

# from little things, big things grow...

## FREE QUILT PATTERN

by Sarah Fielke for Lecien

Finished quilt size: 57 1/2" x 80 1/2"

### Materials

15" of Lecien Color Basic 4525BK  
(black check) for tree trunks

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2" each of 8 different fabrics (30063-110,  
30062-90, 30063-20, 30061-70, 30061-90,  
30063-50, 30063-60, 30067-60) for leaf A

2" each of 8 different fabrics (30067-220,  
30061-110, 30062-10, 30065-50, 30062-10,  
30062-111, 30065-90, 30067-20) for leaf B

4" each of 8 different fabrics (30060-50,  
30065-60, 30062-60, 30060-70, 30067-40,  
30065-10, 30064-50, 30061-50) for leaf C

3" each of 8 different fabrics (30064-90,  
30062-111, 30062-90, 30067-70, 30067-20,  
30061-60, 30064-110, 30064-50) for leaf  
D triangles

3" of 30062-50 (yellow bell flowers) for  
corner stones

13" each of 30066-50, 30066-30, 30066-110,  
30066-70 (spots) for backgrounds

33" of 30063-110 (purple birds) for  
setting triangles

1 3/4yds of 30067-110 (purple stripe)  
for sashing, inner border and binding

1yd of 30065-50 (yellow floral) for  
outer border

3 1/2yds of 30065-90 (grey floral)  
backing fabric

65" x 88" piece cotton wadding

cotton thread for piecing

Perle 8 thread for quilting

Rotary cutter, patchwork ruler and mat



Sarah Fielke is a teacher, fabric designer and author. She is available through her blog at [www.thelastpiece.net](http://www.thelastpiece.net). Her latest book, *Material Obsession Two, Shared Inspiration*, has just been released in the USA, and her next book, *Quilting: From Little Things*, will be available in Australia in March 2011. Fabrics, patterns and books are available wholesale. To see more of 'From little things' visit [www.lecien.co.jp/en/hobby/index.html](http://www.lecien.co.jp/en/hobby/index.html)

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## Making the quilt

### Cutting

From the black check, cut 8 Template A pieces for the tree trunks.

From the assorted leaf fabrics, cut 2" strips. Using the 45 degree line on your patchwork ruler, cut diamonds with a  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " long side from the strip. You will need 5 A diamonds, 10 B diamonds and 15 C diamonds for each tree.

From the D triangle fabrics, cut a  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " strip. Cut triangles with a 45 degree angle using your patchwork ruler (half a diamond) You will need 20 D triangles for each tree.

From the corner stone fabric, cut a  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " strip. From this strip cut 5 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cross cut these squares on one diagonal for the outer corner stone triangles. Trim the remaining strip to 2". From this strip, cut seven 2" squares for the square corner stones.

From each of the spot background fabrics, cut a  $5\frac{7}{8}$ " strip and a n 8" strip. From the  $5\frac{7}{8}$ " strip, cut four squares  $5\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cross cut these squares on one diagonal to form half square triangles. From the 8" strip cut four Template B pieces from each spot, two right side up (B) and two right side down (BR).

From the purple bird fabric cut three strips 11". Using the 45 degree angle on your patchwork ruler, cut six quarter square triangles and four half square triangles with a height of 11". You will get two quarter square triangles from each strip, more if you don't fussy cut the birds. All these triangles are larger than needed to allow for squaring up after sewing.

From the purple stripe fabric, cut twelve strips 2" for the sashing. Cross cut these strips into 24 strips 15" long. From the remaining fabric, cut seven strips  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " for the inner border and eight strips 3" for the binding fabric.

From the yellow floral fabric cut six strips  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " for the outer border.

### Block piecing

Lay out one A, two B and three C diamonds into a triangle shape as shown, together with three D triangles. Sew them into rows and press.

Join the rows to make a large triangle. Continue with the same fabric layout until you have made 5 triangles.

Matching the top edge of the trunk to the  $\frac{1}{4}$ " line on the B Template, sew a Template B piece to one side of the Template A trunk and a Template BR piece to the other side. Sew a half square triangle to the bottom of the trunk.

Sew the leaf section to the trunk section, pivoting your needle at the centre point to create a Y seam. Sew a half square triangle to three corners of the block to make a square. Use the picture as a guide. Make 8 blocks.

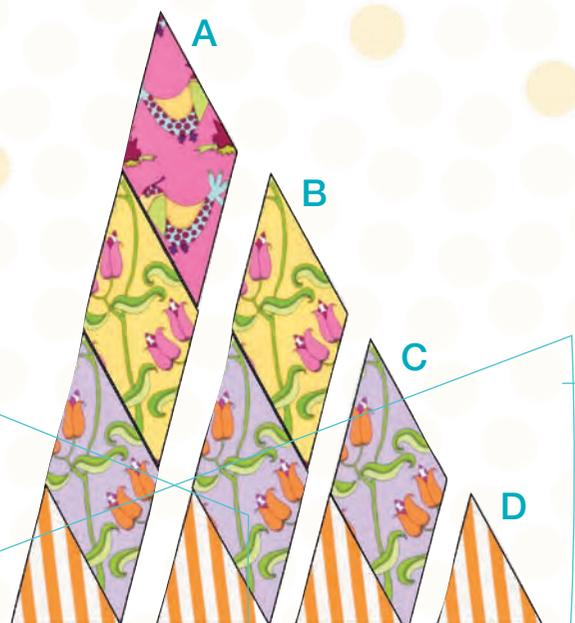
### Assembly

Lay the blocks out on a design wall or floor using the picture as a guide. Sew the blocks together in rows diagonally with the sashing in between.

Sew all the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " stripe strips together into one long strip. Measure the quilt top through the centre from side to side and cut two strips this length. Sew the strips to the top and bottom of the quilt. Now measure the quilt from top to bottom and repeat the process for the side borders. Using this method attach the outer yellow borders and press.

### Quilting and finishing

Baste and quilt as desired. Sarah hand quilted *Big Things Grow* using Perle 8 cotton. Join the binding strips you cut using a 45 degree angle into one long strip, press and sew to the top of the quilt. Turn the binding to the back of the quilt and slip stitch in place using co-ordinating thread.



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