



**Free Project
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Romance

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Courtship Quilt

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Quilt size: 46" x 66"

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

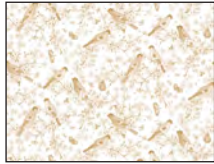
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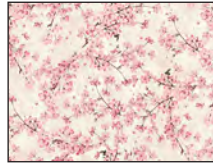
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Romance - Fabrics in the Collection



3765-44 Tonal Birds and Blooms - Cream



3766-42 Cherry Blossoms - Cream



3767-99 Floral Black



3768-42 Blooms Beige



3769-99 Large Blooms and Birds - Black



3770-44 Tossed Butterflies - Cream



3771-22 Bias Plaid Soft Rose



3774P-42 Panel 24" Beige

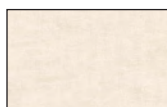


3773-42 Double Border Beige



3772-99 Border Stripe Black

Selected fabrics from the
Mélange Collection



4509-100
Cream



4509-402
Med. Pink



4509-908
Black

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Materials

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

One 3774P-42 Panel 24" - Beige
 ¼ yard 4509-402 Mélange - Med. Pink
 ½ yard 4509-100 Mélange - Cream
 ¾ yard 4509-908 Mélange - Black
 ⅞ yard 3768-42 Blooms - Beige
 1½ yards 3772-99 Border Stripe - Black
 3 yards 3770-44 Tossed Butterflies - Cream
 for backing
 54" x 74" piece of Air Lite® Colour Me 100%
 Cotton batting

Cut Fabrics

*Note: All strips are cut across the width of the fabric (WOF) from selvage to selvage **EXCEPT** for the border stripe, which is fussy cut on the length of the fabric (LOF)!*

From 3774P-42 24" Panel – Beige:

*Trim panel to 20½" x 40½".

From 4509-402 Mélange - Med. Pink, cut:

*(4) 1½" x WOF strips for border 1.

From 4509-100 Mélange – Cream, cut:

*(9) 1½" x WOF strips: 4 for border 2, 5 for border 4.

From 4509-908 Mélange – Black, cut:

*(6) 1½" x WOF strips for border 6.

*(6) 2½" x WOF strips for binding.

From 3768-42 Blooms – Beige, cut:

*(5) 5½" x WOF strips for border 3.

From 3768-42 Blooms – Beige, fussy cut:

*(6) 5" x LOF strips for border 5.

From 3770-44 Tossed Butterflies – Cream, cut:

*(2) 54" x WOF panels, pieced horizontally.

Assemble Quilt Top

Note: Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated. If no direction is specified, press the seam toward the darker fabric.

1. For border 1, trim 2 of the 1½" 4509-402 Mélange - Med. Pink strips to 40½". Sew one strip to each side of the quilt top and press the seams toward

the border strips. Measure the width of the quilt top through the center. Trim the remaining Med. Pink strips that length and sew one to the top and one to the bottom. Press the seams toward the borders.

2. Repeat Step 1 with the (4) 1½" 4509-100 Mélange – Cream strips to make and add border 2.
3. For border 3, sew the (5) 5½" 3768-42 Blooms – Beige border strips together end to end using diagonal seams. Measure the vertical length of the quilt top through the center and cut two border strips that length. Sew one strip to each side of the quilt top and press the seams toward the borders. Measure the width of the quilt top through the center. Cut two border strips that length and sew one to the top and one to the bottom. Press as before.
4. Repeat Step 3 with the (5) 1½" 4509-100 Mélange – Cream strips to make and add border 4.
5. For border 5, sew together (4) 5" 3768-42 Blooms – Beige strips using **straight** seams. Measure the vertical length of the quilt top through the center, **add 18" to that measurement**, and cut 2 side border strips that length. Measure the width of the quilt top through the center, **add 18" to that measurement**, and trim each of the remaining 2 strips that length to be use as top and bottom border strips. The strips measure approximately 84" for the sides and 52" for top/bottom.
6. Mark the quilt center along the sides, top, and bottom. Mark the center of each 5" border strip. Matching the centers, sew each border strip in place, beginning and ending exactly ¼" from the corners. **DO NOT** trim the extra length.
7. To miter the borders, fold one corner of the quilt at a 45° angle so that the border strips are directly on top of one another and the seams nest together. Place your rotary ruler on the fold of the quilt so that the long edge is against the fold and the 45° line is on the side of the seam. Draw a line from the corner of the quilt top to the outside edge of the border. Pin the borders together. Position your needle on the inside corner where the border meets the quilt. Stitch directly on the line you have drawn to the outside edge of

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the border. Trim the excess fabric, leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press. Repeat the process for the remaining three corners of the quilt.

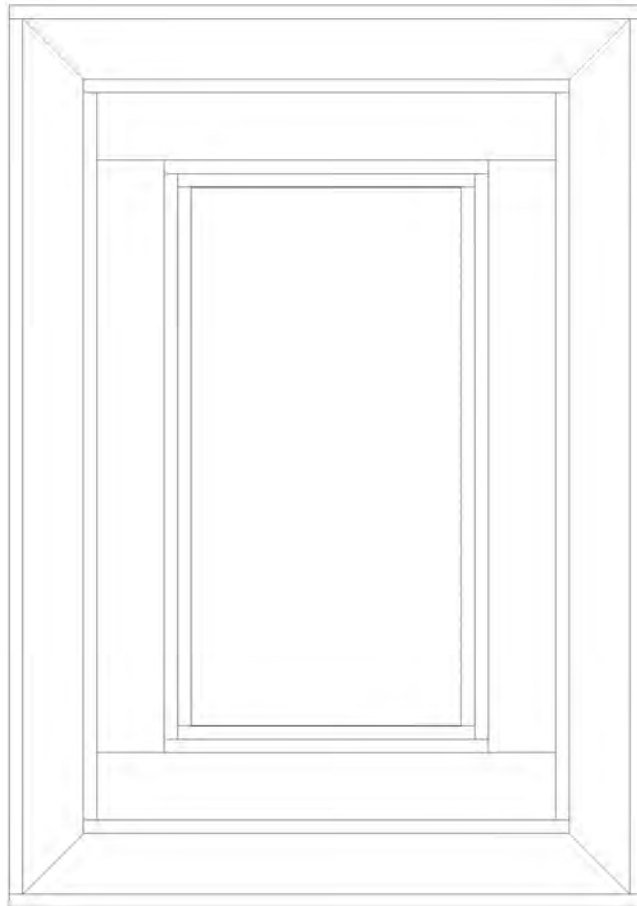
8. Repeat Step 3 with the (6) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " 4509-908 Mélange – Black strips to make and add border 6.

Finishing

9. Create a quilt sandwich with the batting between the quilt top and the backing. Pin or baste layers together, mark the quilting design, and quilt by hand or machine. When the quilting is complete,

remove pins or basting, and trim batting and backing even with the raw edges of the quilt top.

10. Join the (6) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " 4509-908 Mélange – Black binding strips together end to end using a diagonal seam to make one long strip. With wrong sides facing, fold in half lengthwise and press. Sew the binding to the edges of the quilt, mitering corners and overlapping ends. Fold the binding to the back of the quilt and stitch it in place by hand to finish.



Quilt Diagram

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