

CUDDLE BLOCKS

43" x 56"



Supplies:

- One Cuddle Cube Kit
(12 Assorted Fat quarters, 6 prints and 6 solids)
- One Cuddle backing 50" x 60"
- One can of 505 Spray Adhesive
- 50" x 60" warm bond or bamboo batting is optional



Cuddle quilts are great with or without batting. If you want your quilt, especially a baby quilt, to be soft and snuggly, try making it without batting. If you want it to stay in the crib as bedding, the batting makes it warm and cuddly.

This quilt is made using the row by row method. Sew each of the rows in the order you would like, and then you will attach the rows one at a time, starting from the center.

Instructions:

- Square up each of your fat quarters to 16". You will be cutting the scraps into 2" strips for a scrappy binding so keep that in mind as you square the blocks.
- Cut 4-8" squares from each of your trimmed fat quarters.
- Make six rows of 8 blocks in the color arrangement of your choice. I chose to make each row with a print and a solid and then alternate the pattern and colors in each row. Look at the picture for suggestion. Lay out the strips so you can see the design.
- On your backing fabric, mark a center line the length of the fabric.
- Take one of your center strips and spray-fuse it along the center line on your quilt backing. You will have three strips on each side of this line.
- Sew one row on each side of the center strip. Sewing through the block and the backing. Because this fabric is stretchy it helps to pin the seams together. Using a walking foot and "helping" the fabric through the feed dogs really helps. I like to use a longer stitch and lessen the pressure just a little.
- Continue to add the remaining strips on each side of the center; spray-fusing the strips each time. Spray-fuse the last strips down securely.
- Square up your quilt. Now it is ready to bind. Sew your scrappy binding together using a diagonal seam. Sew it to the front of the quilt and turn to the back. A serpentine stitch works well to create a durable binding. Enjoy your quilt.

For more ideas on how to make a Row by Row quilt go to the learning center at www.cuddlesoftkits.com.