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QUILTS & PATTERNS

PLAYGROUND SKILLBUILDER

MONTH 1

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6

The Playground Skillbuilder Block-of-the-Month will follow the Caboodle colorway in all instructions. Use the empty boxes below the Caboodle colorway on each page to fill in your colors so you can easily follow along with the instructions as you go!

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
2 YARDS	1 YARD	1 YARD	1 YARD	1 YARD	1.25 YARDS *(SEE NOTE ON YARDAGE CHART)*

MONTH 1 > PATCHWORK SQUARES

Color-in the blank diagram to the left with your chosen colorway to help you follow along with the pattern illustrations.

CUTTING CHART

The first row of the cutting chart displays the Caboodle colorway. Color-in the empty boxes directly below each color with your chosen color for that spot. Cut out the number of squares indicated in parenthesis below each color.

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
(2) 5 ½ X 5 ½	(3) 5 ½ X 5 ½	(2) 5 ½ X 5 ½	(1) 5 ½ X 5 ½	(2) 5 ½ X 5 ½	(2) 5 ½ X 5 ½

**The C5 and C6 colors for the Caboodle colorway are very similar so I've changed C6 to a much lighter shade to make it easier to follow along, and in case you want to print out instructions. It was hard to see otherwise!*

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Using a 1/4 inch seam allowance sew the blocks together in pairs following the diagram and list below. We are going to be pressing seams open and to the side so you can get a feel for both options and how they fit together. Use the arrow illustrations as a guide for seam pressing. The arrow that points outward in both directions indicates you should press your seams open so that they lie flat. The arrow that only points in one direction indicates the direction to which you should press your seam to the side.

PRESS SEAMS OPEN ↔	PRESS SEAMS TO THE SIDE ←
Sew C2 to C6 and press seams open. Sew C3 to C1 and press seams open. Sew C4 to C5 and press seams open.	Sew C2 to C5 and press seam towards C2. Sew C6 to C3 and press seam towards C3. Sew C2 to C1 and press seam towards C2.

Once sewn together, your two-square units should measure 5.5 x 10.5".

2. Sew your C2-C6 unit to the left of your C2-C5 unit. You can choose which way you want to press your seam, just stay consistent for the next two steps.

3. Sew your C3-C1 unit to the left of your C6-C3 unit. Press according to the method you chose in step two.

4. Sew your C4-C5 unit to the left of your C2-C1 unit. Press according to the method you chose in step two.

5. Sew your unit from step two above your unit from step three. Match up your open seams and nest your side-pressed seams.

6. Sew your unit from step five above your unit from step four. Match up your open seams and nest your side-pressed seams.

7. I recommend pressing the long joining seams from steps five and six open to reduce bulk and to make it easier to sew this unit to future units during final quilt construction. The final block should measure 20.5" wide by 15.5" tall. Month one is done!!!

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Starch your fabric before cutting.
2. Diagrams are provided for each color. The size of the unit is indicated within each shape. The number in parenthesis within the shape corresponds to the month that unit will be utilized.
3. Cut left to right. Cut a width-of-fabric (WOF) strip based on the largest piece size. For example, cut a 6" by WOF strip for the first section below and then subcut your pieces from that strip.
4. The general layout of the pieces follows the month you will be needing the units, unless spacing made more sense otherwise. You can choose to cut your pieces month-by-month or cut a majority of them now. Labels are provided by color and month so you can keep track of your units if you choose to cut now. If a unit doesn't have an indicated size it means we will either cover cutting instructions during that month or you will be provided a template. I wanted to at least lay them out in the diagram so you can see how much extra fabric is left after cutting out all of your pieces.

C1 C1

SELVAGE

SELVAGE

C2 C2

(4) 11.5
(4) 11.5
(1) 5.5
(1) 5.5
(1) 5.5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 12.5
(2) 2.5 x 38
(8) 18 x9
(3) 17.5 x 4 3/8
(9)
(9)
(6)
(6)
(10)
(10)
(10)
(10)
(10)
WOF
SELVAGE
SELVAGE

C3 C3

(7) 5 7/8
(7) 5 7/8
(7) 5 7/8
(7) 5 7/8
(2) 2.5 x 28.5
(1) 5.5
(1) 5.5
(2) 2.5 x 9.5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(3) 12
(4) 11.5
(5) 2 x 8.5
(8) 17.25 x 8.25
(9)
(6)
(6)
(10)
(10)
WOF
SELVAGE
SELVAGE

C4 C4

SELVAGE
(4) 11
(6)
(8) 17.25 x 8.25
(9)
(9)
(1) 5.5
(5) 2 x 12.5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(10)
(10)
(10)
(10)
WOF
SELVAGE

C5 C5

SELVAGE
(3) 6
(4) 11.5
(5) 2 x 12.5
(6)
(6)
(7) 5.75
(7) 5.75
(9)
(10)
(2) 2.5 x 38
(1) 5.5
(1) 5.5
(10)
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(5) 2 x 5
(10)
(10)
WOF
SELVAGE

C6 | C6

Spacing is a little tight for C6, I apologize! I decided to add a couple of construction methods to the BOM after figuring out yardage requirements. The pieces DO fit, but you might want to get an extra 1/4 yard or fat quarter to have some wiggle room for mistakes. I usually like to allow an extra 1/4 yard in fabric requirements and wanted to make you aware of the issue sooner rather than later.

If you choose to cut out strips or units now, you can use the labels below to keep track of which units will be used in which month. Pin the label to the units or stacks of units and set aside for future use.

C1 MONTH 1	C2 MONTH 1	C3 MONTH 1	C4 MONTH 1	C5 MONTH 1	C6 MONTH 1
C1 MONTH 1	C2 MONTH 1	C3 MONTH 1	C4 MONTH 1	C5 MONTH 1	C6 MONTH 1
C1 MONTH 2	C2 MONTH 2	C3 MONTH 2	C4 MONTH 2	C5 MONTH 2	C6 MONTH 2
C1 MONTH 2	C2 MONTH 2	C3 MONTH 2	C4 MONTH 2	C5 MONTH 2	C6 MONTH 2
C1 MONTH 3	C2 MONTH 3	C3 MONTH 3	C4 MONTH 3	C5 MONTH 3	C6 MONTH 3
C1 MONTH 3	C2 MONTH 3	C3 MONTH 3	C4 MONTH 3	C5 MONTH 3	C6 MONTH 3
C1 MONTH 4	C2 MONTH 4	C3 MONTH 4	C4 MONTH 4	C5 MONTH 4	C6 MONTH 4
C1 MONTH 4	C2 MONTH 4	C3 MONTH 4	C4 MONTH 4	C5 MONTH 4	C6 MONTH 4
C1 MONTH 5	C2 MONTH 5	C3 MONTH 5	C4 MONTH 5	C5 MONTH 5	C6 MONTH 5
C1 MONTH 5	C2 MONTH 5	C3 MONTH 5	C4 MONTH 5	C5 MONTH 5	C6 MONTH 5
C1 MONTH 6	C2 MONTH 6	C3 MONTH 6	C4 MONTH 6	C5 MONTH 6	C6 MONTH 6
C1 MONTH 6	C2 MONTH 6	C3 MONTH 6	C4 MONTH 6	C5 MONTH 6	C6 MONTH 6
C1 MONTH 7	C2 MONTH 7	C3 MONTH 7	C4 MONTH 7	C5 MONTH 7	C6 MONTH 7
C1 MONTH 7	C2 MONTH 7	C3 MONTH 7	C4 MONTH 7	C5 MONTH 7	C6 MONTH 7
C1 MONTH 8	C2 MONTH 8	C3 MONTH 8	C4 MONTH 8	C5 MONTH 8	C6 MONTH 8
C1 MONTH 8	C2 MONTH 8	C3 MONTH 8	C4 MONTH 8	C5 MONTH 8	C6 MONTH 8
C1 MONTH 9	C2 MONTH 9	C3 MONTH 9	C4 MONTH 9	C5 MONTH 9	C6 MONTH 9
C1 MONTH 9	C2 MONTH 9	C3 MONTH 9	C4 MONTH 9	C5 MONTH 9	C6 MONTH 9
C1 MONTH 10	C2 MONTH 10	C3 MONTH 10	C4 MONTH 10	C5 MONTH 10	C6 MONTH 10
C1 MONTH 10	C2 MONTH 10	C3 MONTH 10	C4 MONTH 10	C5 MONTH 10	C6 MONTH 10