

# Awareness Ribbons

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 Finished Size: 47" x 53"

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Fabric	Yardage
3 coordinating fabrics	3, 1 yd cuts
Backing Fabric	3 yds.
<i>Chenille By The Inch</i> <sup>®</sup>	
Color	Amount
Color to coordinate with fabric	250"
<b>Other Materials</b>	
Twin-size cotton batting	
Sewing thread to match fabric; invisible quilting thread	
<i>Chenille Brush</i> <sup>™</sup> & <i>Chenille Cutting Guide</i> <sup>™</sup>	
Spray bottle with water & fabric softener	

Ribbons are widely used to heighten awareness for certain causes. Pink for Breast Cancer, yellow for Soldier Support and purple for Alzheimer are just few of the many colors used for this purpose. Do an on-line search for *Awareness Ribbons* to find the meaning of all colors. Personalize the center blocks of the nine patch by adding *Chenille By The Inch*<sup>®</sup> ribbons in the color of your choice.

**Note:** WOF means "width of fabric." Seam allowance is 1/4" throughout. Press seams open. This quilt is intended as an economy quilt designed to utilize 44" wide fabric most efficiently. To make a larger quilt, purchase multiple, matching bundles of fabric from [www.fabriccafe.com](http://www.fabriccafe.com)

## Cutting

### From fabric #1:

3, 7 1/2" x WOF  
 cut into 18, 6 1/2" x 7 1/2" blocks  
 5, 2" x WOF for borders

### From fabric #2:

4, 2" x WOF for blocks  
 2, 3 1/2" x WOF for blocks  
 5, 2 1/2" x WOF for borders  
 4, 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" for corner blocks

### From fabric #3:

2, 3 1/2" x WOF for blocks  
 4, 2" x WOF for blocks  
 5, 2 1/2" x WOF for borders  
 5, 1 1/4" x WOF for binding

### From Backing Fabric:

2, 54" x WOF

## Step 1

For nine patch block segment "A", sew one fabric #2, 2" strip to each side of one fabric #3, 3 1/2" strip. Make 2 strip sets. Cut into 36, 2" segment "A".

## Step 2

For segment "B" sew one fabric #3, 2" strip to each side of one fabric #2, 3 1/2" strip. Make 2 strip sets. Cut into 18, 4 1/2" segment "B". Referring to Block Diagram for color placement, sew segments together. Make 18 blocks.

## Step 3

Assemble quilt top by sewing 6 rows of 6 blocks each, alternating nine patch and plain blocks. For borders, sew fabric #2, border strips together end to end. Sew strip to each side of quilt, trimming even with top and bottom. Sew strip to each top and bottom, trimming even with

## Fabric Selection Guide

Fabric # 1



Fabric # 2



Fabric # 3



## 9-Patch Block Diagram



sides. Repeat using fabric #1 border strips.

## Step 4

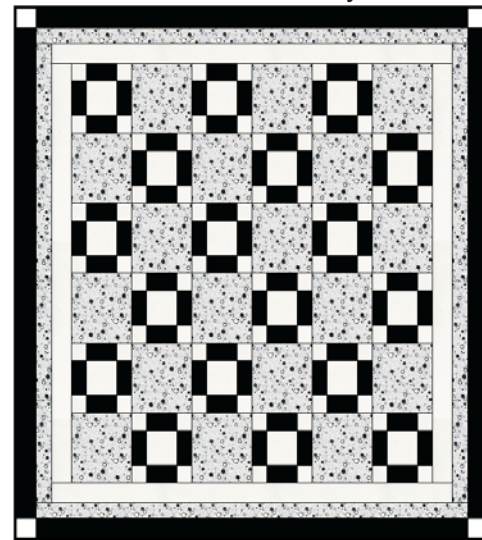
For third border, using 5, fabric #3 border strips, sew together end to end. Sew strip to each side of quilt trimming even with top and bottom. Using remainder of strip, cut two strips 43 1/2" long. Sew one fabric #2, 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" corner block to each end of these strips. Sew one strip to each top and bottom.

## Step 5

**Option: Although you can apply the chenille strips to the finished quilt, it is easier to sew chenille on the quilt top before quilting. When quilting, avoid stitching over chenille strips.**



## Quilt Assembly



Remove tear-away backing from *Chenille By The Inch*<sup>®</sup>. Using the *Chenille Cutting Guide*<sup>™</sup>, and cutting between the stitched lines with a rotary cutter, cut into strips. Sew *Chenille By the Inch*<sup>®</sup>, centering the ribbon design in each center block. Sew on stitch line, back tacking at beginning and end of each strip and overlapping ends 1/4" when adding a new strip.

## Step 6

Sew backing fabric together along selvage edge, press. Layer top, batting and backing together and pin baste quilt. Machine quilt as desired. For binding, sew 1 1/4" x WOF strips together end to end. Press in half with wrong side together, press one raw edge to center fold. With right sides together, using a scant 1/4" sew binding to quilt, mitering corners. Press to back and hand stitch in place.

## Step 7

Using a spray bottle with 3 or 4 drops of fabric softener added to 8 oz. of water, dampen sewn *Chenille By The Inch*<sup>®</sup> strips with water; using a *Chenille Brush*<sup>™</sup>, brush vigorously to fluff chenille.