

Quick Serger Gingham Picnic Quilt



This simple picnic quilt is the perfect project for beginner and seasoned sewists to dive into the world of quilting on a serger. With simple blocks, a touch of ruffle, and button tied quilting, anyone can create this perfectly timeless keepsake.

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

- Fabrics This pattern uses a medium, dark, and light fabric. I chose to add a pop of color with the red ruffle and a solid black backing.
 - o Dark Fabric (A) -1 1/8 yards

30 - 6 1/2" squares

○ Medium Fabric (B) – 1 7/8 yards

49 - 6 1/2" squares

○ Light Fabric (C) – 7/8 yards

20 – 6 ½" squares

Ruffle Fabric – ¾ yard

4 – 6" x WOF strips

o Backing Fabric – 3 ⅓ yards









- Batting 54 ½" x 66 ½" rectangle
- Baby Lock 4-Thread Overlock Serger
- 4 Cones White Serger Thread
- Baby Lock Lace Applicator Foot (Optional)
- Baby Lock Ruffler Foot
- 12 Coordinating Buttons
- Hand Sewing Needle
- Scissors

Instructions:

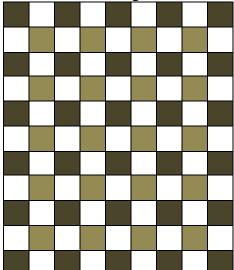
Quilt Top Assembly (size: 54 ½" x 66 ½")

1. Arrange the quilt 9 blocks across in the following pattern:

Row 1: A, B, A, B, A, B, A, B, A

Row 2: B, C, B, C, B, C, B, C, B

Continue this arrangement for 11 rows.



- 2. Set up serger for a 3- or 4- Thread Overlock Wide Stitch with white thread in the upper and lower loopers. Set your Stitch Length to 2.5 and Stitch Width to 6.5.
- 3. Attach the Lace Applicator Foot, set to a ¼" seam allowance.
- 4. With right sides together, stitch each row block together in each row.
 - Pro Tip: If chain piecing, sew a scrap piece of fabric between each row to keep organized.
- 5. Press each seam towards Medium (B) Fabric. This will allow nesting rows.
- 6. Serge each row together and press seams down.



Ruffle

- 1. Stitch (2) 6" x WOF strips together. Press. Make 2.
- 2. Press both strips in half, lengthwise, wrong sides together.
- 3. Attach the Ruffler Foot and set the Stitch Length to 4 and the Differential Feed to 2.
- 4. Insert the 6" strips under the foot and serge to ruffle.
- 5. Once ruffled, separate the needle threads from the looper threads and pull gently to create more ruffles.
- 6. Measure your ruffled strips against the top and bottom of the quilt top. You may continue pulling threads to create more ruffles, shortening the strip to fit, or trim a ¼" to either side of the quilt, fold, and topstitch to close the ruffle.



- 7. Pin or Quilt Clip the ruffle to top and bottom of the quilt with the ruffles facing in.
- 8. Attach the Standard Foot and return the Differential Feed to N.
- 9. Serge to attach ruffle to quilt top. Do not press open.
- 10. Tape corners of ruffle out of the seam allowance area.

Assembly

- 1. Measure quilt and use this measurement to cut backing and batting identical.
- 2. Piece two pieces of backing with serger. Press.
- 3. Lay out quilt top (right side up), backing (right side down), and batting consecutively.
- 4. Pin from inside out to prevent movement.
- 5. Serge around the edges, ensuring that you are catching all three layers, leaving a 12" opening to turn.
- 6. Turn quilt right sides out.
- 7. Remove tape from ruffle.
- 8. Press ruffles out towards the top and bottom of quilt.
- 9. Press entire quilt.

Finishing

- 1. Using a whip stitch, or your preferred closing stitch, close the opening for turning.
- 2. Lay out quilt and determine button placement.
- 3. Attach buttons with the Button Foot on a Baby Lock Sewing Machine or hand stitch to finish.
- 4. Fill your basket, head to your favorite spot, and enjoy your new Picnic Quilt with your favorite people!!

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