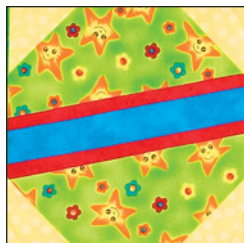


Easy
Crib: 37" x 37"
Finished Block: 6"



Play Ball!

Kick 'em, throw 'em or hit 'em, but please join the fun



materials

- Assorted Bright Prints**
1 yard *total* for blocks
- Yellow Tone-on-Tone**
 $\frac{3}{4}$ yard for blocks and setting squares
- Green Print**
 $\frac{5}{8}$ yard for border
- Blue Print**
 $\frac{1}{2}$ yard for binding
- Backing** $1\frac{1}{3}$ yards
- Batting** 41" x 41"

cutting

- Yellow Tone-on-Tone**
12 squares (A) 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
- Green Print**
2 strips 4" x 33" for border sides
2 strips 4" x 40" for border top/bottom
- Blue Print**
5 strips 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 40" for binding
- Backing**
1 panel 41" x 41"

Designed by Theresa Eisinger. Made by Mickie Swall. Fabric: Moda Fabrics. Batting: The Warm Company. Thread: Coats & Clark. Model: Jaz Tipton.

This is the eighth pattern *QUILTMAKER* has published in support of Project Linus, an organization that provides handmade blankets for seriously ill or traumatized children. Balls play a happy part in childhood for boys and girls in every culture and in every time period, so have fun making yours as creatively as you please. Learn more about Project Linus at projectlinus.org or by writing to Project Linus, P.O. Box 5621, Bloomington, IL 61702-5621.

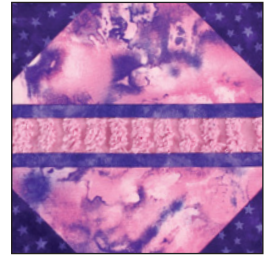
Everyone is invited to contribute to this worthwhile project in any of these ways:

- By January 29, 2007, make and send row 1's and/or row 2's, with all foundation papers removed please, to *QUILTMAKER* Project Linus, 741 Corporate Circle, Suite A, Golden, CO 80401. Local quilters will meet and sew them into crib quilts.
- Take blocks or rows to a local chapter near you and help sew them into quilts on Make-A-Blanket Day, February 17, 2007.
- Make a quilt and send it to a Project Linus chapter or to *QUILTMAKER* by March 30, 2007, for local distribution.

Please let others know that the complete pattern for *Play Ball* is available

at quiltmaker.com/patterns. All seven of the Project Linus patterns from years past are posted there as well.

This year's design was created by Theresa Eisinger, *QM* Graphic Artist and mom to four boys. She's spent her fair share of time at ball games.

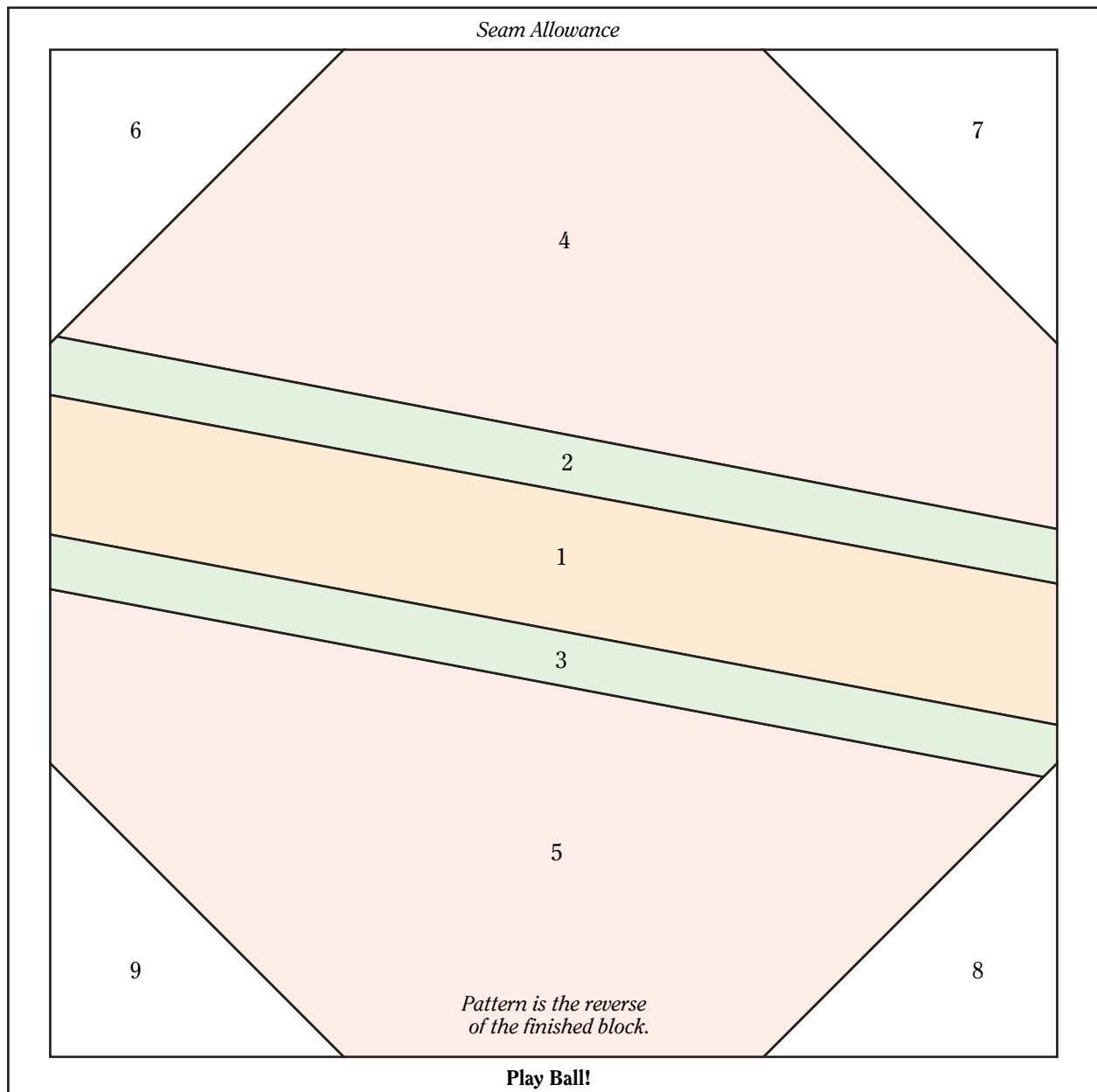


Sewn by Mickie Swall.
Fabric: Moda Fabrics.

color option

Tumbling Texture. Tactile stimulation for wee folks is the result when chenille is used for one of the ball stripes in this version. We used the alternate block on this variation.

Diane Harris • *QM* Associate Editor

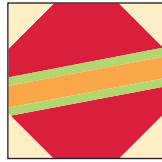


1 Making the Quilt Center

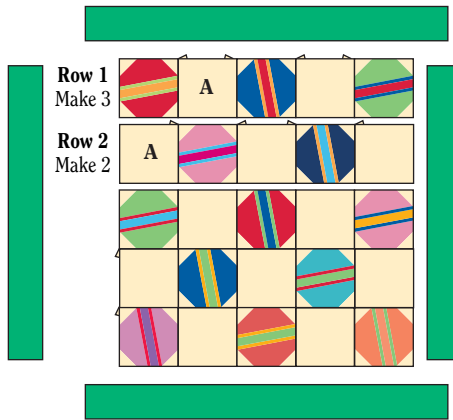
Make a total of 13 paper copies of the block foundation.

Foundation piece each ball in numerical order, pressing and trimming after each patch addition.

Join the blocks and the A patches into row 1's and row 2's. Remove the foundation papers. Sew the rows together as shown.



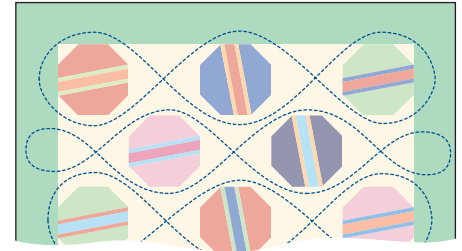
Block
Make 13



Assembly

3 Quilting and Finishing

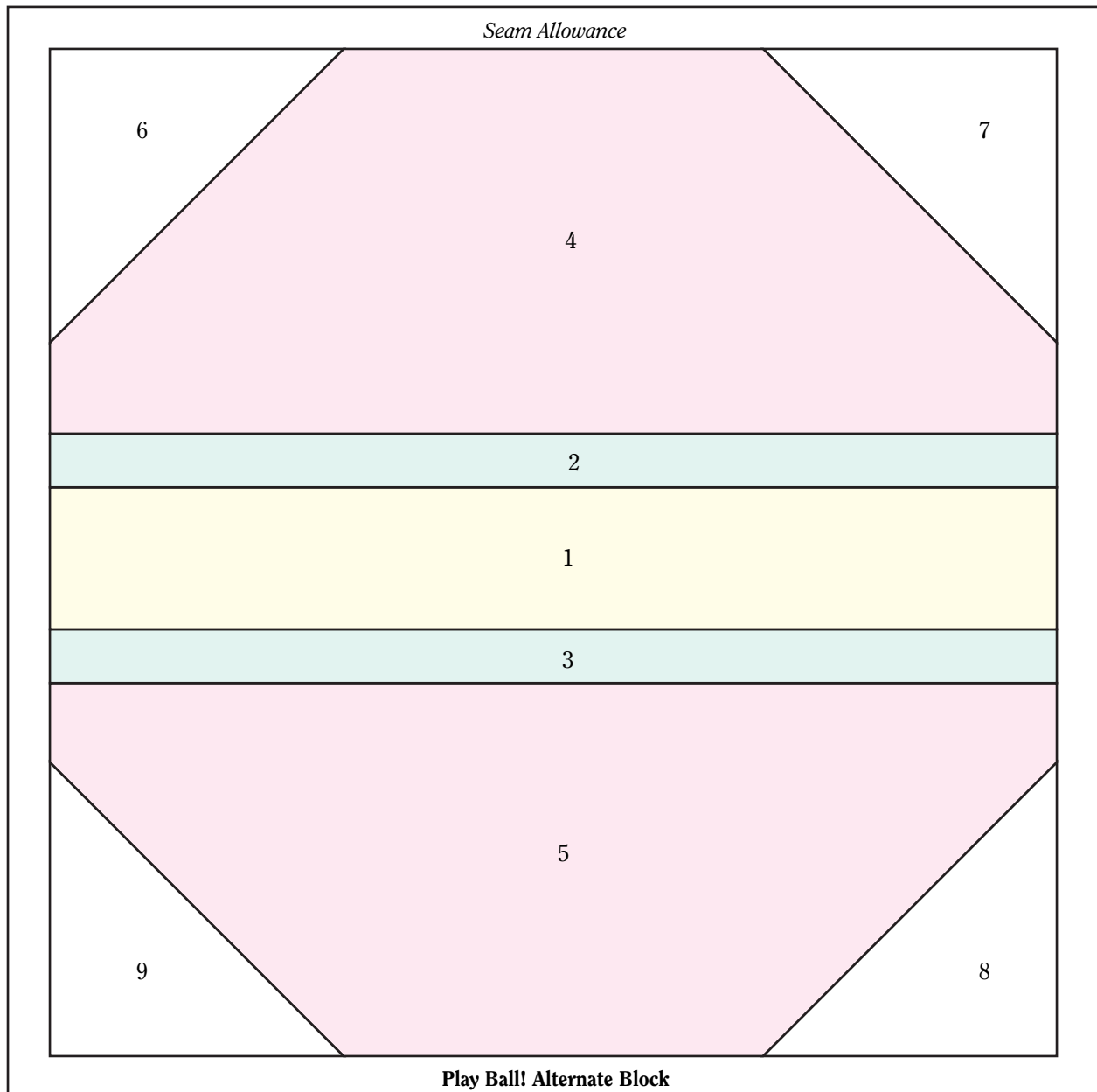
Layer and baste together the backing, batting and quilt top. Quilt large continuous figure 8's over the quilt as shown. Bind the quilt. ■



Quilting Placement

2 Adding the Borders

Sew the border side strips to the quilt and trim any extra length. Add the top and bottom border strips in the same way.



Play Ball! Alternate Block