

SAVANAH'S QUILT

A pattern in three parts.
Part 3: **Dental Borders**



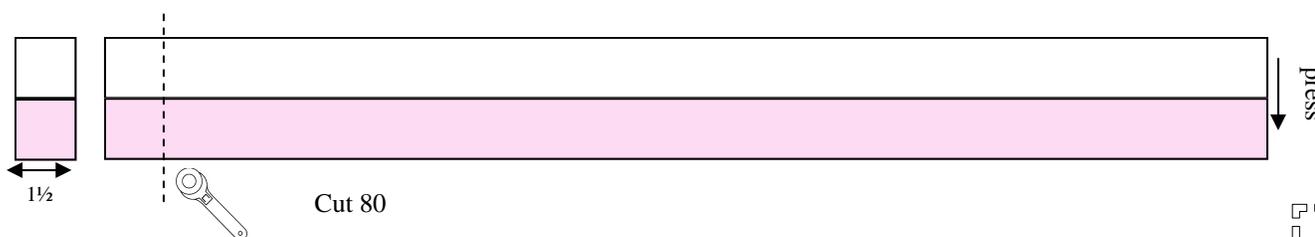
I first saw this border on antique quilt, on eBay. I believe the quilt was from the 1930s and was a medallion with a building in the center. I loved the border because it was so simple, yet so interesting. I call it a Dental Border because it reminded me of the architectural moldings of the same name.

The first border is muslin and makes the center of the quilt float.

1. For the sides, cut 2 strips, 2" x 42 1/2". Sew to the sides of the quilt and press toward the border.
2. For the top and bottom, cut 2 strips, 2" x 33 1/2". Sew to the top and bottom of the quilt and press toward the border.

The first dental border is muslin and pink.

1. Cut 3 strips of muslin, 1 1/2" x the fabric width (at least 40").
2. Cut 3 strips of pink, 1 1/2" x the fabric width (at least 40").
3. Sew the strips together on the long sides and cut into 80, 1 1/2" segments.



4. Sew the segments end to end making 20 units, 1 1/2" x 4 1/2".



5. Keep sewing the strips end to end making two side strips that are 45 1/2" x 1 1/2" (23 white squares, 22 pink squares for each side). And top and bottom strips that are 35 1/2" x 1 1/2" (17 white squares, 18 pink squares).



6. You will need to count as you go and either add or subtract one square on one end of each of the strips since each strip takes an odd number of squares. The top and bottom squares start and end in pink. The sides strips start and end with white.
7. Sew the strips to the sides, then the top and bottom of the quilt. Press toward the muslin border.

The next border is wide and pink.

1. Cut 5 strips, 5 1/2" x the width of the fabric (at least 40").
2. Cut the selvage edges off, perpendicular to the length of the strips.
3. Sew two of the strips together end to end. Cut to make the length 47 1/2".
4. Sew the remainder of the strip from 3 to another strip. Cut to make the length 47 1/2".
5. Sew these two strips to the sides of the quilt and press toward the pink.
6. Sew the remainder of the strip from 4 to another strip. Cut to make the length 45 1/2".
7. Sew the remainder of the strip from 6 to another strip. Cut to make the length 45 1/2".
8. Sew these two strips to the top and bottom of the quilt and press toward the pink.

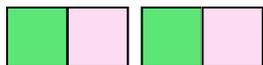
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The second dental border is pink and green.

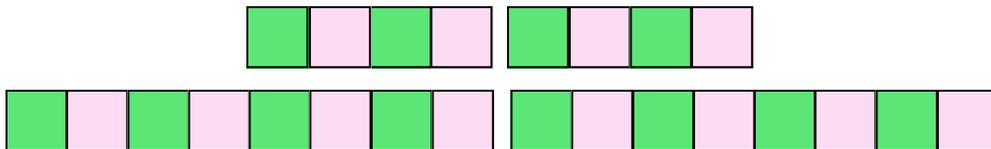
1. Cut 4 strips of muslin, 1 1/2" x the fabric width (at least 40").
2. Cut 4 strips of pink, 1 1/2" x the fabric width (at least 40").
3. Sew the strips together on the long sides and cut into 108, 1 1/2" segments.



4. Sew the segments end to end making 27 units, 1 1/2" x 4 1/2".



5. Keep sewing the strips end to end making two side strips that are 57 1/2" x 1 1/2" (29 pink squares, 28 green squares for each side). And top and bottom strips that are 47 1/2" x 1 1/2" (23 pink squares, 24 green squares).



6. You will need to count as you go and either add or subtract one square on one end of each of the strips since each strip takes an odd number of squares. The top and bottom squares start and end in green. The sides strips start and end with pink. You will have a few extra squares
7. Sew the strips to the sides, then the top and bottom of the quilt. Press toward the pink border.

The last border is narrow and green.

1. Cut 6 strips 2 1/2" x the width of the fabric (at least 40").
2. Cut the selvage edges off, perpendicular to the length of the strips.
3. Sew two of the strips together end to end. Cut to make the length 59 1/2".
4. Sew the remainder of the the strip from 3 to another strip. Cut to make the length 59 1/2".
5. Sew these two strips to the sides of the quilt and press toward the green.
6. Sew two of the remaining strips together end to end. Cut to make the length 51 1/2".
7. Sew the remainder of the strip from 6 to another strip. Cut to make the length 51 1/2".
8. Sew these two strips to the top and bottom of the quilt and press toward the green

The quilt to is finished and should measure 51 1/2" x 63 1/2".

Quilt as you desire.

My quilt is machine quilted. Refer to the first page of Savanna Part 1.

Diagonal lines were stitched through the center of the squares in the *Thrifty* blocks.

The hearts were outlined stitched inside the heart and in the ditch around the heart.

Then two lines were stitched to form concentric squares around the hearts.

The borders were cross hatched in squares using the dental borders as guides.

The binding is made out of straight of the grain fabric strips. It takes 238" or 6 strips of 1 1/2" x 40" fabric.