



Charm Pack Baby Quilt

From BubbaChic

What You'll Need:

Pack 36 charm squares; my quilt is made from the Wee Play charm pack by Moda

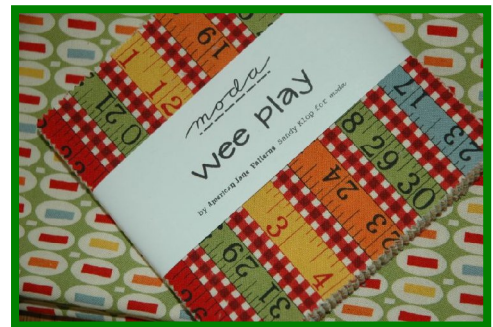
White Border and backing Fabric – 2.5 yards

Patterned Border Fabric – ½ yard

Quilt batting – 46” or 1 3/8 yard

Step 1: Cut White borders

Cut white fabric into 3” strips – initially cut 7 strips of white – if you need one more you will know once you start arranging the quilt.



Step 2: Arrange your charm squares

Time to play! I arranged my charm pack 6 squares across, bordered by white fabric, then 2 rows of 6 squares, bordered with white fabric and one last row of single squares. You could do alternating rows of charm squares and white borders to make the quilt slightly longer. Play around with the design, laying it all out until you are happy. If you are short on white borders you will know now, so cut another strip if you need to and leave the rest of the fabric for the backing.

Step 3: Sew together the charm squares.

Using a ¼” seam allowance, sew together the charm squares to create all of the separate rows

Step 4: Iron Iron Iron!

Once all the charm square rows are ready, iron the back of them to press down the seam allowances in the same direction.

Step 5: Attach the white borders between rows

Using a ¼” seam allowance, attach the white borders onto the charm rows, right sides together – iron all seam allowances to lay flat.

Step 6: Attach outside white border

Attach the outside border in the following order: sew the two longer outside pieces first, iron all seam allowances and then attach the final 2 top border pieces.

Step 7: Attach patterned border

Using the same method as above, attach the 2 longer side borders first to the white border, right sides together, then finally the two shorter top pieces – iron all seam allowances to lay flat.

Step 8: Cutting the batting and backing

This next step really makes the quilt start looking and feeling like a quilt! You will need to have the backing fabric ready – so ensure it is ironed flat and lay the quilt top on top of it – you will use this as your guide for how big it needs to be. Cut around the quilt top, ensuring you leave a 1.5” seam around the outside. Once you have the backing ready, cut out the batting in the same manner, using the backing fabric as a guide for the size of the batting. Ensure that the batting is flat also.

Step 9: Pin Basting the quilt together

With all of the layers now cut and ironed. Lay the fabrics down in the following order. Backing fabric wrong side facing up, batting fabric on top, quilt top on batting right side facing up. It is crucial at this stage to ensure that the fabrics and the backing are flat and wrinkle free. You can then use quilting pins or safety pins to go through all

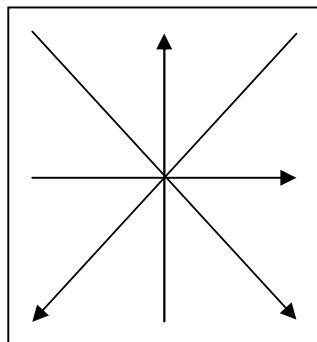
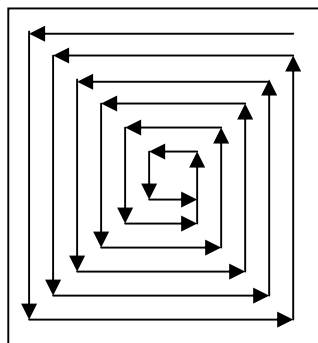
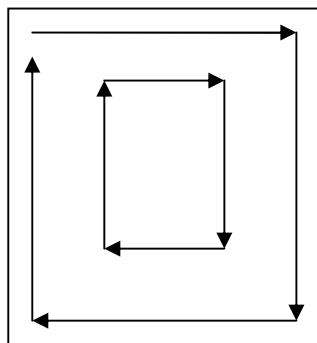
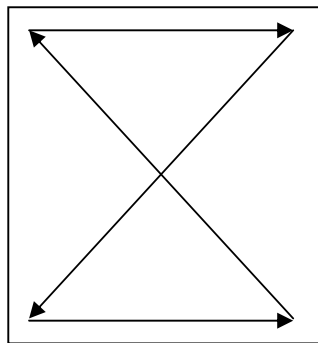
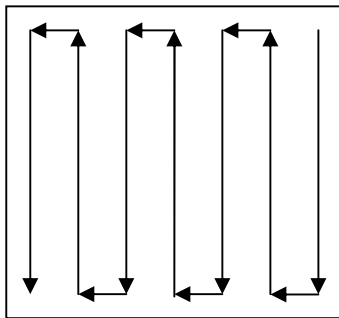
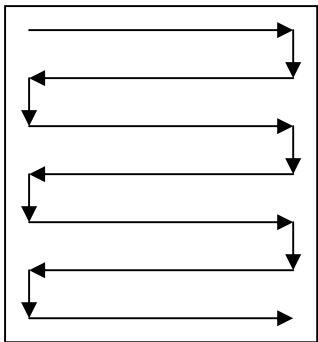
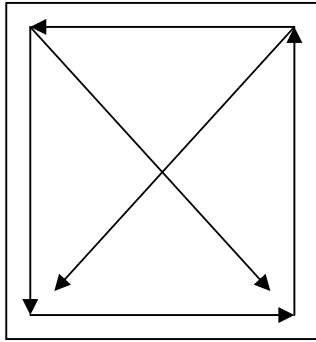
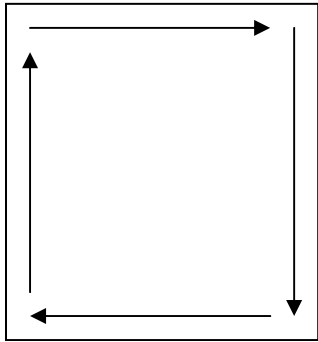
the layers and hold the quilt together. I usually space the pins apart by about 6 inches squared on a smaller quilt like this one.

Step 10: Quilt it!

I designed the quilting on this quilt to be very easy to do for a beginner and to be able to accomplish it on any basic machine. The quilting mimics the square designs on the quilt.



Each square is quilted individually in a different style from the last. The following page illustrates the designs I used to quilt the individual squares – play with the designs and have fun!



Step 11: Keep on quilting!

After I had individually quilted each block, I then used a straight stitch to sew a couple of straight lines up every white border and all around the patterned border. There are no hard and fast rules to what to do on these or how many lines you need – just play until you are happy.

Step 12: Neaten and bind!

When the quilting is finished, cut down the quilts layers to make a neat edge – ready for your binding, the exciting final step. Binding is one of those things that I used to feel really daunted by but having done it once, I knew how relaxing and wonderful hand sewing the final step can be – I have done a step by step photo tutorial for the binding to take you by the hand and guide you through this last finishing touch!

[Binding a quilt tutorial](#)