## Fast Forward Quilt-Along Month 1

A modern quilt by Amanda Murphy for BERNINA.


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## Fast Forward Instructions

Fast Forward is a $52-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 66-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ two-sided modern quilt designed by Amanda Murphy to celebrate the BERNINA Q-Series!. It showcases her Cotton Shot fabrics for Benartex. In addition to the yardage for the version of your choice you will need:

- A $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ foot for piecing
- A ruler foot for quilting
- \#73 adjustable open-toe foot - optional
- A foot that can sew a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ seam allowance - optional
- Batting (I like Quilter's Dream-I used 1 layer bamboo and 1 layer wool for more loft)
- Quilting and piecing thread (I like Aurifil 50 wt.)
- The following Amanda Murphy Good Measure Quilting Templates: Every Ribbon Candy Set of 4, Every Circle, and Every Angle
- Good Measure 6-1/2" 6-1/2" Block Trimmer (AMSG02) - optional
- Good Measures 1/4" Measuring Gauge (GMAMBTS) - optional
- Good Measure Seam Ripper/Stiletto (AMSRS03) - optional
- Good Measure 4" Curved Snips (AM4CSBN) - optional

> TIP: Label your pieces as you
> cut them so they are easy to find when piecing!

## Cutting

Fabric A - Left Background: 2-1/4 yards
Cut 6 strips $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Subcut into 32 squares $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.
Cut 8 strips $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Subcut into:

- 6 rectangles $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 4 rectangles $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 52 squares $3-1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Fabric B - Right Background: 1-1/2 yards
Cut 1 strip $18-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Subcut into 1 rectangle $18-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 24-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. Cut the remainder of this strip into 1 square $12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.
Cut 4 strips 6-1/2" x WOF. Subcut into:

- 1 rectangle 6-1/2" $\times 18-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 1 rectangle 6-1/2" $\times 12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 14 squares $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Fabric C - Wide Zigzag: 1-1/4 yard
Cut 5 strips 6-1/2" x WOF. Subcut into:

- 11 rectangles $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 8-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 11 squares $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$


## Block Piecing

"WOF" refers to width of fabric. All seams are 1/4". Press all seams open, unless otherwise noted.
Note: We will be making extra half-square triangle units as we piece the blocks for Fast Forward. These will be used to make a pieced backing as well as a bonus project.

## Preparation

Draw a diagonal line on the WRONG side of:

- 27 Fabric A squares $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set the other 5 aside for quilt assembly.)
- 42 Fabric A squares $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set the other 10 aside for quilt assembly.)
- 11 Fabric B squares $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set the other 3 aside for quilt assembly.)
- All 11 Fabric C squares 6-1/2" $\times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.
- Both Fabric D squares 3-1/2" $\times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set these aside for quilt assembly.)
- Both Fabric E squares 3-1/2" $\times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set these aside for quilt assembly.)
- Both Fabric F squares 3-1/2" $\times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. (Set these aside for quilt assembly.)


## Large Flying Geese

Place a Fabric A square 6-1/2" $\times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the left side of a Fabric D rectangle $12-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown.
Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness. Sew another seam $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ away, closer to the unit's corner. Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.


Make 2 each of Fabrics D, E, F, and G

Place another Fabric A square 6-1/2" x $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the right sides of this unit, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ away, closer to the unit's corner. You can do this by either drawing a line and stitching along it, or by using a foot that can sew a $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ seam!
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.


Make 2 each of Fabrics D, E, F, and G
Repeat to make 2 Flying Geese units each with Fabrics D, E, F, and G.

## Small Flying Geese

Place a Fabric A square $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the left side of a Fabric D rectangle $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam 1/2" away, closer to the unit's corner.
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.


Make 5 each of Fabrics D, E, and F. Make 6 of Fabric G.

Place another Fabric A square $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the right sides of this unit, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ away, closer to the unit's corner.
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.


Repeat to make 5 Flying Geese units each with Fabrics D, E, and F. Make 6 with Fabric F.

## "Stitch-and-Flip" Zigzag Units

Following the diagrams on the right, place a Fabric C square 6-1/2" $\times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the left side of a Fabric D rectangle $8-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ away, closer to the unit's corner.
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have 1/4" trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.
Continuing to follow the diagrams on the right, place a Fabric B square $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the right side of these units, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam 1/2" away, closer to the unit's corner.
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.
Repeat to make the specified number of units.


Make 3


Make 8
"Stitch-and-Flip" Zigzag Units (continued)
Following the diagrams on the right, place a Fabric A square 6-1/2" $\times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ on the left side of a Fabric C rectangle $8-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, right sides together and orienting the diagonals as shown. Sew right along the drawn line, a hairline more toward the outer corners to allow for fabric thickness.
Sew another seam 1/2" away, closer to the unit's corner.
Cut the unit through both layers down the middle of the two seams. The resulting units will each have $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ trim lines. Place the smaller unit aside. Press the seam of the rectangular unit open.
Repeat to make the specified number of units.


Make 3


Make 8

## Extra Units

In the process of making the flying geese and stitch-and-flip blocks, you've made a lot of extra half-square triangle units - you should have what is in the diagram below. Press their seams open.

Trim the large half-square triangles to $5-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. We'll use these for the quilt's backing.
Trim the small half-square triangles to $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. We'll use these for the bonus project.


