



FREE DUVET PATTERN

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Fabrics designed by Amy Butler for Rowan.
All prints are from Amy's August Fields Collection.
The solids are from Amy's Decorator Solids Collection.

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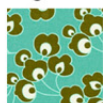
Finished sizes:

Twin - 67 1/2" wide x 86 1/8" long
Full/Queen - 86" wide x 90 1/4" long
King - 103 1/2" wide x 90 1/4" long

Amy's fabrics used in this Duvet Cover

Fabrics used for the pieced Strips

hdabs14
bright buds



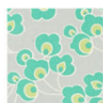
aqua



moss



celery



grey

hdabs10
sunrise



seafoam

hdabs12
fresh start



spruce



forest



moss



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forest

hdabs09
knot garden



grey



olive



slate

hdabs11
graceful vine



moss



spruce

hdabs13
coreopsis

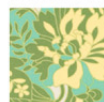


spruce



green

hdabs15
full bloom



moss

hdabs16
modern love



grey

Fabric for plain Strips

hdabs18
Decorator Solids



mint

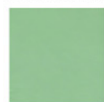
for Back of the Cover

hdabs13
coreopsis



green

hdabs18
Decorator Solids



jade

NOTES: All seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise stated.

Before you get started, please read through all of the instructions. Preshrink your fabric by washing, drying and pressing it.

TIP: Make a small diagonal clip in the corners of each of the fabrics before washing to help prevent fraying and tangling.



August Fields Duvet Cover (Front)

Materials List

For Twin size

From 54" wide mid-weight Home Dec fabric:

- 3/8 yard of 19 different prints for the pieced Strips
- 2 yards of a coordinating solid for the plain Strips
- 2 yards of a coordinating print for 6 Strips on the Back
- 2 yards of a second coordinating solid for 5 Strips on the Back

PLUS

- 5 (size 3/4") flat buttons
- 1 1/2 yards of a coordinating 1/4" wide ribbon
- 2 large spools of coordinating all-purpose thread (we use Coats Dual Duty XP®)

For Full/Queen size

From 54" wide mid-weight Home Dec fabric:

- 3/8 yard of 19 different prints for the pieced Strips
- 2 1/2 yards of a coordinating solid for the plain Strips
- 2 1/2 yards of a coordinating print for 6 Strips on the Back
- 2 1/2 yards of a second coordinating solid for 5 Strips on the Back

PLUS

- 7 (size 3/4") flat buttons
- 1 1/2 yards of a coordinating 1/4" wide ribbon
- 2 large spools of coordinating all-purpose thread (we use Coats Dual Duty XP®)

For King size

From 54" wide mid-weight Home Dec fabric:

- 3/8 yard of 19 different prints for the pieced Strips
- 3 yards of a coordinating solid for the plain Strips
- 3 yards of a coordinating print for 6 Strips on the Back
- 3 yards of a second coordinating solid for 5 Strips on the Back

PLUS

- 8 (size 3/4") flat buttons
- 1 1/2 yards of a coordinating 1/4" wide ribbon
- 2 large spools of coordinating all-purpose thread (we use Coats Dual Duty XP®)

Tools Needed

- Ruler/rotary ruler
- Straight pins
- Scissors
- Pencil or fabric marker
- Hand sewing needle
- Turning tool (such as a closed pair of scissors)
- Rotary cutter and mat
- Measuring tape
- Safety pins (large size)
- Iron and ironing board
- Seam ripper

TIP: It is helpful to go through the instructions first and highlight the size Duvet Cover you are making.

Step 1.

CUT OUT THE FABRIC PIECES

NOTE: First you will cut strips along the crosswise grain from each of the fabric prints. Then from each of the Strips you will cut different size pieces. More pieces will be cut than needed to allow a larger variety when piecing the Strips.

From each of the 19 (3/8 yard) cuts of fabric:

- Cut 1 Strip - Twin size - 8 3/8" long by the width of the fabric
- Full/Queen & King - 8 3/4" long by the width of the fabric

For the Twin size

From 10 of the 8 3/8" Strips:

- Cut 1 6"
- Cut 1 10"
- Cut 1 15"

From 9 of the 8 3/8" Strips:

- Cut 1 8"
- Cut 1 12"

For the Full / Queen size

From 10 of the 8 3/4" Strips:

- Cut 1 6"
- Cut 1 10"
- Cut 1 15"

From 9 of the 8 3/4" Strips:

- Cut 1 8"
- Cut 1 12"
- Cut 1 15"

For the King size

From 10 of the 8 3/4" Strips:

- Cut 1 10"
- Cut 1 15"
- Cut 1 18"

From 9 of the 8 3/4" Strips:

- Cut 1 8"
- Cut 1 12"
- Cut 1 15"

From the solid fabric for the plain Strips:

- Cut 5 Strips - Twin size - 8 3/8" wide x 68 1/2" long
- Full/Queen - 8 3/4" wide x 87" long
- King size - 8 3/4" wide x 104 1/2" long

From the print Back fabric:

- Cut 6 Strips - Twin size - 8 3/8" wide x 68 1/2" long
- Full/Queen - 8 3/4" wide x 87" long
- King size - 8 3/4" wide x 104 1/2" long

From the solid Back fabric:

- Cut 5 Strips - Twin size - 8 3/8" wide x 68 1/2" long
- Full/Queen - 8 3/4" wide x 87" long
- King size - 8 3/4" wide x 104 1/2" long

- Cut 2 Flaps - Twin size - 5" wide x 68 1/2" long
- Full/Queen - 5" wide x 87" long
- King size - 5" wide x 104 1/2" long

From the ribbon:

- Cut 2 27" pieces

Step 2.

MAKE THE PIECED STRIPS

NOTE: Randomly choose pieces varying in width and color to create a unique look.

A. On a large flat surface lay out your pieces in an order that is pleasing to you. Layout your pieces to make 6 Strips measuring at least: 68 1/2" long (for Twin), 87" long (for Full / Queen), or 104 1/2" long (for King).

B. Then place the first 2 pieces for the first Strip **RIGHT** sides together matching one of the 8 3/8" edges (for Twin size) or 8 3/4" edges (for Full / Queen or King sizes) and pin in place. Stitch a 1/4" seam across the pinned edges and backstitch at each end. Press the seam allowances to one side.

C. Repeat Step 2B to attach the third piece to the opposite edge of the second. Continue this process until you have attached all the pieces to make the first Strip.

D. Repeat Steps 2B and 2C to make 5 more pieced Strips.

E. Using your rotary cutter, mat and ruler, measure and trim each pieced Strip to the correct length for the size cover you are making. 68 1/2" long for Twin, 87" long for Full / Queen or 104 1/2" long for King size.

Step 3.

MAKE THE FRONT PANEL

A. On a large flat surface, lay out the pieced and solid Strips, alternating the prints and solids to form a striped design.

B. Then place the first pieced and solid Strips **RIGHT** sides together matching the long edge and pin them in place. Stitch a 1/4" seam across the pinned edges and backstitch at each end. Press the seam allowance to one side.

Layout for the Front Panel

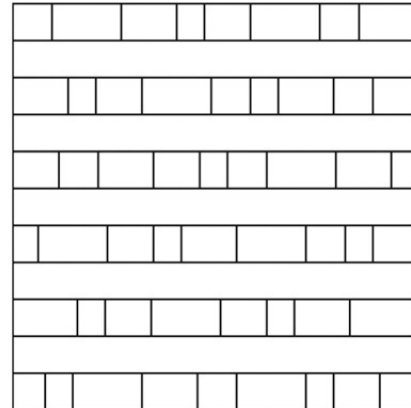


Illustration shown for Full / Queen size

C. Repeat to attach the next pieced Strip to the other long edge of the solid. Continue this process until all the Strips are attached. Press all the seam allowances in the same direction.

Step 4.

MAKE THE BACK PANEL

A. Repeat Steps 3A through 3C to attach the Back Strips alternating the prints and solids.

Step 5.

MAKE THE FLAPS WITH BUTTON CLOSURE

A. Fold the first Flap in half lengthwise with **WRONG** sides together matching the long edges and press a crease along the folded edge. Pin and then machine baste a 1/4" from the matched edges.

To machine baste, use the longest stitch on your machine, so you can easily remove the basting stitches later, if needed. Do not backstitch at the end of your stitching.

B. Next, fold the Flap in half lengthwise again and gently press along the folded edge to mark the center of the Flap for the buttonhole placements. Open the Flap.

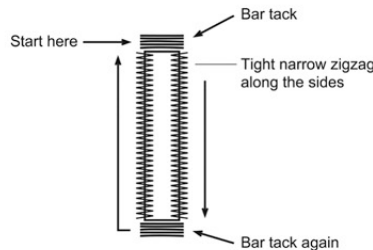
C. Mark the Buttonholes: Measure 12 1/2" in from each short edge and make a mark. Starting at the left mark, measure and mark the following increments for the buttonhole placement along the center crease:

Twin: 7 1/4", 14 1/2", 21 3/4", 29" and 36 1/4"
Full/Queen: 7 3/4", 15 1/2", 23 1/4", 31, 38 3/4", 46 1/2"
and 54 1/4"
King: 9", 17 3/4", 26 1/2", 35 1/4", 44", 52 3/4", 61 1/2"
and 70 1/2"

D. To make guidelines for creating the buttonholes, draw a vertical 3/4" line over each buttonhole mark.

E. Sew each buttonhole following the guidelines. If your sewing machine doesn't have a buttonhole stitch follow the directions below.

To make a buttonhole, use the zigzag setting on your sewing machine and bar tack (this means using the widest stitch and sewing a few times in place) at the top of the marked buttonhole. Then reset your zigzag stitch to a tight narrow stitch and sew down the first side of the marked buttonhole. Bar tack again across the bottom and then reset to the narrow setting and stitch up the other side stopping at the top bar tack. Set your stitch to zero and sew a couple times in place to "lock" the stitches in place and finish the buttonhole. Carefully cut the inside of the buttonhole open with your seam ripper.



F. Repeat Steps 5A through 5C to mark the placement for the buttons on the second Flap.

G. Hand stitch the buttons in place, one at each of the placement marks.

Step 6.

ATTACH THE FLAPS TO THE FRONT AND BACK PANELS

NOTE: The Front Flap with the buttons and the Back Flap with the buttonholes will hang down from the top edge of each Panel inside the finished Duvet Cover.

A. Place the long edge of the Front Flap and the top edge of the Front Panel **RIGHT** sides together and pin them in place. Stitch a 1/2" seam across the pinned edges and backstitch at each end.

B. Flip the Flap over to the **WRONG** side of the Front Panel and press it flat. Topstitch a 1/4" seam along the top finished edge and backstitch at each end.

C. Then machine baste the short side edges of the Flap to the **WRONG** side of the Front Panel.

D. Next, measure and mark 12 1/2" in from each side edge along the top finished edge of the Panel (marks will be used in Step 8C).

E. Repeat Steps 6A through 6D to attach the Back Flap to the top edge of the Back Panel.

Step 7.

MAKE THE DUVET COVER

A. Place the Front and Back Panels **RIGHT** sides together matching all of the edges. Pin the side and bottom edges in place. Stitch a 1/2" seam down both sides and across the bottom edges. Backstitch at each end.

B. Serge or sew a zigzag stitch around the side and bottom raw edges.

Step 8.

ATTACH THE RIBBONS AND FINISH THE COVER

NOTE: The ribbons will be attached to the bottom corners inside the Duvet Cover. They will be used to keep your comforter in place.

TIP: If your comforter insert does not have loops, then shake away the stuffing and twist the empty corner. The ribbon can be tied around the corner.

A. Fold your first ribbon in half and place a straight pin to mark the center. Then place the ribbon center on the stitching line at the first bottom corner and pin it in place. Stitch across the center of the ribbon a few times. Repeat to attach the second ribbon to the other bottom corner.

B. Turn the cover **RIGHT** side out using a turning tool (such as a closed pair of scissors) to push out the corners and press along all finished edges.

C. Match the top edges and pin them together. Then starting at the first 12 1/2" mark you made in Step 6D, stitch over the original topstitching, stopping 1/4" from the first corner. Pivot at the corner and continue stitching down the side. Pivot again at the next corner and continue this process to topstitch all the way around the cover. Stop at the other 12 1/2" mark on the top edge and backstitch at each end. Leave the edge unstitched between the 2 marks to insert your comforter.

Tie the ribbons on your Duvet cover to each of the bottom corners of your comforter insert. Then slip the cover over your comforter and button the top closed.

Nice job! Your Duvet Cover is complete.

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