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From our sandy beaches to our green pastures
From our wheat fields to our forests
From our deserts to our red centre, to our bright blue skies
This is Australia

Quilt size 57" x 61"
Block size (finished) 6" square



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Requirements Cuts are by the full width of the fabric based on 44" wide unless otherwise stated

14 Australiana fabrics x 20cm (8") each
2 contrast fabrics x 35cm (14") each
7 contrast fabrics x 25 cm (10") each
Borders and binding 1.7mt (65"). These are cut along the length of the fabric
Backing 3.2mt (3 ½ yd)
Wadding 1.6mt (1 ¾ yd)

Cutting From the assorted Australiana fabrics cut a mixture of seventy five (75) 6 ½" squares and ten (10) 3 ½" x 6 ½" rectangles.
From each of the two (2) 35 cm contrast fabrics cut forth eight (48) 3" squares
From each of the seven (7) 25cm contrast fabrics cut thirty two (32) 3" squares
Border and binding fabrics cut two (2) 4 ½" x 60" strips, two (2) 4 ½" x 56 ½" and three and a half inch (3 ½") strips x 2 ½" for the binding.
All seam allowances are ¼" unless otherwise stated.

Block assembly

Draw a diagonal line on the WRONG side of ALL the contrast pieces or press them all with a dry iron on the diagonal. This will be the sewing line.

Mix all the 6 ½" squares and pick each up randomly. Follow the picture for placement of the contrast fabrics. The first and last rows have the same contrast fabric on all 4 corners. All the other rows have 2 contrast fabrics. Sew a 3" square to each corner of all the 6 ½" squares along the drawn or pressed lines.

Rows 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 have a rectangle at each end, so match contrast fabrics to the 6 ½" squares for these rows.

Trim all seams back to a ¼". Press to contrast fabrics (save the cut off triangles as they can be sewn into small half-square-triangle blocks and made into matching cushions).

Sew blocks together into rows. First row, 8 full blocks. Second row, 7 full blocks and a ½ block at each end. Repeat rows 1 and 2 until all 10 rows are completed. Press seams.

Follow picture to sew the rows together. Press seams.

Sew on the side borders (60 ½"). Press to borders. Sew on the top and bottom borders (56 ½"). Press to borders.

Join binding strips to make a continuous strip. Press in half along the length wrong-sides together.

Layer, quilt and bind using your preferred method.