## **Stacked Squares Kit**

Each kit makes a 36" x 48" quilt top and contains: 72 squares (4" squares)

For blocks:

- 8 strips (2.5" x about 22")
- 2 strips (3.5" x about 22")
- 1 strip (2.5" x 33")

5 Strips for border (2.5" x 42" or about 200" total)



Figure 1: Stacked Squares quilt

- You will need 6 completed blocks for this quilt top (Figure 1).
- Prepare each block by sewing 2 columns of 6 squares together. Then join the two columns together using a 2.5" x 22" strip (Figure 1). Trim edges as needed. Block should be 9.5" x 21.5" unfinished.

Hint: alternate the direction you sew the seams to keep the column of squares straight.



Figure 2: Completed block

- Using the blocks created in the previous step, you will create 2 each of Unit A and Unit B (Figures 3 and 4).
  - For Unit A, sew an additional 2.5" x 21.5" strip to the outside of the block.
  - For Unit B, sew two blocks together using a 3.5" x 22" strip between the blocks.



Figure 3: Unit A



Figure 4: Unit B

• Join one Unit A to the right side of a Unit B (Figure 5). Join the other Unit A to the left side of the other Unit B (Figure 6). Press seams toward strips. Each of these is half of the quilt top (minus sashing and border).



Figure 5: Top section with Unit A to left of Unit B



Figure 4: Bottom section with Unit A to right of Unit B

- Join the top and bottom halves using the long sashing strip (2.3" x 33") as shown in Figure
  7. This should be about 32.5" x 44.5" in size.
- Prepare border strips for the long sides by sewing 3 strips together and cutting to measured quilt length.
   Note: be sure to remove any selvedges before joining border strips!
- Attach side borders and press seams towards border.
  Trim any excess fabric to even quilt edges.
- Attach top and bottom borders and press seams towards border. These strips should be about 36". Trim excess fabric to complete quilt top.



Figure 7: Completed quilt top