May Day

Finishes approximately 34" x 34".

Adorn your table with the quilt of flowers, just in time for Spring! A large Quilt-in-a-day Flying Geese ruler (2007CC) is required. A 4-1/2" square ruler will be helpful but it not required.

Unless the pattern tells you otherwise, you should always assume that the seam in any quilting pattern is 1/4" wide. WOF means Width of Fabric.

**Fabric Requirements:**

5/8 yard white:
- Cut (1) strip 7" wide by the WOF. Cut this strip into (5) 7" x 7" squares.
- Cut (2) strips 5" wide by the WOF. Cut these strips into (9) 5" x 5" squares.
- Cut the remaining strip down to 4-1/2" wide. Cut that strip into (14) 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles.
- Cut (1) strip 2-1/2" wide. Cut that strip into (4) 4-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles.

1/4 yard blue for Flying Geese
- Cut (1) strip 5-1/2" wide by the WOF. Cut this strip into (5) 5-1/2" x 5-1/2" squares.

1/4 yard pink for first border
- Cut (4) strips 2" wide by the WOF

1/8 yard yellow for flange
- Cut (4) strips 1" wide by 27-1/2".

5/8 yard Outer Border Fabric
- Cut (2) strips 5" wide by the WOF. Cut these strips into (9) 5" x 5" squares.
- Cut the remaining strip down to 3-1/2" wide.
- Cut (3) strips 3-1/2" wide.

1/4 yard green for binding
- Cut (3) strips 2-1/2" wide by the WOF. Sew end to end, mitering the join if you prefer.

**Making the HSTs**

There are many different ways to make Half Square Triangle Blocks. (HSTs) The traditional method is given here.

To create the HST blocks, place a 5" square of the outer border right sides together with a 5" square of the white. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the light square. Sew 1/4" on both sides of that diagonal line. Cut on the line and press the seam allowance to the dark.

Square up the block to 4-1/2" x 4-1/2". Don't skip this step! Make 18 HST blocks.

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Using the QIAD Flying Geese Ruler

Lay a 5-1/2” x 5-1/2” purple square roughly in the center of a 7” x 7” white square, right sides together. Draw a line through the diagonal of both squares. Pin carefully, then sew 1/4” on either side of the diagonal and then cut on the line.

It’s going to look a little odd, like the piece to the right. Press to the larger triangle. (right)

Lay your two odd shaped squares on top of each other, right sides together, matching the corners of the smaller triangle with the corners of the larger one. The seams WILL NOT touch each other. It’s okay, really.

Once again, draw a line on the diagonal, pin carefully, and sew 1/4” on either side. Cut on the diagonal. You should end up with a unit that looks like the one to the left.

Now just cut this unit in half and square it up using the Flying Geese ruler, taking care to allow a 1/4” seam allowance on top of the goose. You will make 20 Flying Geese units, but you will only need 18.

Sew a 2-1/2” x 4-1/2” white rectangle to the bottom of 18 Geese. (right) Press to the bottom rectangle.

Completing the Top

Sew a HST to the right side of those units. Make 18 units like the one shown to the left. Sew these into blocks as shown right. Press the seams in opposite directions to reduce bulk.

Matching the picture on the first page, sew these blocks in rows of three, then sew the rows into a top. Continue pressing seams in opposite direction, using pins at each intersection to keep everything in line. Press. Your top should measure 24-1/2” square.

Cut (2) of the 2” wide pink border strips 24-1/2” long. Sew one to each side of your top. Cut (2) 2” wide pink border strips 27-1/2” long. Sew one to the top and bottom. Press to the border.

To add the flange, fold the 1” wide strips in half wrong sides together and pin to the pink border, matching the center of the flange with the center of the border. Stay stitch 1/8” from the edge, overlapping at the corners. This will add a three dimensional element to the top.

To add the outer border, cut (2) of the 3-1/2” wide outer border strips 27-1/2” long. Sew one to each side of your top, matching the center of the border with the center of your top. The flange will be sandwiched in this seam. Cut (2) of the 3-1/2” wide outer border strips 33” long. Sew one to the top and bottom of this top. Press to the border.

You are done! Pin your new top to the wall for a few days so you can decide on a quilting motif and your family can praise you. Be sure to add a label when you are finished!