Thin Red Line
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Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Finished Quilt Size: 57” x 61”
Fabrics in the Thin Red Line Collection

Panel with Flag - Red
9318P-88
Panel with Fireman - Red
9319P-88
Dalmatian - White
9320-01
Dalmatian - Gray
9320-90

Fire Engines - Charcoal
9321-99
Maltese Cross - Red
9322-88
Stripe - Gray
9323-90
Fire Hose - Charcoal
9324-99

Bricks - Red
9325-88
Toile - Gray
9326-90
Flames - Red
9327-88
Words - White
9328-01

Select Fabrics from the Urban Legend Collection

Urban Legend - White
7101-01
Urban Legend - Red
7101-88
Urban Legend - Gray
7101-90
Urban Legend - Charcoal
7101-99
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Materials

- Panel with Flag - Red (A) 9318P-88
- Urban Legend - Charcoal (B) 7101-99
- Urban Legend - Gray (C) 7101-90
- Toile - Gray (D) 9326-90
- Dalmatian - White (E) 9320-01
- Urban Legend - White (F) 7101-01
- Bricks - Red (G) 9325-88
- Urban Legend - Red (H) 7101-88
- Dalmatian - Gray (I) 9320-90
- Fire Engines - Charcoal (J) 9321-99
- Maltese Cross - Red (Backing) 9322-88

*Includes binding

Cutting Instructions

Please note: all strips are cut across the width of fabric (WOF) from selvage to selvage edge unless otherwise noted.

From the Panel with Flag - Red (A), fussy cut:

- (1) 15” x 21 ½” panel centered on the helmet, flag and boots.
- (1) 20 ¼” x 11” panel centered on the flag.
- (3) 6 ½” blocks.

From the Urban Legend - Charcoal (B), cut:

- (2) 2” x 21 ½” WOF strips.
- (1) 2 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (2) 2 ½” x 18” strips.
- (2) 2” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (2) 2” x 23 ¼” strips and (2) 2” x 11” strips.
- (1) 2” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (2) 2” x 9 ½” strips and (2) 2” x 6 ½” strips.
- (1) 2 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (2) 2 ½” x 16 ½” strips.
- (2) 2 ½” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (4) 2 ½” x 20 ½” strips.
- (1) 2 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (2) 2 ½” x 12 ½” strips.

From the Urban Legend - Gray (C), cut:

- (1) 1 ¾” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (2) 1 ¾” x 13” strips.
- (2) 2 ¼” x 24 ½” WOF strips.
- (1) 2” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (4) 2” x 6 ½” strips.
- (1) 2” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (4) 2” x 9 ½” strips.
- (2) 2 ¼” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (27) 2 ¼” squares.

From the Toile - Gray (D), cut:

- (1) 16 ½” square.

From the Dalmatian - White (E), cut:

- (1) 12 ½” x 16 ½” WOF strip.

From the Urban Legend - White (F), cut:

- (2) 2 ¾” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (27) 2 ¾” squares.

From the Bricks - Red (G), cut:

- (2) 2” x 48 ¼” Length of Fabric (LOF) strips. (CUT FIRST)
- (2) 2” x 47 ½” WOF strips from the remaining fabric, piece as needed.
- (27) 2 ½” squares from the remaining fabric.

From the Urban Legend - Red (H), cut:

- (2) 2 ¾” x WOF strips. Sub-cut (27) 2 ¼” squares.
- (6) 2 ½” x WOF strips for the binding.

From the Dalmatian - Gray (I), cut:

- (3) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 5 ½” x 51 ½” strips.
- (3) 5 ½” x WOF strips. Sew the strips together end to end with diagonal seams and cut (2) 5 ½” x 47 ½” strips.

From the Fire Engines - Charcoal (J), cut:

- (1) 5 ½” x WOF strip. Sub-cut (4) 5 ½” squares.

From the Maltese Cross - Red (Backing), cut:

- (2) 65” x WOF strips for the backing. Sew the strips together and trim to make the 65” x 69” back.

Sewing Instructions

1. Sew (1) 2” x 21 ½” Fabric B strip to each side of the 15” x 21 ½” Fabric A helmet, flag and boots panel. Sew (1) 2 ½” x 18” Fabric B strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric A panel. Trim the block to measure 16 ½” x 24 ½” to make (1) Block One rectangle (Fig. 1).

2. Sew (1) 2” x 11” Fabric B strip to each side of the 20 ¼” x 11” flag Fabric A panel. Sew (1) 2” x 23 ¼” Fabric B strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric A panel. Trim the block to measure 22 ¼” x 13” to make (1) Unit 1 block (Fig. 2).
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3. Sew (1) 1 ¾” x 13” Fabric C strip to each side of the Unit 1 block. Sew (1) 2 ¼” x 24 ½” Fabric C strip to the top and to the bottom of the Unit 1 block to make (1) Block Two rectangle (Fig. 3).

4. Sew (1) 2” x 6 ½” Fabric B strip to each side of (1) 6 ½” Fabric A block. Sew (1) 2” x 9 ½” Fabric B strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric A block. Trim the block to measure 8 ½” square to make (1) Block Three square (Fig. 4).

5. Sew (1) 2” x 6 ½” Fabric C strip to each side of (1) 6 ½” Fabric A block. Sew (1) 2” x 9 ½” Fabric C strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric A block. Trim the block to measure 8 ½” square to make (1) Block Four square (Fig. 5). Repeat to make a second Block Four square.

6. Sew (1) 2 ½” x 16 ½” Fabric B strip to each side of (1) 16 ½” Fabric D square. Sew (1) 2 ½” x 20 ½” Fabric B strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric D square to make (1) Block Five square (Fig. 6).

7. Sew (1) 2 ½” x 12 ½” Fabric B strip to each side of the 16 ½” x 12 ½” Fabric E strip. Sew (1) 2 ½” x 20 ½” Fabric B strip to the top and to the bottom of the Fabric E strip to make (1) Block Six rectangle (Fig. 7).

8. Place (1) 2 ⅞” Fabric F square on top of (1) 2 ⅞” Fabric G square, right sides together. Draw a line across the diagonal of the top square from the upper left corner to the lower right corner (Fig. 8). Sew ¼” away from each side of the drawn diagonal line (Fig. 8). Cut the (2) squares apart on the drawn diagonal line (Fig. 9) to make (2) half-square triangles. Trim the blocks to measure 2 ½” square to make (2) Unit 2 blocks (Fig. 10). Repeat to make (54) Unit 2 blocks total.

9. Place (1) 2 ⅞” Fabric H square on top of (1) 2 ⅞” Fabric C square, right sides together. Draw a line across the diagonal of the top square from the upper right corner to the lower left corner (Fig. 11). Sew ¼” away from each side of the drawn diagonal line (Fig. 11). Cut the (2) squares apart on the drawn diagonal line (Fig. 12) to make (2) half-square triangles. Trim the blocks to measure 2 ½” square to make (2) Unit 3 blocks (Fig. 13). Repeat to make (54) Unit 3 blocks total.
10. Sew together (2) Unit 2 blocks and (2) Unit 3 blocks as shown in Figure 14 to make (1) Unit 4 block. Repeat to make (27) Unit 4 blocks total.

11. Sew (6) Unit 4 blocks together to make (1) Block Seven strip (Fig. 15). Repeat to make a second Block Seven strip.

12. Sew (5) Unit 4 blocks together to make (1) Block Eight strip (Fig. 16).

13. Sew (6) Unit 4 blocks together to make (1) Block Nine strip (Fig. 17).

14. Sew (4) Unit 4 blocks together to make (1) Block Ten strip (Fig. 18).

15. Sew (1) Block Nine strip to the right side of the Block One rectangle. Sew (1) Block Eight strip to the bottom of the Block One rectangle to make the Upper Left block.

16. Sew (1) Block Seven strip to the bottom of the Block Two rectangle. Sew (1) Block Four square to each side of the Block Three square. Sew this strip to the bottom of the Block Seven strip to the Upper Right block.

17. Sew (1) Block Ten strip to the left side of the Block Six rectangle. Sew (1) Block Seven strip to the top of the Block Six rectangle to make the Lower Right block.

18. Sew the Upper Left block to the left side of the Upper Right block to make the top row. Sew the Block Five square to the left side of the Lower Right block to make the bottom row. Sew the (2) rows together to make the Center Block.

19. Sew (1) 2” x 48 ½” Fabric G strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew (1) 2” x 47 ½” Fabric G strip to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block.

20. Sew (1) 5 ½” x 51 ½” Fabric I strip to each side of the Center Block. Sew (1) 5 ½” Fabric J square to each end of (1) 5 ½” x 47 ½” Fabric I strip. Repeat to make a second strip. Sew the strips to the top and to the bottom of the Center Block to make the quilt top.

21. Layer and quilt as desired.

22. Sew the (6) 2 ½” x WOF Fabric H strips together, end to end with 45-degree seams, to make the binding. Fold this long strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press.

23. Bind as desired.
Quilt Layout

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