# "QUILT-AS-YOU-GO" STRIP-PIECED OVERLOCK QUILT

This quilt, with its simple, modern design, is easy to create using your HUSQVARNA® VIKING® AMBER™ Air S|600 coverlock machines. The fabric and batting strips are joined together using the quilt-as-you-go method. The quilt is then finished by adding a binding using your HUSQVARNA® VIKING® sewing machine. The finished size of this quilt is 60" x 60" (153cm x 153cm).

#### **SEWING SUPPLIES:**

- HUSQVARNA® VIKING® AMBER™ Air S | 600 coverlock machine
- HUSQVARNA® VIKING® sewing machine
- Four spools of overlock thread to match main fabric
- Rotary cutter, mat and ruler

# **FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:**

(Note: Fabrics quantities listed are for lengthwise grain)

2½ yards (2.3m) Grape fabric (main fabric)

1¾ yards (1.6m) Darker blue fabric (center)

1¾ yards (1.6m) Green fabric

1 yard (0.9m) Lighter blue fabric

½ yard (0.5m) Rose fabric

yard (0.3m) Coral fabric

3½ yards (3.2m) Backing fabric

1¾ yards (1.6m) Batting





# **CUTTING DIRECTIONS:**

## **QUILT TOP FABRICS**

• Grape fabric Eight pieces 2½" W x 61" L (6.5cm W x 155cm L)

Two pieces 5" W x 61" L (13cm W x 155cm L) Two pieces  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " W x 61" L (14cm W x 155cm L) Three pieces  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " W x 61" L (9cm W x 155cm L)

- From first piece, cut one 11 1/2" (29.5cm) and

one 41 1/2" (105.5com)

- From second piece, cut one 11 1/2" (29.5cm) and

one 41 1/2" (105.5com)

- From third piece, cut two 27 1/2" (70cm)

 Darker blue fabric One piece 3½" W x 61" L (9cm W x 155cm L) Green fabric Two pieces 3½" W x 61" L (9cm W x 155cm L) Lighter blue fabric Four pieces 3½" W x 25¼" (9cm W x 64cm L) Rose fabric Four pieces 3½" W x 17¼" L (9cm W x 44cm L) Coral fabric Four pieces 3½" W x 10¼" L (9cm W x 26cm L)

#### **QUILT BACK FABRIC**

• Twelve pieces 5¾" W x 61" L (15cm W x 155cm L) • One piece 3¾" W x 61" L (9.5cm W x 155cm L)

#### **BATTING**

Twelve pieces 5½" W x 61" L (14cm W x 155cm L)
One piece 3½" W x 61" L (9cm W x 155cm L)

# **SEWING DIRECTIONS:**

The quilt is created in four basic stages:

- 1) Preparing the strips consisting of 2 colors,
- 2) Preparing the "sets" of strips for the quilt topper,
- 3) Quilting the "sets" and solid strips together, including the batting and backing, and
- 4) Adding the binding.

#### STAGE 1: PREPARING THE STRIPS CONSISTING OF 2 COLORS

Select the 4-thread overlock stitch, which is #3 in your machine's stitch menu. When you select your stitch the tension settings, differential feed and stitch length are automatically selected for you. Test your stitch on a fabric scrap to determine where to set the cutting width dial. Make any other fine-tune adjustments desired.



Measure and note ¼" (6mm) from the left needle, then use this as your guide for seam allowance as you proceed. (Note: The edge of the needle plate could serve as a visual reference for guiding the raw edges of the fabrics.)

Piece together the shorter fabric strips to become 61" (155cm) strips.

- Make 2 identical strips using the 25¼" (64cm) lighter blue fabric pieces, stitching one to each end of a 11½" (29.5cm) grape fabric piece
- Make 2 identical strips using the 17¼" (44cm) rose fabrics, stitching one to each end of a 27½" (70cm) grape fabric piece
- Make 2 identical strips using the  $10\frac{1}{4}$ " (26cm) coral fabrics, stitching one to each end of  $41\frac{1}{2}$ " (105.5cm) grape fabric piece

Press all seams of these pieced strips toward the darker fabric side. Check to make sure that each of these 6 pieced strips measures 61" (155cm) when finished.

## STAGE 2: PREPARING THE "SETS" OF STRIPS FOR THE QUILT TOPPER

Quilting with an overlock machine is done by stitching a series of "fabric sandwiches" together, one at a time. The recommended maximum width of each section is about 5" (13cm). That said, the next step for this quilt is to create your series of strip sets from the quilt topper fabrics. A  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " (9cm) colored fabric strip and a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " (6.5cm) strip of the main fabric will be joined to create a single "set". A total of 8 "sets" is needed.

Set 1: 3½" (9cm) coral/grape strip and 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip

Set 2: 3½" (9cm) rose/grape strip and 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip

Set 3: 3½" (9cm) light blue/grape strip and 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip

Set 4: 3½" (9cm) green strip and 2½ (6.5cm) solid grape strip

Set 5: 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip to 3½" (9cm) green strip

Set 6: 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip to 3½" (9cm) light blue/grape strip

Set 7: 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip to 3½" (9cm) rose/grape strip

Set 8: 2½" (6.5cm) solid grape strip to 3½" (9cm)coral/grape strip

Note: The wider, solid grape strips at the left and right sides of the quilt, and the darker blue strip at center, are not part of "set" preparation.

Stitch the strip sets using the 4-thread overlock stitch. Use the edge of the needle plate as a guide for seam allowance, cutting only very scant trimmings as you go.





## STAGE 3: QUILTING THE "SETS", SOLID STRIPS, BACKING AND BATTING

Lay out the strip sets, as well as the corresponding backing and batting pieces, in the order they are to be sewn.

5" (13cm) Solid grape strip

5½" (14cm) Solid grape strip

Set 1

Set 2

Set 3

Set 4

Darker blue strip

Set 5

Set 6

Set 7

Set 8

5½" (14cm) Solid grape strip

5" (13cm) Solid grape strip



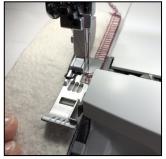
Before sewing the thicknesses together, test a sample from your fabric scraps to check your stitch. The HUSQVARNA® VIKING® AMBER™ Air S | 600 has an Exclusive SEWING ADVISOR, which will set your tensions, differential feed, and stitch length automatically. Touch the SEWING ADVISOR icon, then select the icon for "Woven Heavy" on your screen. Test the stitch on your fabric thickness and make any further adjustments you might want. The cutting width is recommended to be set to 7.0.





If any fine-tuning of the looper threads is desired, you can use the Precise Thread Control. This patented feature on your AMBER™ Air S | 600 allows for fine-tuning the overedge threads for perfect stitch formation along fabric edges.











When you have set your stitch the way you want, you can save the settings in your machine's memory, and then name the stitch so you can load the stitch for use later. The quilt is assembled from the left side of the quilt, adding toward the right as you go.

The first two rows of the quilt are the solid grape strips.

Here is how to "stack" the 2 first rows that you will stitch, starting from bottom layer to top layer:

5½" (14cm) fabric right side up

5" (13cm) fabric wrong side up

5" (13cm) batting

5" (13cm) fabric right side up

5½" (14cm) fabric wrong side up

5½" (14cm) batting

Stitch the seam, trimming only a very scant amount of the fabric and batting. When the seam is finished, press toward the right. Continue adding strips, stitching and pressing as you go, until all strips are joined.

#### STAGE 4: ADDING THE BINDING

Measure around the quilt. Cut 2½" (6.5cm) wide strips of the quilt

binding fabric and stitch them together for one continuous piece. Use your HUSQVARNA® VIKING® sewing machine to attach your binding. If desired, a decorative stitch can be used as a subtle embellishment.





