BEACH KIDS

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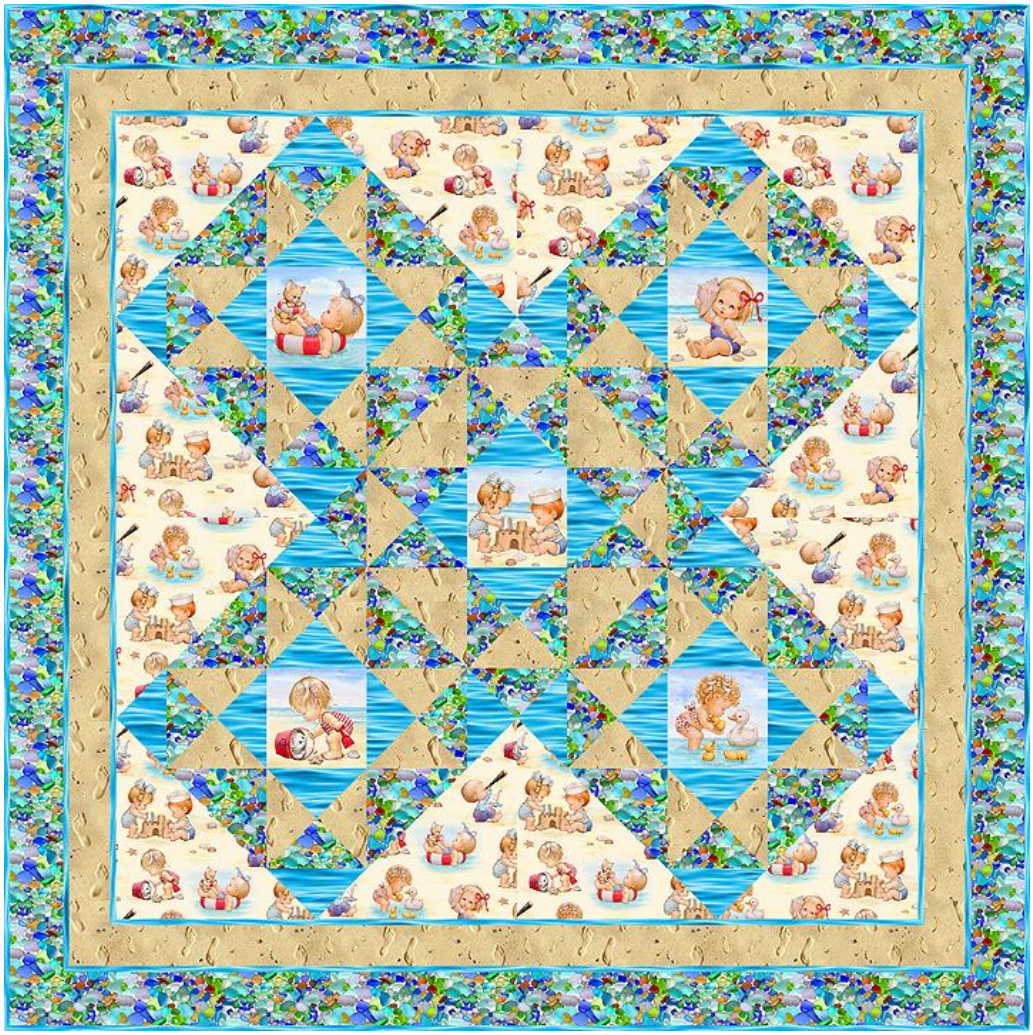

TIP: *Due to the directional nature of the water fabric, this block contains many bias edges.*

***AVOID STRETCHING THE FABRIC WHEN SEWING*

***HEAVY APPLICATION OF STARCH MAY BE HELPFUL*

*** WOF =width of fabric at 42”*

*** Use a 1/4” seam allowance for all stitching. Press all seams as directed.*

*** Skill level: intermediate*

***Please read all instructions before beginning.*

***Pre-washing recommended for hand dyes only. Pre-washing not recommended for other fabrics.*

FABRICS: *Beach Kids by Ami Moorhead* for Elizabeth’s Studio LLC

4123 Blue (Block panel)—1 panel
418 (Sand)—1 yard
456 Multi (Seaglass)—1-1/4 yard
365 Blue (Water)— 1-1/4 yard (includes binding)
4124 Cream (Overall)—1 yard
Backing fabric— 2 yards wide quilt backing or 4 yards 42” fabric.
Batting 70-1/2” x 70-1/2”

CUTTING DIRECTIONS:

4123 Blue (Block Panel): Fussy cut (5) 5-3/4” squares, centering the motifs.

418 (Sand): Cut (5) 2-3/4” strips for border, set aside. Cut (2) 4-1/2” x WOF strips, cross cut into (18) 4-1/2” squares. From remaining fabric, cut (1) 8-5/8” square.

456 Multi (Seaglass): Cut (6) 3-1/4” x WOF strips for outer border, set aside. Cut (2) 4-1/2” x WOF strips, cross cut into (12) 4-1/2” squares. From remaining fabric, cut (4) 8-5/8” squares.

365 Blue (Water): Cut (2) 6-1/2” x WOF strips, cross cut into (10) 6-1/2” squares. Cut (9) 1” x WOF for borders, set aside. Cut (6) 2-1/2” x WOF strips, set aside for binding.

4124 Cream (Overall): Cut (1) 11-3/8” x WOF strips, and cut into (2) 11-3/8” squares. Cut (1) 22-1/4” x 22-1/4” square from remainder.

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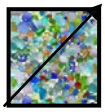
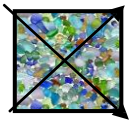
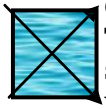
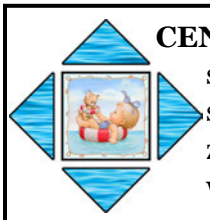
MAKING THE STAR BLOCKS: (make 4)



CUT HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES: Cut (18) 4-1/2" sand squares and (12) 4-1/2" sea-glass squares diagonally once.

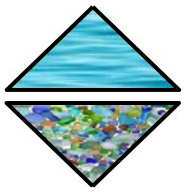



CUT QUARTER SQUARE TRIANGLES: Cut (4) 8-5/8" seaglass squares and (10) 6-1/2" water squares diagonally twice.



CENTER (make 4): Add quarter square triangle of water fabric to each side of 5-3/4" blocks. Maintain horizontal orientation of water. Press to water fabric.

STAR POINTS (make 16): Add half square triangle sand fabric to each side of quarter square seaglass fabric. Press to sand fabric.



CORNER SQUARES (make 16): Sew together quarter square of water fabric and half square seaglass fabric along long edges. Press to water fabric.

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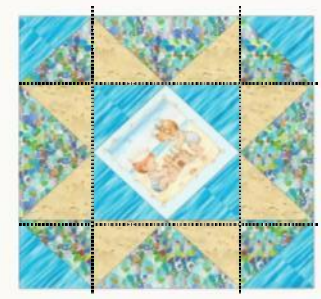
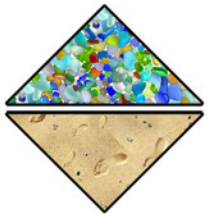


COMPLETE BLOCKS: Sew together in columns, then rows to complete (4) blocks. Be sure to maintain orientation of center block and water fabric in corners.

CENTER STAR SQUARE (make 1):

Repeating steps above, make:

(4) sand quarter square triangle / seaglass half square triangle segments (press to seaglass)



(4) half square sand / half square seaglass corner squares (press to seaglass)

(1) center block / quarter square water segments (press to water).

Assemble as for star blocks, follow block diagram above.

ASSEMBLING CENTER PANEL:

Top and Side Setting triangles: Cut 22-1/4" overall fabric squares diagonally twice to form side and top setting quarter square triangles.

Corner triangles: Cut 11-3/8" overall squares diagonally once to form corner triangles. Be sure to cut one square at a time in opposite directions.

Following diagram for placement, and maintaining orientation of blocks and triangles, sew together in rows, then sew rows together to form center panel. Center panel should measure 42-1/2" x 42-1/2". (Press away from blocks.)

BORDERS:

Sew the (9) 1" x WOF Blue (water) strips together. (Press in one direction.) Cut (2) 1" x 42-1/2" for left and right sides first border and sew to center panel. (Press toward border.) Cut (2) 43-1/2" x 1"strips for top and bottom first border, sew to top and bottom of center panel. (Press toward the border.) Cut (2) 1" x 48" strips, and (2) 49" x 1" strips and set aside for later.

Sew the (5) 2-3/4" x WOF Sand strips together at short ends. (Press in one direction.) Cut (2) 2-3/4" x 43-1/2" strips and sew to the left and right sides of the center panel. Cut (2) 48" x 2-3/4" and sew to the top and bottom of the center panel. (Press toward the first border.)

Sew the (2) 1" x 48" strips Blue (water) strips to the left and right sides of the quilt center. (Press toward new border.) Stitch the (2) 49" x 1" Blue (water) strips to the top and bottom of the quilt center. (Press toward new border.) Quilt center should now measure 49" square.

Sew (6) 3-1/4" x WOF strips Multi (seaglass) together at short ends. Cut (2) 3-1/4" x 49" strips and sew to the left and right sides of the quilt center. (Press toward new border.) Cut (2) 54-1/2" x 3-1/4" strips and sew to top and bottom of center panel. Quilt top should measure 54-1/2" x 54-1/2".

FINISHING QUILT:

You may use a 2 yards piece of wide backing. Or if using 42" to 44" wide fabric, cut (2) backing pieces at 2 yards by WOF. Sew the SELVAGE edges together using a 1" seam then trim the selvedge off. (Press to one side.) Orient the seam appropriately for design in fabric. Trim quilt backing piece, and trim to 70-1/2" by 70-1/2".

Layer with batting and backing fabric, quilt as desired. Sew the (6) 2-1/2" binding strips sewn together at short ends (press in one direction). Fold in half lengthwise and bind quilt using your favorite method.