

X's or O's

A relatively simple block made with jelly roll strips (2 1/2 inch)
You can use as little as 16 WOF strips or totally scrappy, 64 pieces
The blocks (as I found out accidentally) can be arranged either as X's or O's, or hugs and kisses depending on your preference .

In addition to your "colours" you will need some background.....
32 - 3 1/2 inch squares and
4 WOF cut 2 1/2 inches, borders
And a "colour" for your binding.



When working with strips you will sew them into random strata of 4 and then sub-cut into 8 1/2 squares, or your "personal measurement" if not 8 1/2 wide. You could also cut your WOF strips in half before sewing the strata to get more variety. When working with scraps you will first cut 64 - 8 1/2 inch pieces and then sew them into sets of 4. Seam pressing is not important. The 3 1/2 inch squares will be snowballed in two opposite corners, when pressing, half are pressed in and half out, that way your seams will nest at the next stage.



I found it easy to lay out the first half of the blocks (pressed one way) out and then to add the next half (pressed the other way) to get all the seams to nest.

Then you will sew your "16" patch together and add your borders.

Then it is time to "quilt as desired" and bind. Don't forget to add a label! 😊