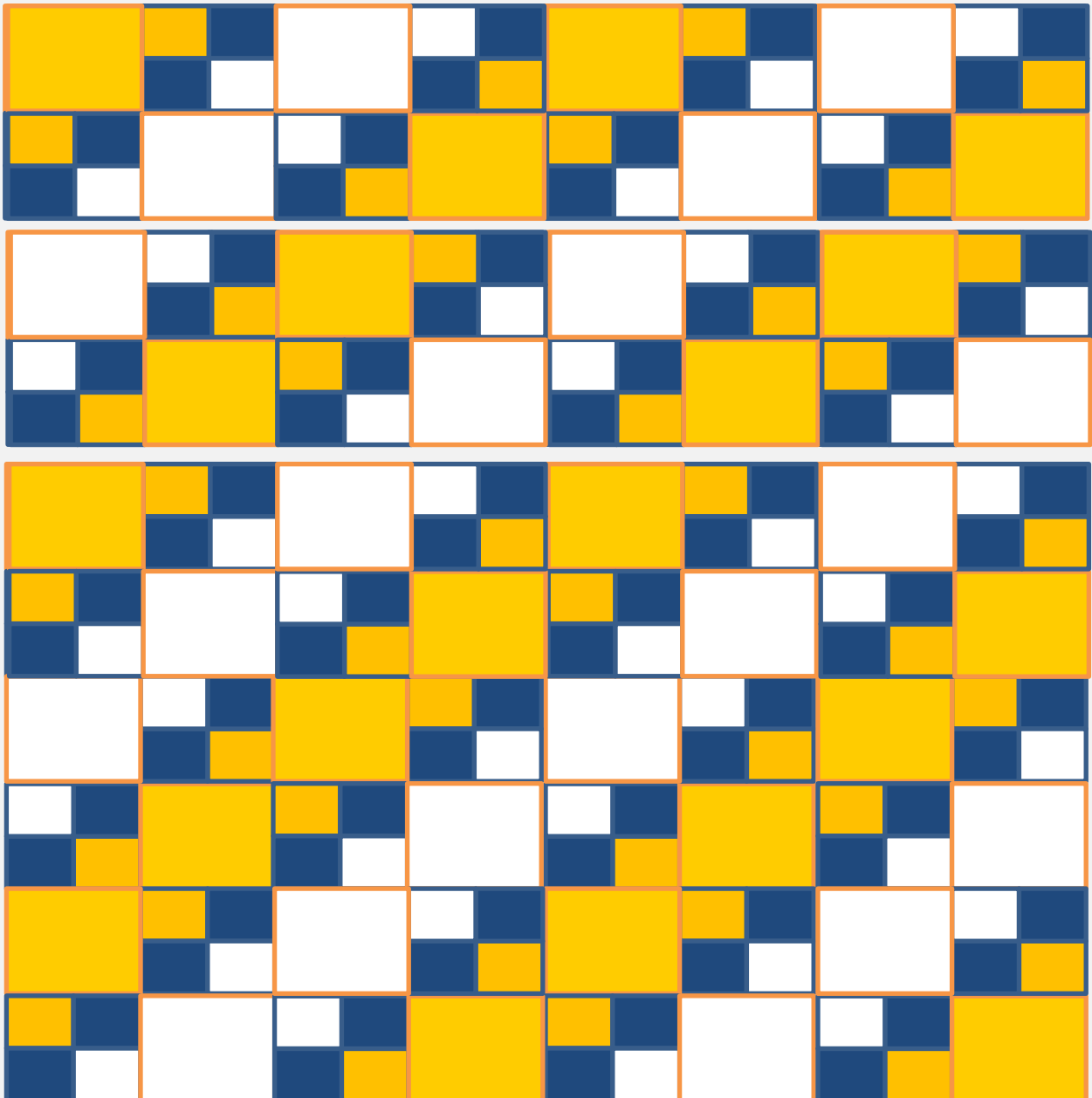


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Clue 8

1. Lay out rows X and Y. Alternate the rows, beginning and ending with an X row. Sew the rows together and press well.
2. Examine the assembly diagram and quilt top photo for the Mystery quilt top. Add borders and finish the quilt.



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Adding Borders

Cornerstone Borders – Use these instructions for the Inner Border.

Cornerstones are added to the top and bottom strips. This changes the way you measure the top and bottom strips.

1. Sew all of the strips for the first border together, end-to-end, into one long piece. Press the seam allowance open.
2. Measure through the center of the quilt from top to bottom. Use this measurement to cut two strips for the sides of the border, but do not sew them to the quilt yet. Measure from side-to-side through the center of the quilt. Use this measurement to cut the top and bottom strips.
3. Gather the four cornerstone squares that you cut according to the instructions. Sew a cornerstone to the ends of the top and bottom strips. Press the seam allowances toward the cornerstones.
4. Sew the side strips to the quilt top and press the seam allowances toward the border strips. Then sew the top and bottom strips completed in step 3 and press the seam allowances to the border strips.

Plain Borders – Use these instructions for the Middle Border and the Outer Border.

1. Sew all of the strips for the border together, end-to-end, into one long piece. Press the seams open.
2. Measure through the center of the quilt from top to bottom. Use this measurement to cut two strips for the sides of the border.
3. Pin and sew these strips to the long sides of the quilt top, easing the edge of the quilt to fit the quilt and help it lie flat. Press the seam allowances to the border strip.
4. Measure side-to-side across the center of the quilt top, including the newly added border.
5. Use this measurement to cut two more strips for the top and bottom of the border.
6. Pin and sew these strips to the top and bottom of the quilt. Ease the edges of the quilt to fit the border strips. Press the seam allowances to the borders.

Finishing your quilt

1. Prepare your backing, batting and binding for finishing your quilt.
2. Sandwich your quilt with the Quilt top, batting and backing then pin. Quilt as desired.
3. Square up your quilt.
4. Add the binding. [Magic Binding Tutorial](#)

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Mystery Solved! ** This ends Clue #8 **

