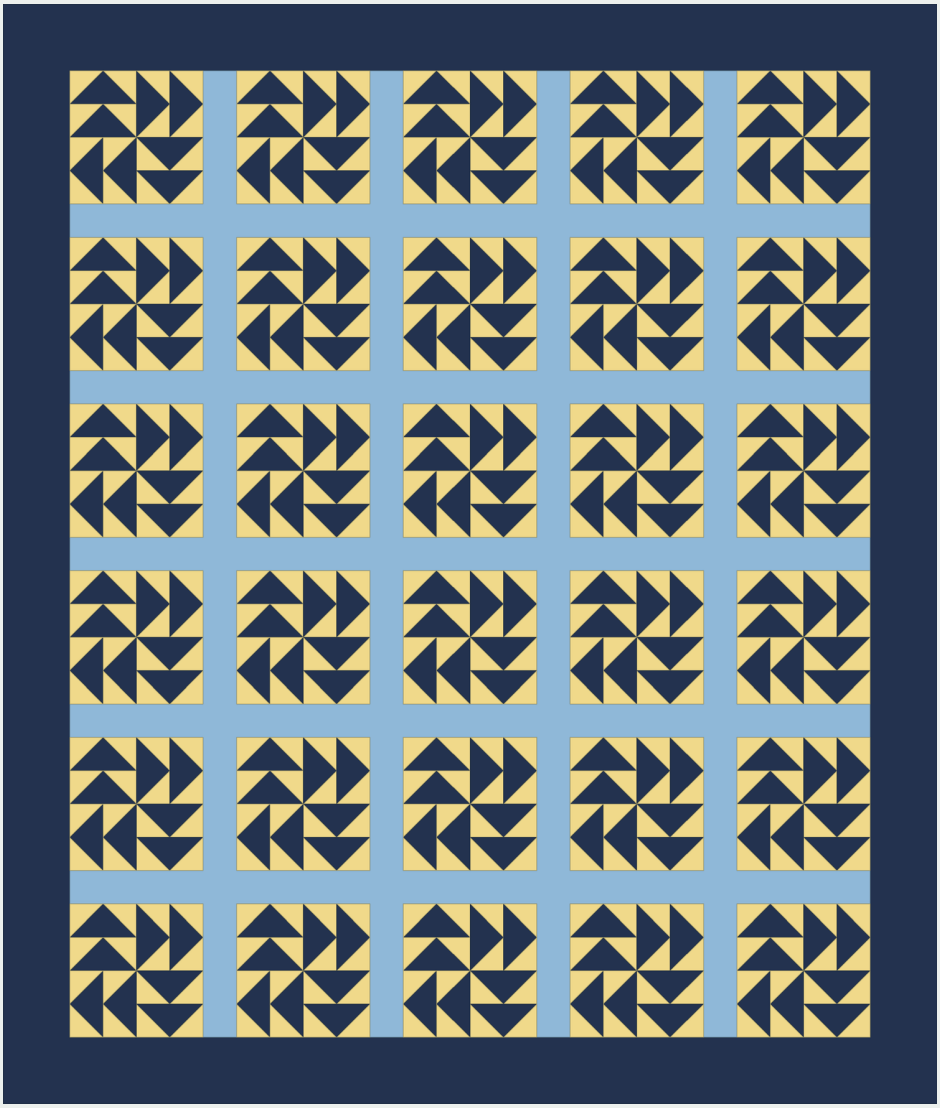
Dutchman's puzzle throw

Intermediate · 56 × 66" finished · 30 blocks of 8" · 5 across × 6 down



Eight flying geese per block, made four at a time with no waste.

Fabric requirements

A · Navy **2⅝ yd**

8 strips across the fabric = 42"; Border: 6 strips × 4½" = 27"; Binding: 7 strips × 2½" = 17½"

B · Butter **1⅝ yd**

18 strips across the fabric = 51¾"; Total 51¾", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 1⅝ yd

C · Sky blue **1 yd**

6 strips across the fabric = 15"; Sashing between rows: 6 strips × 2½" = 15"; Total 30", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 1 yd

D · Backing **3¾ yd**

Backing: 2 pieces × 64" = 128"; Total 128", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 3¾ yd

Total to buy (⅛ yd extra per fabric) **9 yd**

Quilting cotton 42" usable width. All cut sizes include ¼" seam allowances. Batting at least 64 × 74" (Twin (72 × 90")). 91% of the fabric you cut ends up in the quilt.

Units to sew

- 240 flying geese (Navy + Butter), 4 × 2" finished, trim to 4½ × 2½"

Cutting plan

Cut strips across the width of the fabric, selvage to selvage, then cut each strip into pieces. Letters and numbers (A1, B2 ...) match the pieces in the blocks.

A · Navy (2⅝ yd)

1. **Cut 6 strips 4½" × width of fabric for the border.**
   - Join end to end with straight seams, then cut 2 × 58½", 2 × 56½".
2. **Cut 7 strips 2½" × width of fabric for the binding.**
   - Join end to end with diagonal seams, press open, then fold in half lengthwise and press.
3. **Cut 7 strips 5¼" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 8 squares 5¼ × 5¼" (A1).
4. **Cut 1 strip 5¼" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 4 squares 5¼ × 5¼" (A1).

Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
A1	60	5¼ × 5¼"	squares	With 4 small Butter squares, makes 4 flying geese (no-waste method); trim to 4½ × 2½".

B · Butter (1⅝ yd)

1. **Cut 17 strips 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 14 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (B1).
2. **Cut 1 strip 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 2 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (B1).

Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
B1	240	2⅞ × 2⅞"	squares	The small squares for no-waste flying geese (4 per large square).

C · Sky blue (1 yd)

1. **Cut 6 strips 2½" × width of fabric for the sashing between rows.**
   - Join end to end with straight seams, then cut 5 × 48½".
2. **Cut 6 strips 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 4 rectangles 2½ × 8½" (C1).

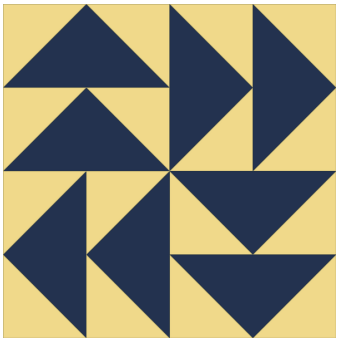
Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
C1	24	2½ × 8½"	rectangles	

D · Backing (3¾ yd)

1. **For the backing, cut 2 pieces 64" long.**
   - Trim the selvages and join along the long edges with ½" seams.

The blocks

Each block finishes at 8" (8½" unfinished, with seam allowances).



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Putting it together

1. Sew 30 blocks. Lay them out 5 across × 6 down with sashing between them, and sew them into rows, then sew the rows together. The quilt top measures 48 × 58" (finished) before borders.
2. Border 1: 4" finished, in Navy. Sew the side borders first, then the top and bottom.
3. Backing: 64 × 74" in 2 pieces, joined with ½" seams.
4. Layer backing, batting (64 × 74" or bigger) and top, and quilt.
5. Binding: join 7 strips 2½" wide with diagonal seams (about 279" long), fold in half lengthwise and sew around the edge.

Make it any size, plan it from your own fabric and tick off every cut at quiltkind.com. This pattern online: https://quiltkind.com/patterns/dutchmans-puzzle/

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