outer Bottom Border).</li> <li>• <b>Cut [2]</b> 13-1/4 inch x 5-1/2 inch strips (Outer Side Borders / Bottom)</li> </ul>
Outer Border - Sides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cut [2]</b> 5-1/2 inches x WOF strips.</li> <li>• <b>Subcut</b> to 5-1/2 inches x 38-1/2 inches (Outer Side Borders / Middle)</li> </ul>
Row Borders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vertical:</b> Cut [8] 18-1/2 inches x 5 inches.</li> <li>• <b>Horizontal:</b> Cut [10] 5 Inches x 18-1/2 inches.</li> <li>• <b>Note:</b> If your rows are all horizontal (or all vertical), cut your row borders so that the directional lines of the fabric are horizontal to the top and bottom of the completed quilt.</li> </ul>
Sashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vertical:</b> Cut [12] 3-1/2 inch x 18-1/2 inch strips</li> <li>• <b>Horizontal:</b> Cut [12] 3-1/2 inch x 18-1/2 inch strips</li> <li>• <b>Cornerstones:</b> Cut [16] 3-inch square cornerstones.</li> <li>• <b>Note:</b> Mountain and Ocean colorways use a contrasting cornerstone.</li> </ul>
Binding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cut [9] strips</b> 2-1/2 inches x WOF.</li> <li>• <b>Join those strips</b> end to end using a diagonal seam. Press.</li> </ul>

## Block Assembly

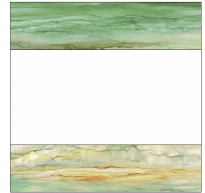
### 1. Vertical Rows:

- Arrange** and sew a 5-inch x 18-1/2 inch row border strip to each side of your completed row. Press.
- The finished blocks** should measure 18-1/2 inches square.



### 2. Horizontal Rows:

- Arrange** and sew an 18-1/2 inch x 5-inch row border strip to the top and bottom of your completed row. Press.
- The finished blocks** should measure 18-1/2 inches square.



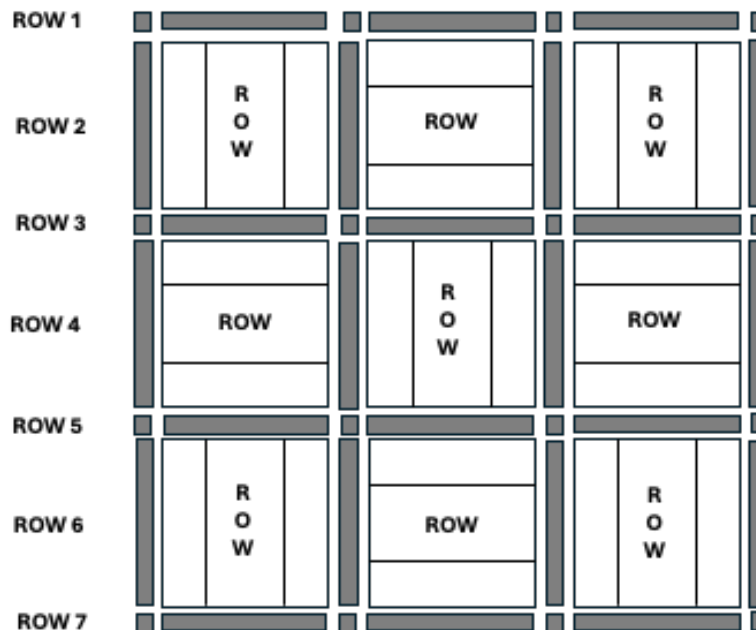
## Quilt Assembly:

### 1. Arrange and sew the blocks and sashing strips into rows:

- Rows 1, 3, 5, and 7:** Cornerstone / Sashing Strip / Cornerstone / Sashing Strip / Cornerstone / Sashing Strip / Cornerstone
- Rows 2 and 6:** Sashing strip / Vertical Row Block / Sashing Strip / Horizontal Row Block / Sashing Strip / Vertical Row Block / Sashing Strip
- Row 4:** Sashing Strip / Horizontal Block Row / Sashing Strip / Vertical Block Row / Sashing Strip / Horizontal Block Row / Sashing Strip

### 2. Arrange and sew the rows together in order (1 - 7). Press.

- The completed quilt center** should measure 64 inches square.



## Borders:

### 1. Border Assembly (border strips will need to be pieced):

#### a. Outer Border (Top):

- **Arrange and sew** the [3] 5-1/2 inch x 21-78" (Sky) strips together end to end. Press. The border strip should measure 5-1/2 inches x 64 inches.
- **Arrange and sew** the 5-1/2 inch x 64-inch (Sky) border strip to the top of the assembled quilt top.

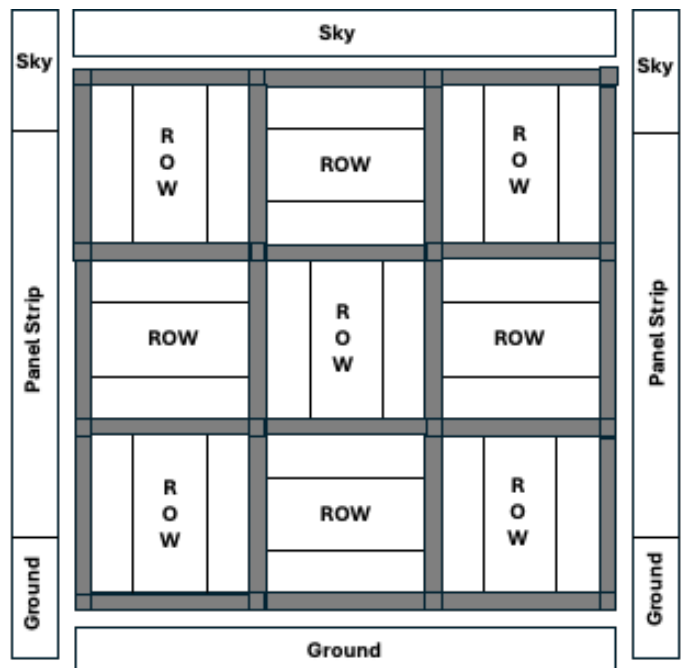
#### b. Outer Border (Bottom):

- **Arrange and sew** the [3] 5-1/2 inch x 21-78" (Ground) strips together end to end. Press. The border strip should measure 5-1/2 inches x 64 inches.
- **Arrange and sew** the 5-1/2 inch x 64-inch (Ground) border strip to the bottom of the assembled quilt top.

#### c. Outer Border (Sides):

- **Arrange and sew** the side borders, Sky / Panel Strip / Ground strips end to end. Press. Make [2]. The completed side borders should measure 5-1/2 inches x 75 inches
- **Arrange and sew** these border strips to the right and left sides of the completed quilt center. Press.

#### d. Your assembled top (with borders) should measure 75 inches x 75 inches.



## Finishing:

1. **Layer the assembled top** on the backing and batting. Baste all three layers together.
2. **Quilt** and Bind as desired.
3. **Attach a rod pocket** to the back for hanging (*optional*).

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