

## Quinten Sky <br> By Carla Schwab

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se this small quilted piece with trees framing the center star on a table or on your door as a welcome sign for winter. If you stitch it in colors to match your decor, you can use it all year long.


- Skill Level: Beginner
- Project Size: 17" x 17"
- Block Size: 6 1/4" x 6 1/4"
- Number of Blocks: 4

- $1 / 8$ yard each medium yellow, brown, blue and light green prints
- 1/4 yard each dark green, red and yellow prints
- Backing 21" x 21 "
- Batting 21" x 21 "
- 2 1/4 yards self-made or purchased binding
- Coordinating all-purpose thread
- Basic sewing supplies and tools


## Instructions

Step 1. Prepare templates using pattern pieces given. Cut as directed on each piece for one block; repeat for four blocks.


Step 2. To piece one block, sew B and BR to A; press seams toward A. Sew a medium yellow C to the A-B unit referring to Figure 1; press seam toward C. Sew a blue C to the $B$ and $B R$ sides of the A-B-C unit; press seams toward C pieces.

Step 3. To make tree trunk for appliqué, cut four brown print rectangles $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3$ ". Fold in half along length with right sides together; stitch along 3 " side. Trim seam; turn right side out. Center seam on backside; press.

Step 4. Baste tree trunk piece to light green C triangle, centering tree trunk piece with seam side down, referring to Figure 2; trim trunk piece even with triangle.

Step 5. Sew the light green C tree trunk piece to the remaining edge of A to complete one block as shown in Figure 3; press seam toward C. Repeat for four blocks.
Step 6. Join four blocks with yellow print C triangles in the center to make pieced center referring to


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Placement Diagram 17 " x 17"


Figure 2
Baste tree trunk piece to green C.


Figure 3
Sew tree trunk $C$ piece to the A-B-C unit to complete 1 block.
the Placement Diagram for positioning. Press seams in one direction.

Step 7. Cut four strips red print 2 3/4" x 13" and four squares dark green print $23 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 23 / 4^{\prime \prime}$. Sew a square to each end of two strips; press seams toward squares.
Step 8. Sew a $23 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 13$ " red print strip to opposite sides of the pieced center; press seams toward strips. Sew the strips with squares to the remaining sides; press seams toward strips.

Step 9. Hand-appliqué tree trunk pieces in place on C pieces; remove basting.
Step 10. Mark quilting design given on borders of quilt and in the A pieces as marked on template.

Step 11. Prepare top for quilting and bind as desired.


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