



BEGINNER | 1 DAY CLASS

TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE TREE

Finished Quilt: 39 1/2" x 46 1/2"

Quilt design by Linda Ambrosini, featuring Kablooms and Bali Batiks.

Add a pop of bright to your holiday decor. Light + bright and fun all over!



Q4539 130-Multi

Q2184 174-Seamist

Q2184 368-Coral Gables

Q2185 254-Tahiti

Q2185 469-Nasturtium

Q2202 224-Poppy

Q2202 272-Mallard

Q2205 418-Chamomile

1895 149-Sun

1895 226-Seaholly

1895 496-Pineapple

1895 503-Lagoon

100 618-Zinc

FABRICS	1 KIT
Q4539 130-Multi	5/8 Yard*
Q2184 174-Seamist	1/2 Yard
Q2184 368-Coral Gables	1/2 Yard
Q2185 254-Tahiti	1 F8
Q2185 469-Nasturtium	1 F8
Q2202 224-Poppy	1 F8
Q2202 272-Mallard	1 F8

* includes binding

FABRICS	1 KIT
Q2205 418-Chamomile	1 F8
1895 149-Sun	1 F16
1895 226-Seaholly	1 F8
1895 496-Pineapple	1/2 Yard
1895 503-Lagoon	1 F8
100 618-Zinc	1/2 Yard

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Here is a quick little pattern to create a colorful Christmas tree. Let's use some bright colors to keep us smiling during the stress of the holidays... Cheers to all!!

Note: This quilt was designed using a ¼ inch seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

Fabric Requirements:

Background Fabrics:	½ yd	Q2184	Seamist
	½ yd	Q2184	Coral Gables
	½ yd	1895	Pineapple
	½ yd	100	Zinc
Bright Tree Colors:	5/8 yd	Q4539	Multi includes binding
	F8	Q2185	Tahiti
	F8	Q2185	Nasturtium
	F8	Q2202	Poppy
	F8	Q2202	Mallard
	F8	Q2205	Chamomile
	F8	1895	Seaholly
	F8	1895	Lagoon
Star Tree Topper:	F16	1895	Sun

Fabric Cutting:

Background fabrics (4):

From each of the fabrics (lights) cut 1 strip 5 ½ by width of fabric (WOF), sub-cut into 5 – 5 ¼ inch squares, 2 – 2 ¾ by 4 ½ inch rectangles and 2 – 4 ½ inch squares. Cut 2 strips 4 ½ by WOF and sub-cut the entire width into 4 ½ inch squares (9 squares in each).

Additional cuts of fabric are needed from Q2184 Seamist to make the star tree topper. Cut 4 – 1 ¼ by 2 inch rectangles and 4 – 1 ¼ inch squares from the remaining fabric piece.

Tree Bright Colors (8):

Q4539 Multi – Cut 1 strip $5\frac{1}{4}$ by WOF and sub cut into 6 – $5\frac{1}{4}$ inch squares. Cut 5 - $2\frac{1}{4}$ by WOF strips and set aside for binding.

Q2202 Mallard - Paying attention to the direction of the wavy stripe, cut 1 rectangle $4\frac{1}{2}$ by $8\frac{1}{2}$. This is the tree trunk and we want that stripe running up and down ($8\frac{1}{2}$ inch length), also cut 2 – $5\frac{1}{4}$ inch squares from this Fat $\frac{1}{8}$ th.

From the remaining Fat $\frac{1}{8}$ ths cut 2 – $5\frac{1}{4}$ inch squares from each.

Yellow Star, 1 Fat $\frac{1}{16}$ th:

Cut 1 – 2 inch square and 8 - $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch squares.

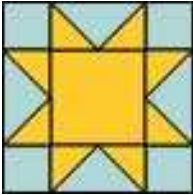
Block Construction:

The tree is made of half -square triangles. I like making these oversized and then trim down to the actual size. This greatly increases my accuracy as half-square triangles are well known for tweaking because they are sewn on the fabric's bias.

You have cut 20 $5\frac{1}{4}$ inch background squares and 20 – $5\frac{1}{4}$ inch tree bright colored squares. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the background squares. Match each of these backgrounds to a bright color with their right sides together. Sew a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam on either side of the drawn diagonal line. Cut the two units apart along the drawn line, open the unit and press the seam allowance toward the darker, bright colored fabric. Again, these blocks are oversized and need to be squared up to $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Once all blocks are completed you will have 40 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch half – square triangle blocks. These make up the Christmas tree.

Star tree topper; this block is an Ohio Star block set on-point. Let's make the Ohio Star first. We will "snowball" the yellow star points ($1\frac{1}{4}$ inch squares) onto the $1\frac{1}{4}$ by 2 inch rectangle background fabric. Draw a diagonal line across all 8 of the $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch yellow squares. With right sides together, match up to one end of the background rectangle and sew exactly on the line drawn. Fold over the yellow square to form a triangle (star point) cut away the excess fabric below the star point $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from the sewn line. Repeat this process for the opposite side of the rectangle. Make 4 of these units. Note the way to orient the star points in the

diagram below. To sew the block, make 3 rows. The first is to add 2 – 1 ¼ inch squares on either side of a star point rectangle. The second is to sew a star point rectangle on either side of the solid yellow square and the last row is again 2 – 1 ¼ inch squares sewn on either side of the star point rectangle. Again, the diagram below will show orientation.



To make this star rotate into the tree topper take 2 of the Q2184 Seamist 4 ½ inch squares and cut them in half diagonally. You will be making a larger block than needed but we will cut it down. Sew these 4 background pieces to the 4 sides of your Ohio Star block by centering the longest side of the background triangles to each side of the Ohio Star. Yes, there will be excess fabric on each side, just cut it off. Square up this tree topper unit to 4 ½ inches, yes, you will be cutting off the background points of your star block.

Quilt Layout:

Layout your blocks. This quilt is set 10 by 12 blocks and is symmetrical around the quilt's center. I like laying out so that I can balance my fabric placement. The first row has 10 background blocks. The second row has the star tree topper in the center with 2 of the rectangular background pieces on either side and 8 additional background blocks. The 3rd and 4th rows have 2 – half-square triangle block centered and 8 background blocks. The 5th and 6th rows have 4 – half-square triangle blocks and 6 background blocks. The 7th and 8th rows have 6 – half-square triangles and 4 background blocks. The 9th and 10th have 8 – half-square triangles and 2 background blocks. The 11th and 12th rows need to be made together as the tree trunk piece is in both rows. It has 4 of the narrow background rectangles on either side (2 on each) and the remainder of the rows are the 4 ½ inch squares. It is easiest to create the 11th and 12th the rows by sewing the left and right sides separately and then joining to the trunk.

Sew all rows together

Quilt and Bind