Bright Heart Voile Quilt

Free Pattern
My “Bright Heart” inspiration comes from a fusion of elements both internal and external, born from rich feelings of delight in celebrating what brings meaning, purpose and beauty to my world: modern flower forms, rhythmic graphics, handmade ethnic textures and rich soulful colors that signal stories with my three palettes: “Grounded,” “Passionate,” and “Inspired.” My print inspiration and a good deal of the color combinations in my prints come from a wonderful creative adventure I experienced in Oaxaca, Mexico, where the people are deeply connected to their heritage, their spirit, and the natural world, expressing their “hand to heart” connection with the beautiful art forms that enrich their daily lives.

It brings me great joy to translate these inspirations and keep the creative love and energy moving forward to inspire folks who are creating with my fabrics. This is what I love about what I do as an artist! And this collection will uniquely have a different inspiration and meaning for the next person who plays with the fabrics. That’s the best part! Enjoy! Happy Sewing! - Amy

**Finished Size of Project:** 54” x 72” (137.2cm x 182.9cm)

**Finished Size of Block:** 18” x 18” (45.72cm)

**Fabric Requirements**

Bright Heart Voile by Amy Butler for FreeSpirit
(A) VOAB022.8MOSS  1 yard (0.91m)
(B) VOAB021.8PINE  1 yard (0.91m)
(C) VOAB023.8HUNT  2 yards (1.8m)
(Backing) VOAB022.8MOSS  3½ yards (3.09m)

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Additional Requirements
Sewing machine
Coats Dual Duty Plus XP All Purpose Thread in colors to match fabrics
Rotary cutter/mat/plastic ruler
Iron/pressing board
Basic Sewing Supplies
60” x 78” (152.4cm x 198.1cm) quilt batting

Cutting
Note: Cutting is based on 54” (137.16cm) wide fabric. WOF – Width of Fabric, LOF – Length of Fabric

Fabric A, cut:
(3) 10” x WOF (25.4cm x WOF); subcut into (12) 10” x 10” (25.4cm x 25.4cm)

Fabric B, cut:
(3) 10” x WOF (25.4cm x WOF); subcut into (12) 10” x 10” (25.4cm x 25.4cm)

Fabric C, cut:
(5) 10” x WOF (25.4cm x WOF); subcut into (24) 10” x 10” (25.4cm)
(6) 2½” x WOF (6.4cm x WOF), for binding

Backing Fabric, cut:
(2) 78½” x WOF (199.4cm x WOF)

Sewing Instructions
Note: Use a ¼” (.64cm) seam allowance throughout.

1. Draw a line along one diagonal on the wrong side of each Fabric A square.
2. Place a Fabric A and a Fabric C square right sides together matching raw edges. Stitch ¼” (.64cm) from each side of the drawn line, then cut along the drawn line to form (2) half-square triangle units. Press the seam allowance toward Fabric C. Trim the units to measure 9½” (24.1cm) square. Repeat to make a total of (24) Fabric A/Fabric C half-square triangle units (Fig. 1).

3. To make Block 1, sew (4) Fabric A/Fabric C half-square triangle units together, noting fabric placement (Fig. 2). Repeat to make a total of (6) Block 1.

4. Repeat steps 1 through 3, only this time using Fabric B and Fabric C squares, to make (6) Block 2. (Fig. 3)

5. Sew Blocks 1 and 2 alternately together into (4) horizontal rows. Press seam allowances of row 1 and 3 in the opposite direction of rows 2 and 4.
6. Sew the rows together, matching all seams, to complete the 54½” x 72½” (138.43cm x 184.15cm) quilt top.

Quilt Assembly
Note: Follow the Quilt Layout (Page 3) while assembling the quilt.
Finishing

7. Remove the selvages from the backing panels and sew together along one long edge. Trim to measure 60½" x 78½" (153.7cm x 199.4cm).

8. Layer backing right side down, batting and quilt top right side up. Baste and quilt as desired. Trim excess batting and backing even with the quilt top.

9. Sew the (6) Fabric C 2½" x WOF (6.4cm x WOF) into one continuous binding strip. Press seams open. Press the strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together.

10. Leaving an 8" (20.3cm) tail of binding, sew the binding to the top of the quilt through all layers with raw edges matching. Miter corners. Stop approximately 12" (30.5cm) from where you started. Lay both loose ends of binding flat along the quilt edge. Where the loose ends meet, fold them back on themselves and press to form a crease. Using this crease as your stitching line, sew the two open ends of the binding right sides together. Trim seam allowance to ⅜" (.64cm) and press open. Finish sewing binding to quilt.

11. Turn binding to back of quilt and blind stitch in place.
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