

# Cat's Night Out

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Finished Quilt: 78" x 80-1/2" - Finished Block Size: 6" to 12"  
**Nature's Studio** fabrics by Classic Cottons - Style #3644

**Fabric Requirements:** Based on 44" wide fabric  
Nature's Studio fabrics listed in graph below  
4-7/8 yards fabric for backing (#6386-27 Blue print suggested)  
84" x 86" quilt batting  
template plastic  
2 yards 12" wide fusible web

	Darkest	Dark	Medium	Light	Pale
Pink	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	3/8 yard
Blue	1-1/2 yards	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	3/8 yard
Purple	1-1/4 yards	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	3/4 yard	3/8 yard
Green	1-3/4 yards	7/8 yard	3/8 yard	1/4 yard	1/4 yard
Olive	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	3/8 yard
Rust	1/6 yard	1/2 yard	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	3/8 yard
Brown	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	1/6 yard	3/8 yard	3/4 yard

**Prepare Templates:** Prepare templates as directed on the Template Pages.

**Cutting Directions:** All measurements based on a 1/4" seam allowance.

From each of the five shades of the **pink, blue, purple, olive, rust** and **brown** (not **green**) fabrics cut one 3" x 44" strip for piecing middle border.

From each of the pale and light shades of the **pink, blue, purple, green, olive, rust** and **brown** fabrics cut two 2-1/2" x 44" strips then cut each strip into sixteen 2-1/2" squares for piecing stars and cats.

From the **darkest blue** fabric:

Cut two 12-1/2" x 44" strips then cut into four 12-1/2" squares

Cut one 6-1/2" x 44" strips then cut into four 6-1/2" squares

Cut three 3" x 44" strips then cut into thirty-two 3" squares

Cut two 2-1/2" x 44" strips then cut into thirty-two 2-1/2" squares

From the **darkest purple** fabric:

Cut two 7" x 44" strips, from one strip cut one 7" x 10" strip and four 6-1/2" squares

Cut six 2-1/2" x 44" strips

Cut two 2-1/2" x 44" strips then cut into thirty-two 2-1/2" squares

From the **light purple** fabric:

Cut six 2" x 44" strips

From the **darkest green** fabric:

Cut two 4-1/2" x 44" strips

Cut eight 3" x 44" strips

Cut eight 2-1/2" x 44" strips

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## Cutting Directions: Continued

From the **dark green** fabric:

Cut two 4-1/2" x 44" strips

Cut eight 2" x 44" strips

From the **medium green** fabric:

Cut three 3" x 44" strips

From the **dark rust** fabric:

Cut three 2-1/2" x 44" strips then cut into twelve 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" strips

From the **dark brown** fabric:

Cut three 2" x 44" strips

From the **pale brown** fabric:

Cut two 3" x 44" strips then cut into twenty 3" squares

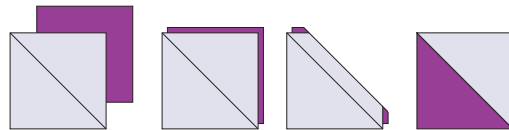
## Star & Moon Sections:

1. From the 2-1/2" pale squares select eight piles of five squares, with only one color in each pile. You will have two piles that are the same color.

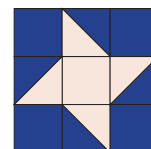
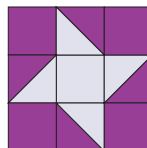
2. Work with one pile of five pale squares and eight 2-1/2" darkest purple squares to make a star.

3. Draw a diagonal line across the wrong side of four of the pale fabrics.

4. Lay a marked pale square right sides together with a 2-1/2" darkest purple square. Stitch along the marked line. Trim one side of each piece to a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seam to the purple.



5. Lay out the squares and triangle sets for a star block. Stitch the pieces into rows then sew the rows together.



6. Make a total of four 6-1/2" (6" finished) star blocks with the darkest purple background. Make another 6-1/2" (6" finished) star blocks with the darkest blue background.

7. Using the same technique make four 8" star blocks (7-1/2" finished) for the borders using the 3" pale brown and 3" darkest blue squares. Set aside.

8. Referring to the quilt diagram, lay out the top row of stars with four darkest purple 6-1/2" squares alternating with four 6-1/2" star blocks with darkest purple background. Lay out the second row using the four darkest blue 6-1/2" squares alternating with four 6-1/2" star blocks with darkest blue background.

9. Stitch the blocks and squares into rows then sew the rows together.

10. Sew the the 7" x 10" and 7" x 44" darkest purple strips together end to end. From this strip, cut a 7" x 48-1/2" piece. Sew this to the bottom of the star blocks.

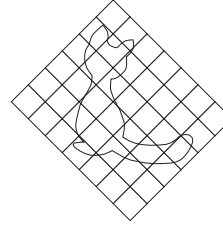
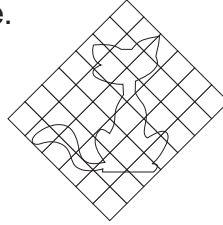
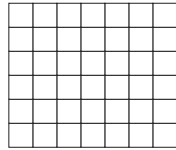
11. Trace Moon template onto paper side of fusible web. Roughly cut out about 1/2" past the tracings. Place the fusible web, web side down, on the wrong side of the pale brown fabric. Press lightly then cut out shape along the marked lines. Referring to the quilt diagram, place the moon on the star section and press permanently in place according to fusible web directions.

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## Cat Blocks:

1. Using a random selection of pale and light 2-1/2" squares, piece four rectangles of six by seven squares. Cut four 12" x 14" pieces of fusible web. Lightly fuse a piece of fusible web to wrong side of each pieced square. Lay **Cat One** template, face down diagonally, on fusible web side of a pieced unit. Repeat with **Cat One** on a second pieced unit. Trace **Cat Two** onto the fusible web side of the two remaining pieced units. Cut out each shape.

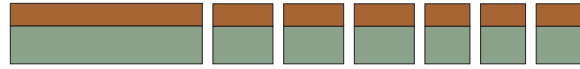


*Cats on squares shown from back, as fusible web would lay on wrong side of fabrics.*

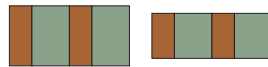
2. Place each cat centered vertically on a 12-1/2" darkest blue square no closer than 3/8" from the bottom of the square. Press permanently in place according to web manufacturer's directions.
3. Machine applique around each cat (and the moon) with a short, narrow zigzag stitch. Use a clear nylon thread through the needle and a neutral all-purpose thread in the bobbin.
4. Arrange cat blocks as shown in the quilt diagram and stitch blocks together. Sew the rows of cat blocks to the bottom of the star/moon section.

## Fence Blocks:

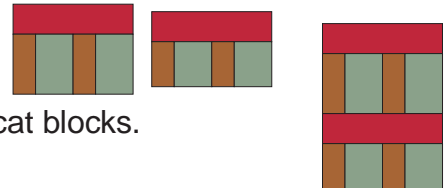
1. Stitch a 2" x 44" dark brown strip lengthwise to a 3" x 44" medium green strip. Make two more identical strips. From these strips cut twelve 4-1/2" wide slices and twelve 3-1/2" wide slices.



2. Make six post sections of each width, each with two slices.



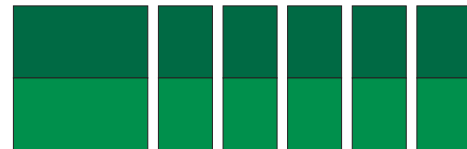
3. Stitch a 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" dark rust strip above each post section. Sew each tall post section on top of a short post section.



4. Sew the fence blocks into a row then add to the bottom of the cat blocks.

## Grass Blocks:

1. Sew a dark green 4-1/2" x 44" strip lengthwise to a darkest green 4-1/2" x 44" strip. Make a second identical strip. From these pieced strips cut eighteen 3-1/2" slices.



2. Sew three alternating pieced strips into a block. Make six blocks.



3. Sew the blocks together into the completed grass strip and sew it to the bottom of the fence.

## Inner Borders:

1. Cut two 2" x 44" light purple strips each into two equal lengths. Sew each half-length strip end-to-end with a full-length strip. Sew a border to right and left sides of quilt, press and trim excess. Stitch a border to the top and bottom of quilt center, press and trim excess.

2. Make and add the second inner border in the same manner using the darkest purple 2-1/2" strips.

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## **Middle Border:**

1. Sew the 3" x 44" pink strips together lengthwise in the following order: darkest, dark, medium, light then pale. From this panel cut three sections 8" wide. Repeat with the five shades each of the blue, purple, olive, rust and brown 3" x 44" strips.
2. Referring to the quilt graphic, piece the striped border strips into the four borders. Note that you will have to separate one blue and one rust group for the top right and bottom left sections of the border.
3. Add the long borders to the right and left sides of the quilt. Size borders if needed by increasing or decreasing the seams in the border slightly until the border fits the quilt perfectly.
4. Sew a 7-1/2" pale brown/darkest blue star block to each end of the top and bottom borders. Add these to the top and bottom of the quilt.

## **Outer Borders:**

1. Make four borders each with two 2" x 44" dark green strips sewn together end-to-end. Sew a border to right and left sides of quilt, press and trim excess. Stitch a border to the top and bottom of quilt center, press and trim excess.
2. Make and add the final border in the same manner using the darkest green 3" strips.

## **Finishing the Quilt:**

1. Cut backing fabric into two equal lengths. Sew the two pieces together along selvage edges.
2. Layer the quilt backing, batting and quilt top. Baste layers together. Quilt or tie as desired.
3. Prepare binding from eight 2-1/2" x 44" strips of darkest green fabric. Sew strips together into one long binding strip. Press strip in half lengthwise.
4. Carefully trim backing and batting even with quilt top.
5. Leaving an 8" tail of binding, sew binding to top of quilt through all layers matching all raw edges. Miter corners. Stop approximately 12" from where you started. Lay both loose ends of binding flat along quilt edge. Where these two loose ends meet, fold them back on themselves and press to form a crease. Using this crease as your stitching line, sew the two open ends of the binding together right sides together. Trim seam to 1/4" and press open. Finish sewing tape to quilt.
6. Turn binding to back of quilt and blind stitch in place. Sign and date your work.

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MOON  
Template

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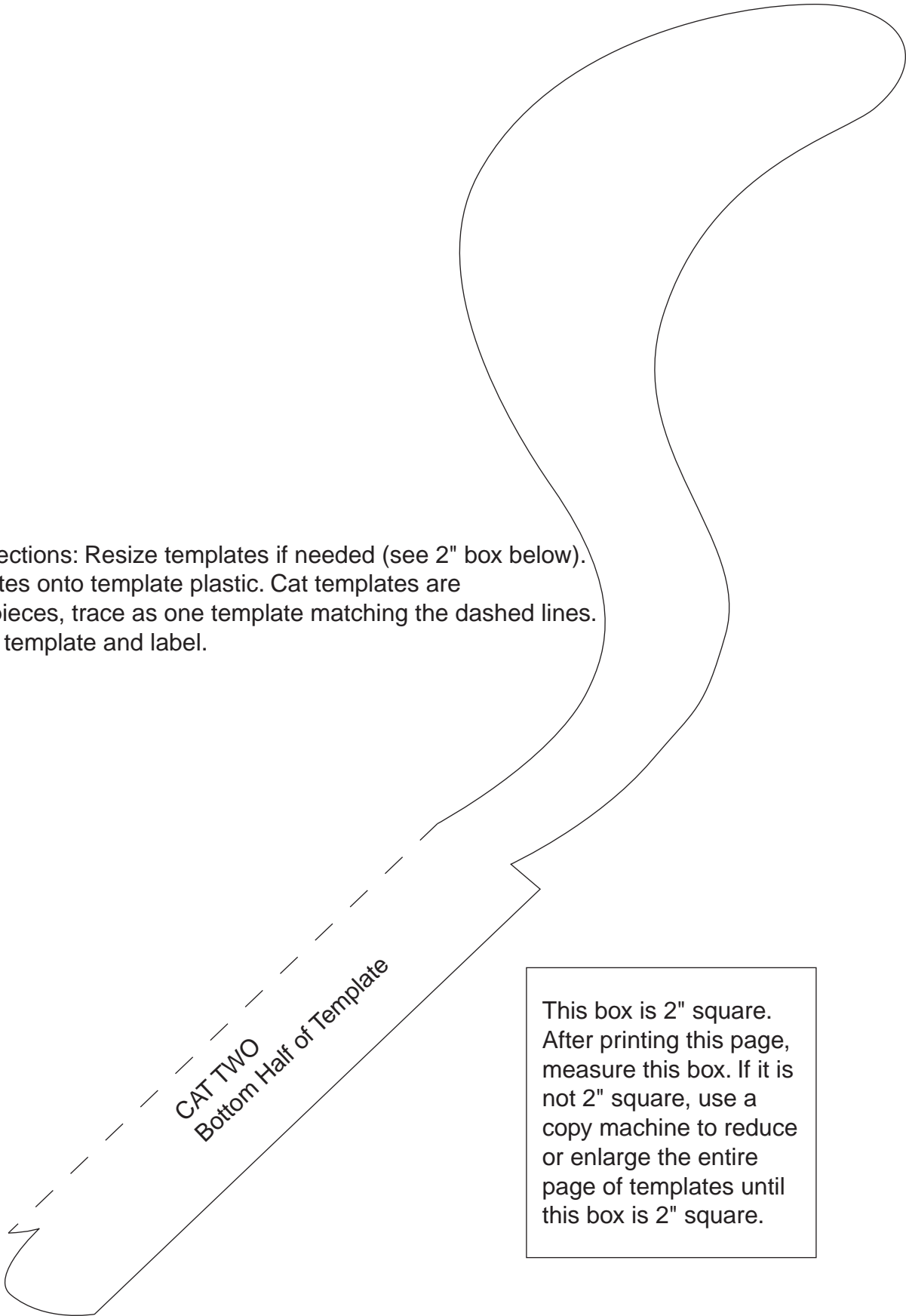
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