

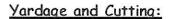
## Pattern of the Month - May 2015

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"Double Rainbow " - 41" × 60"

(10" wide finished rainbows, made from  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " strips)

Note: Rainbow color sequence usually includes blue, but for this quilt the blue is in the background. Arrange the colors the way you want them.



5 different rainbow colors -Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, and Purple - Cut 3  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF strips of each color (WOF strips will be pieced);

<u>OR</u>, if cutting <u>lengthwise</u> strips, cut only 2 of each color,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 60" long)

Light Blue background fabric -  $(1\frac{3}{4} \text{ yards})$ . Cut three  $7\frac{1}{2}$ " x 60" strips

Backing -  $1\frac{3}{4}$  yards (at least  $42'' \times 62''$ )

Binding - 6 strips  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF (these can be assorted rainbow colors, if desired)

<u>Sewing:</u> Use  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances.

The rainbows are made with strip sets.

If using  $\underline{WOF}$  strips: cut one of each color in half; add a half-strip to each whole strip, to make two 60" strips of each of the 5 colors.

If using strips cut *lengthwise*: they should already be the right length, about 60".

Make 2 strip sets in the same rainbow color order, using 5 strips in each set.

Press seams in one direction.

Alternating 3 blue background strips and 2 rainbow strip sets, sew rows together. See quilt illustration at top of page. 1 Trim ends to even up. Layer, quilt and bind.

## Note:

Use your imagination - try a Triple Rainbow, with stripes going crosswise → - or, if you have different fabrics available, make up a different strippy quilt!

