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Welcome to 150 Canadian Women quilt program.

This quilt was created to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday on July 1, 2017. It started out being a 13 block quilt for the provinces and territories. That was too easy. I thought about writing about the Fathers of Confederation because there are more of them. Very early in the research, there was a couple of sentences about how one wife influenced their husband. That intrigued me even more, to write about the women. As the saying goes, behind every successful man is a fantastic woman. There was even less information on other wives or significant others. Light bulb! 😊 Let's be inspired by Canadian pioneering women, 150 Canadian pioneering women.

These women are pioneers of their time, entrepreneurs, feisty and do not take no for an answer. They are head strong, women's libbers and radicals in the sense of non conformity. These women blazed a trail for all women coming behind them.

I hope that:

- reading about these 150 Canadian pioneering women inspires you to learn more about these and other Canadian women,
- you are inspired to pursue your interests and dreams and grab opportunities and
- you enjoy and have fun participating in the program as much as I have enjoyed bringing it to you.

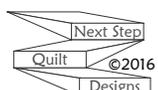
The bibliography for each woman is at the bottom of the page of her brief biography.

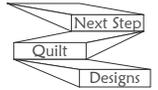
Each block has 3 pages. The first page is a brief biography of the woman. Second page is the block instructions. Page three is a reflection and inspiration page. The question asked or to comment on is what came to my mind. It is only there to help you start your reflection and inspiration, not necessarily to answer the question nor agree with my comment.

The 6½" blocks are all sashed. It is recommended that you cut the sashing and 1st border. Then sew one 1½"x6½" rectangle to the right side of each block so when it comes time to layout and sew the blocks together this tedious part is completed. NOTE there are only 143 rectangles required for the 150 block quilt and 63 rectangles required for the 72 block quilt because the last column of blocks in each quilt has the first border on the right side. Adding the rectangles as you complete a block makes it easier to see how the quilt will look when arranging the blocks. After completing your arrangement you may have to unsew the rectangles on the last column of blocks and sew them onto the blocks that need the rectangle. I found it easier to unsew 36"-60" than sew on all the rectangles at the end.

Sashing & First Border

150 Block	Vertical	Cut:	6—6½" strips	Sub-cut:	143—1½"x6½" rectangles
Sashing	Horizontal		26—1½" strips		
1st Border		Cut:	9—2" strips		
72 Block	Vertical	Cut:	3—6½" strips	Sub-cut:	63—1½"x6½" rectangles
Sashing	Horizontal		12—1½" strips		
1st Border		Cut:	7—2½" strips		





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ONLY FOR THE 150 BLOCK QUILT

The following cutting chart gives you the strip size and number of pieces to cut if you are using one fabric for the background and would like to cut all the pieces immediately.

150 BLOCK QUILT CUTTING CHART ONLY if using one background fabric

Cut minimum: (√) Sub-cut:	Cut minimum: (√) Sub-cut:
1—6 ⁷ / ₈ " strip 1—6 ⁷ / ₈ " square 1—6 ¹ / ₂ "x2" rectangle 1—6 ¹ / ₂ "x1 ¹ / ₂ " rectangle 5—5" squares 1—5"x2" rectangle	9—3" strips 4—3"x14" rectangles 76—3" squares 12—2 ⁷ / ₈ " squares 2—2 ³ / ₄ "x2" rectangles 4—2 ³ / ₄ "x1 ⁵ / ₈ " rectangles 4—2 ³ / ₄ "x1 ¹ / ₄ " rectangles 4—2 ⁵ / ₈ "x1 ⁵ / ₈ " rectangles
1—4 ¹ / ₂ " strip 7—4 ¹ / ₂ " squares 4—1 ¹ / ₂ "x4 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles	17—2 ¹ / ₂ " strips 186—2 ¹ / ₂ " squares 86—2 ¹ / ₂ "x1 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles 8—2 ¹ / ₂ "x1 ¹ / ₄ " rectangles 4—2 ¹ / ₂ "x1" rectangles 11—2 ³ / ₈ " squares 4—2 ¹ / ₄ " squares 4—2 ¹ / ₄ "x1 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles
4—4 ¹ / ₄ " strips 1—4 ¹ / ₄ " square 3—4"x14" rectangles 16—4" squares 3—3 ⁷ / ₈ " squares	17—2" strips 305—2" squares 8—2"x1 ¹ / ₄ " rectangles 12—1 ⁷ / ₈ " squares 8—1 ³ / ₄ "x1 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles
7—3 ¹ / ₂ " strips 27—3 ¹ / ₂ " squares 2—2 ³ / ₄ "x3 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles 66—2"x3 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles 21—1 ¹ / ₂ "x3 ¹ / ₂ " rectangles 2—3 ¹ / ₄ " squares	16—1 ¹ / ₂ " strips 4—1 ¹ / ₂ "x8" rectangles 358—1 ¹ / ₂ " squares 17—1 ¹ / ₄ " squares

