## TT25 Days Until Christmas 2007 BOM Project from BOMQuilts.com \& AbbiMays.com Sashing, Border \& Binding Instructions

It's time to sew all of your hard work together! There is no secret to completing the quilt except to start sewing your sashing onto the center blocks and work out from there. It will work best if you make sure you press your seams toward the sashing strips.



Now, sew 1 plain 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" Red strip to the top of your block and follow the block around with your Red/Green squared strips.

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Piecing Instructions (continued) - all seams 1/4"


To piece the sashing onto the next strip, sew a Red strip to the right side of the block.


Sew 2 Green $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares to the ends of 2 of your Red strips.


Using the image of the finished quilt, continue piecing and sewing your sashing (around the blocks) in the same manner as previously shown. Be sure to remember that when you add the sashing for the left and right vertic al strips, you will ${ }^{\text {not* }}$ * add sashing on the side that sits next to the center vertic al strip. You will sash the inside of the squares with $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10$ $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips of Red fabric and you will sash the outside of the blocks with $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ White squares and $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 101 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Green strips. If you follow the instructions above, you will be working in a vertical line, so you will piece the three vertic al columns individually and then sew them together.

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## Piecing Instructions (continued) - all seams $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$

NOTE: We transposed the fabric amounts for the green vs. red in the original image on the Bomquilts.com website. You should have just the right amount of fabric to finish your quilt, as shown below, if you purchased the kit from AbbiMays.com. We purchased the *same* kit and have a few strips and cham squares left over!

Cutting for the border:

- Green - Cut TWO (2) 5 1/2" x 38 1/2" strips
- Green - Cut TWO (2) $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 501 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips
- Red - Cut FOUR (4) 5 1/2" squares

Using the same organization as you used for the sashing, it's time to put your borders together. Follow the numbers below:


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## Binding Your Quilt

1) Sew enough 2 " $x$ width of binding fabric strips together as shown, to go around your quilt:


2) With wrong sides together, fold binding in half lengthwise and press. Pin binding to the front edge of the quilt and sew in place using a $1 / 4$ " seam (see 1 below). When you reach a corner, stop stitching $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ from the edge and fold the binding up and away from the quilt (2). Fold the binding back down and begin stitching again, $1 / 4$ " from the folded edge (3).

3) Continue stitching the binding to the quilt until you reach the starting point. Overlap the starting edge of the binding by approximately 1 " and cut away the excess binding strip. Tuck the end into the fold and finish sewing the binding in place.

4) Sandwich your quilt front, batting and backing together, right sides of fabric facing out. Fold the binding over the raw edges of the quilt so that the folded edge covers the row of stitching on the back. Using a needle and thread, whipstitch the binding in place.

