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Giving Season

A festive pillow to brighten up any holiday space

Finished pillow: 16½" x 16½"

MATERIALS NEEDED

| 1 mini charm pack | (38 squares 2½" x 2½") |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| % yard | charcoal fabric (#9900 284) |
| (1) square 10" x 10" | white fabric (#9900 98) |
| % yard | pillow backing fabric |
| 20" x 20" | batting |
| 18" x 18" | pillow form |

Fabric is *Christmas Eve* by *Lella Boutique* for Moda Fabrics + Moda Bella Solids #9900 284 "Charcoal" and #9900 98 "White Bleached."



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CUTTING DIRECTIONS



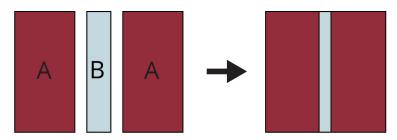
- 1. <u>Designate (25) mini charm squares 2½" x 2½" for gift boxes.</u> To each square: Cut in half to yield (2) A rectangles 1½" x 2½" per print. Keep organized in matching pairs (25) pairs total.
- 2. <u>Designate (13) mini charm squares 2½" x 2½" for ribbons/bows</u>. To each square, subcut the following:
 - · (1) B rectangle 1" x 21/2"
 - · (2) C squares 1" x 1"
- 3. <u>To the white fabric (more ribbons/bows), cut the following:</u>
 - · (12) B rectangle 1" x 21/2"
 - · (24) C squares 1" x 1"
- 4. <u>To the charcoal background fabric, cut the following:</u>
 - · (1) strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF". Subcut (6) D squares $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". From the remnant, cut (2) E rectangles 2" x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " and (3) F rectangles 1" x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".
 - \cdot (1) strip 2½" x WOF". Subcut (16) E rectangles 2" x 2½". Add to the others to get (18) E total.
 - \cdot (1) strip 2" x WOF". Subcut (2) G rectangles 2" x 15".
 - \cdot (1) strip 1¾" x WOF". Subcut (2) H rectangles 1¾" x 17½". From the remnants, cut (10) J squares 1" x 1".
 - · (1) strip 1" x WOF". Subcut (25) I rectangles 1" x 1½".
 - \cdot (1) strips 1" x WOF". Subcut (40) J squares 1" x 1". Add to the others to get (50) J squares total.
- 5. <u>To the pillow backing fabric</u>, cut (2) K rectangles 11" x 17½".



BLOCK ASSEMBLY



- *Assume ¼" seam allowance for block piecing
- *RST means right sides together
- *Press the seam toward the darker print
- 5. To make 1 gift block, gather the following:
 - (2) matching A rectangles 11/4" x 21/2" print #1
 - (1) B rectangle 1" x 21/2" print #2
 - (2) C squares 1" x 1" print #2
 - (1) I rectangle 1" x 1½" background print
 - (1) J squares 1" x 1" background print
- 6. Sew into a row: (2) matching A rectangles 1¼"x 2½" of print #1 with (1) B rectangle 1" x 2½" of print #2 in between. Press. Unfinished unit should measure 2½" x 2½".



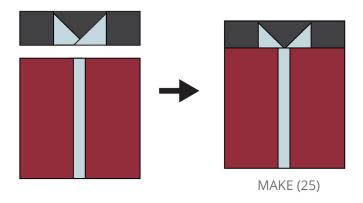
7. Mark a diagonal line on the back of (2) C squares 1" x 1" of print #2. Bring (1) marked C square RST with (1) I background rectangle 1" x 1½". Sew along the marked line,trim ¼" seam allowance, and press. Repeat to add (1) marked C square RST to the opposite side, orienting the marked line to mirror the other. Sew along the marked line, trim ¼" seam allowance, and press. Unfinished unit should measure 1" x 1½".



8. Sew (2) J background squares 1" \times 1" to the sides of the unit from Step #7. Press. Unfinished unit should measure 1" \times 2½".



9. Sew (1) bow unit from Step #8 to the top of (1) gift box unit from Step #6. Press away from the bow unit. Unfinished unit should measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3". Make (25).





QUILT-TOP ASSEMBLY



10. Arrange (25) units from Step #9, (6) D background squares $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ", and (18) E background rectangles into columns as shown. Sew the units into columns and press. Sew the columns together; press. Should measure $14\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15".



11. Sew (2) G background rectangles $2'' \times 15''$ to the sides of the unit from Step #20. Press. Pillow-top should measure $15'' \times 17\%''$.

Sew (2) H background rectangles $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $17\frac{1}{2}$ " to the top and bottom of the unit from Step #11. Press. Pillow-top should measure $17\frac{1}{2}$ " x $17\frac{1}{2}$ ".

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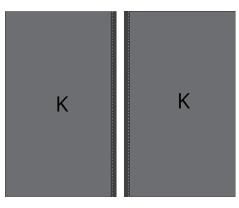
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FINISHING THE PILLOW



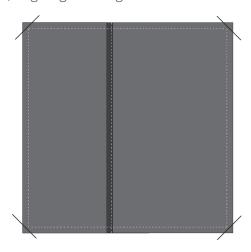
- 12. Baste the unit from Step #11 to the batting and quilt as desired. (For a project this small, I typically insert safety pins throughout. I quilted straight lines ¼" apart.)
- 13. To create an envelope opening for the pillow back, gather the (2) K rectangles 11" x 17½" of pillow backing fabric. To each rectangle: fold one 17½" side under ¼" (wrong sides together) and press in place. Fold it under again to hide the raw edge and press in place again. Topstitch



along the folded edges to give it a nice, finished look.

14. Arrange (2) K rectangles from Step #13 RST with the pillow-top from Step #11, aligning raw edges so the

"finished" sides of each K rectangle overlaps the center. Pin in place and sew ½" around the perimeter. (This is the only time to use ½" seam allowance.) Clip the corners taking care to not cut into the actual seam.



15. Turn the pillow right-side out through the envelope opening and insert the 18"x 18" pillow form. (It's intentionally a little bigger for a nice and full pillow.