

# Tonga Surf

Sea-ing Stars
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Finished quilt size: 58" x 58"

### **Fabric Requirements**

1 yard Tonga-B4914 Pearl <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yard Tonga-B4873 Sky

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> yard each:

Tonga-B4914 Ocean

Tonga-B4917 Scuba

Tonga-B4580 Teal

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard Tonga-B3836 Kelp

<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yard Tonga-B9230 Sand

1/4 yard Tonga-B2970 Reef

13/8 yards Tonga-B4864 Beach (includes binding)

3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> yards Tonga backing fabric of your choice 66" x 66" batting

#### Cutting

# From Tonga-B4914 Pearl:

- Cut seven 3" x width-of-fabric (WOF) strips. Subcut 96 3" squares.
- Cut three 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x WOF strips, WOF. Sub-cut thirtytwo 33/8" squares. Cut each square once diagonally to yield sixty-four triangles.

#### From Tonga-B4873 Sky:

• Cut three 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x WOF strips. Sub-cut thirty-six 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares. Cut each square once diagonally to yield seventy-two triangles.

# From both Tonga-B4914 Ocean and Tonga-B4917 Scuba:

• Cut two 3" x WOF strips. Sub-cut sixteen 3" squares.

#### From Tonga-B4580 Teal:

• Cut two 3" x WOF strips. Sub-cut twenty 3" squares.

#### From Tonga-B3836 Kelp:

• Cut four 3" x WOF strips. Sub-cut forty-eight 3" squares.

### From Tonga-B9230 Sand:

• Cut two 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x WOF strips. Sub-cut forty  $2^{\parallel} \times 10^{1/2^{\parallel}}$  sashing strips.

#### From Tonga-B2970 Reef:

• Cut two 2" x WOF strips. Sub-cut twenty-five 2" squares.

#### From Tonga-B4864 Beach:

- Cut four 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 48" length-of-fabric (LOF) strips.
- Cut five 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x LOF strips for binding.
- From the remaining fabric, cut four 3" squares

and four 33/8" squares. Cut the 33/8" squares once diagonally to yield eight triangles.

#### **Block Construction**

All seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

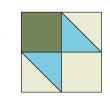
1. Sew one B4914 Pearl triangle and one B4873 Sky triangle together on the diagonal. Press the seams toward the Sky fabric. Repeat to make a total of sixty-four halfsquare triangle (HST) units. (figure 1)

Fig. 1

Make 64.

Fig. 2

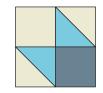
2. Noting the HST orientation, sew together two Pearl/ Sky HST units and one each of 3" B3836 Kelp and B4914 Pearl squares to make a four-patch unit. Press seams toward the squares. Make a total of sixteen four patches. (figure 2)



Make 16.

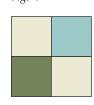
3. In the same manner, make a total of sixteen four-patch units using two Pearl/Sky HST units and one each of 3" B4914 Ocean and B4914 Pearl squares. (figure 3)

Fig. 3



Make 16. Fig. 4

4. Make a total of sixteen four-patch units using two 3" B4914 Pearl squares, one 3" B3836 Kelp and one 3" B4817 Scuba square. Press the seams in alternate directions. (figure 4)



Make 16.

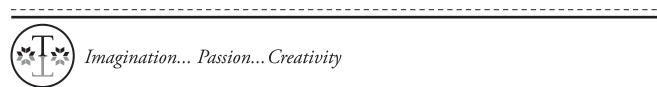
units using two 3" B4914 Pearl Fig. 5

squares, one 3" B3836 Kelp and one 3" B4580 Teal square. Press seams in alternate directions. (figure 5)

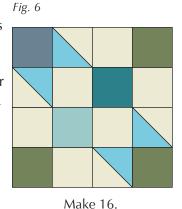
5. Make a total of sixteen four-patch



Make 16.

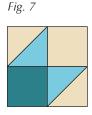


6. Arrange the four different four-patch units from steps 2–5 into one large block, placing the triangle units in the upper left and lower right as shown in Figure 6. Note that the four-patches are positioned so that the B3836 Kelp patches are in the outer corners. Make a total of sixteen 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" blocks.



# **Quilt Top Assembly**

- 7. Use the quilt photo for orientation and color placement, lay out the blocks in four rows of four blocks each. Sew the blocks together in rows, sewing a 2" x 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" B9230 Sand sashing strip between each block, and at the beginning and ending of each row. Press seams toward the sashing.
- 8. Sew together four 2" x 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" B9230 Sand sashing strip alternately with 2" B2970 Reef cornerstones, beginning and ending each row with a cornerstone. Press seams toward the sashing. Make a total of five rows.
- Matching adjacent seams, sew the block rows together with a sashing strip between. Add a sashing strip to the top and the bottom of the block rows.
   Press seams toward the sashing strips.
- 10. Sew one B4873 Sky triangle to one B4864 Beach triangle on the diagonal. Press the seams toward the Sky fabric. Repeat to make a total of eight HST units.
- 11. Using one 3" B4580 Teal square, one 3" B4864 Beach square and two Sky/Beach HST units, sew a fourpatch block. Press seams toward the squares. Make a total of four corner blocks. (figure 7)



12. Sew one corner block to each end of two of the 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 48" B4864 Beach border strips, orienting the B4580 Teal squares as shown in the quilt photo. Press seams toward the border strips.

13. Sew one 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 48" B4864 Beach border strip to each side of the quilt center. Press seams toward the borders. Noting the orientation, sew one border/cornerstone strip to the top and the other to the bottom of the quilt center. Press seams toward the borders.

# **Finishing**

- 14. Layer the quilt top, batting and backing and quilt as desired.
- 15. Stitch the binding strips together end to end using diagonal seams. Fold and press the resulting long strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Stitch to the quilt front, matching raw edges and mitering the corners.
- 16. Fold the binding to the quilt underside and handstitch the folded edge to the quilt back.

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