# Encircled Love



This pattern is for a sweet circular heart mini quilt or table topper! The finished quilt is 20 inches in diameter.

### Tools Needed:

- Rotary Cutter
- Rotary Cutting Mat
- Square Quilting Ruler (at least 9.5x9.5in)
- Elmer's Glue Stick or Pins
- Basting Spray or Basting Pins
- Printable Templates (included on page 8 & 9)

### Fabric Needed:

- Inner Circle Hearts: 4 charm squares (5x5in)
- Outer Circle Hearts: 8 charm squares (5x5in)
- Background: 1/2 yard
- Bias Binding: 2 yards premade bias binding or 15in square to make your own
- Backing: 2/3 yard
- Batting: 2/3 yard



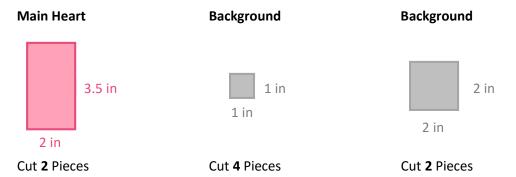
### Tips

- Read through the pattern once before beginning. It helps to understand all of the steps before starting ©
- Ensure you print the templates with "No Scaling" or "Actual Size"
- I'd love to see your work! Tag your photos with #EncircledLove so I can check them out!

### Heart Block Instructions:

Make 12 heart blocks total. You need 4 inner circle and 8 outer circle heart blocks.

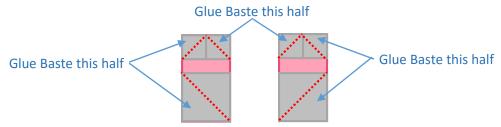
1. For each heart block cut the following:



2. Draw diagonal lines on the wrong side of the background squares. I like to use a water soluble marker in case I make any mistakes!

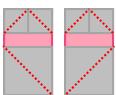


3. Assemble the 2 heart half units as shown below with right sides together. I like to use an Elmer's glue stick to glue baste my squares where indicated, but feel free to pin if you'd like!



Tip: Baste/pin both halves of the heart at the same time. This way you ensure you have the diagonal correct so you don't end up with two of the same sides of the heart!

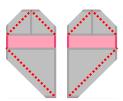
4. Stitch along the diagonal lines you marked.



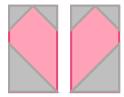
Tip: Assemble all of the half heart units at once so that you can chain piece. This saves time & thread!



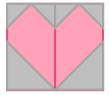
5. Trim the half heart units ¼ in from each seam.



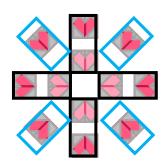
6. Open the background squares and press the seams toward the background fabric.



7. Sew the 2 half heart units together, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press the seams open or to one side.



- 8. Repeat steps 1-7 for the remaining 11 heart blocks.
- 9. Layout hearts in pattern as shown below until you are satisfied with the placement. We are going to call the black outlined units "A" and the blue outlined units "B"







## "A" Unit Assembly Make 4 "A" units total

1. For each A unit you need the following:



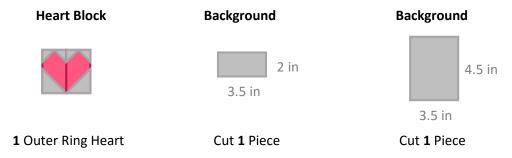
2. Assemble the unit as shown below, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. The outer ring heart should be on top and the inner ring circle should be on bottom.



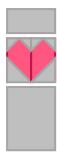
3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 for the other 3 A units.

"B" Unit Assembly
Make 4 "B" units total

1. For each **B** unit you need the following:



2. Assemble the unit as shown below, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press the seams toward the background fabric.





3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 for the other 3 **B** units.

### Quarter Unit Assembly Make 4 Quarters Units total

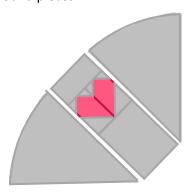
1. For each Quarter unit you need the following:



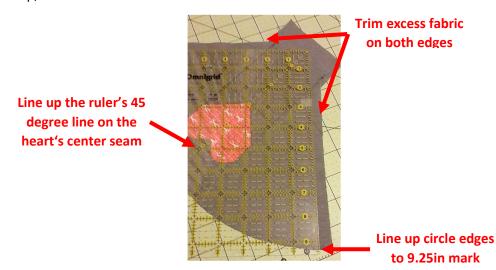
1 Outer Ring Heart

Cut 2 Pieces (Printable Template #1)

2. Assemble the corner units as shown below, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press the seams toward the wedge shapes background pieces.

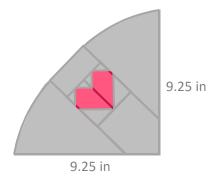


3. Using a square quilting ruler, line up the 45 degree line with the middle heart seam. Move the ruler so that the edges of the circles are at 9.25in (Image below- sorry for the photo quality! It was dark while I did this step). Once lined up, trim the excess fabric.





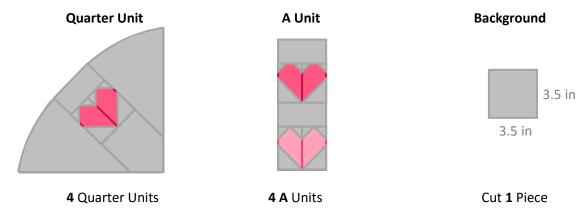
4. The trimmed unit should look like the image below.



5. Repeat steps 1-4 for the remaining 3 Quarter units.

### Final Assembly

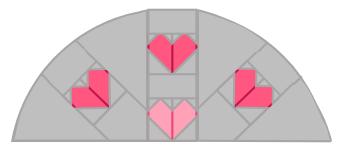
1. For the final assembly you need the following:



2. Assemble the middle piece as shown below, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press the seams toward the center background piece.

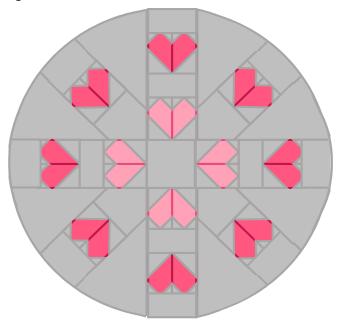


3. Assemble the top & bottom pieces as shown below, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press your seams toward the diagonal heart units.





4. Assemble the top & bottom pieces to the middle piece, right sides together with a ¼ in seam allowance. Press the seams towards the diagonal heart units.



5. Press top flat.

### Quilting

- 1. Baste top, batting, and backing together. This can be done with spray baste or pins.
- 2. Quilt as desired. I chose to go with a spiral to accent the circle!
- 3. Mark outer edge with a 20 in diameter circle. You can trace an object if you have one, or use printable template #2 provided at the end of the pattern. To use the printable template, print 8 copies and cut them out carefully (cardstock recommended). Tape the sections together with no overlap, lining up the outer circle edges. The cut out at the center helps to ensure you are centered.
- 4. Trim the quilt to the marked circle.

#### Binding

- 1. You will need ~2 yards of binding for this quilt. You can use premade bias binding or make your own- but it must be bias to allow it to curve! I chose to create my own bias binding from the background fabric. I followed the tutorial here: http://pir8.freeservers.com/quilting/CBT. I used a 15x15in square to make my binding and had several inches extra.
- 2. Attach the binding to the quilt. I used the awesome tutorial here: http://retro-mama.blogspot.com/2012/03/corrections-and-tutorial.html
- 3. You are finished! Sit back and admire your work! ©

I hope you enjoyed this pattern! If you have any questions or issues-please let me know at Kittensandthreads@gmail.com!



