

# Land of Happy Endings

*Nap-size quilt, 60" x 75"*

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## Fabric

Use 42"-wide fabric (at least 40 usable inches after preshrinking). **Avoid obviously directional prints.**

- 4 yards of light print for blocks and border
- 5/8 yard of gold print for blocks
- 4-5/8" x 20" pieces of 18 different red-violet, violet and blue-violet prints for blocks. In the instructions, we'll call these all "violet prints."
- 5/8 yard of violet print for binding. Use one of the fabrics you used above or an entirely different fabric.

### Later, you'll need:

- 66" x 81" piece of batting
- Backing: 2 yards of 108"-wide fabric (no seam) or 5 yards of 42"-wide fabric (one seam running the length of the quilt)

## Cutting

*All cutting dimensions include 1/4" seams.  
Cut strips selvage to selvage unless otherwise noted.*

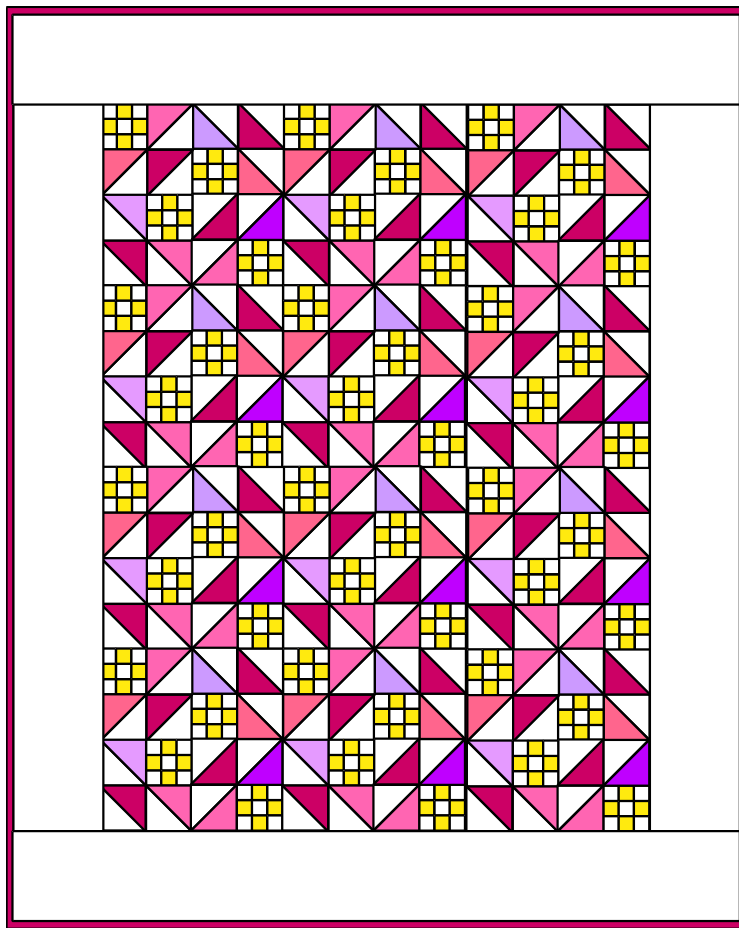
### From the light print, cut:

- 9 strips, 4-5/8" x 42". Cut these strips in half widthwise to make 18 rectangles, 4-5/8" x at least 20".
- 13 strips, 1-3/4" x 42"
- Reserve the remaining fabric for borders.

### From the gold print, cut:

- 11 strips, 1-3/4" x 42"

**No additional cutting is required for the 18 assorted violet prints.**

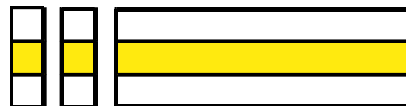


Note: This is one of those designs that creates pressing conundrums no matter what you do. The pressing instructions for this project say "Press the seams open or toward the ..... fabric." You choose. If you press to the side, you may have to twist some seams on the back when you assemble the blocks and/or the quilt, to make them butt together properly for easy joining. I press seams open.

## Making the Blocks

1. Join 10 of the 1-3/4" light strips and 5 of the 1-3/4" gold strips to make 5 strip units as shown. Press the seams open or toward the gold strips. The strip units should measure 4-1/4" wide (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.

From these strip units, cut a total of 96 segments, 1-3/4" wide.



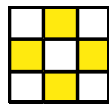
Make 5 strip units.  
Cut 96 segments, 1-3/4" wide.

2. Join the remaining 1-3/4" light and gold strips to make to make 3 strip units as shown. Press the seams open or toward the gold strips. The strip units should measure 4-1/4" wide (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.



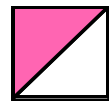
Make 3 strip units.  
Cut 48 segments, 1-3/4" wide.

3. Join the strip unit segments to make 48 nine-patch units as shown. Press the seams however you wish. The units should measure 4-1/4" x 4-1/4" (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.



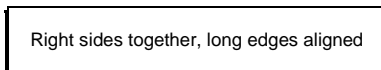
Make 48.

4. Make 144 light/violet half-square-triangle units, following the instructions below:

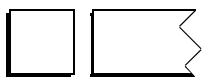


Make 144.

a. Layer each 4-5/8" x 20" light rectangle with a 4-5/8" x 20" violet rectangle, right sides together, to make 18 contrasting strip pairs as shown.



Don't stitch these strips together! You might want to lightly press the strip pairs to make the fabrics "stick" together before you proceed.

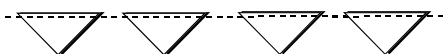


b. Cut 4 squares, 4-5/8" x 4-5/8", from each strip pair for a total of 72 layered squares.

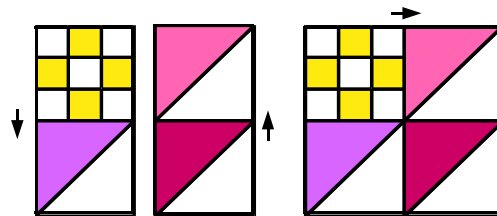


c. Cut the layered squares once diagonally, from corner to corner. Don't separate the triangle pairs!

d. Pick up and chain stitch the triangle pairs along the long edges to make half-square-triangle units as shown; the pairs are already matched and ready to sew. Press the seams open or toward the violet triangles. The units should measure 4-1/4" x 4-1/4" (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.



5. Join the nine-patch units and the half-square-triangle units to make 48 Fool's Gold blocks as shown. Combine the violet fabrics at random. Press the seams open or as indicated by the arrows. The blocks should measure 8" x 8" (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.



Make 48.

## Finishing the Quilt

1. Set the blocks together 6 across and 8 down, rotating the blocks as shown in the drawing on the first page.
2. Cut the border strips: From the remaining piece of light fabric, cut four **LENGTHWISE** strips, 8" wide and at least 62" long.
3. Add the borders: Measure the length of the quilt at the center, from raw edge to raw edge. Cut two of the light border strips to that measurement and join them to the sides of the quilt with a 1/4" seam, matching the ends and centers and easing the edges to fit. Then measure the width of the quilt at the center, including the border pieces you just added. Cut the remaining two border strips to that measurement and join them to the top and bottom of the quilt, matching the ends and centers and easing as necessary.
4. Piece the backing (if necessary), layer the quilt with batting and backing, and quilt.

5. Bind with strips cut from the 5/8 yard of violet print, joining them end to end to make one continuous strip long enough to bind the quilt. For 3/8" wide (finished) double-fold binding, cut the strips 2-1/2" wide.

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