FABRICS are from the Into the Woods II collection by Kanvas Studio for Benartex (benartex.com).
Project: Wonky Blocks Pillowcase Band

Materials
- 3/4 yard total assorted prints (pillowcase band)
- 1/2 yard teal print (pillowcase band)
- 1/4 yard leaf print (pillowcase band)
- 7/8 yard nature print (pillowcase body)
- Template plastic

Finished pillowcase: 30 x 20" (fits a standard-size bed pillow)

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width. Measurements include 1/4" seam allowances for piecing blocks and 1/2" seam allowance for pillowcase constructions. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics
From assorted prints, cut:
- 8 — 3 1/2" squares
From teal print, cut:
- 16 — 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" rectangles
From leaf print, cut:
- 1 — 5 1/2" x 40" strip
From nature print, cut:
- 1 — 25 3/4" x 41" rectangle

Assemble Blocks
The pattern for cutting is on page 4. To make a template of the pattern, top it with template plastic and trace. Cut out the template on outer edges, then cut away the center square.

1. Gather one assorted print 3 1/2" square, two teal print 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles, and two teal print 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" rectangles.

2. Referring to Diagram 1, join the print square and two teal print 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" rectangles. Press seams away from center square.

3. Add teal print 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" rectangles to remaining edges. Press seams away from center square to make a unit (Diagram 2). Repeat to make eight units total.

4. Place template atop a unit, aligning template center window with unit center square (Diagram 3). Mark outer template edges. Cut on marked lines to make a 5 1/2" square block. Repeat to make four blocks total.

5. Turn template over and repeat with remaining units to make four reversed blocks total (Diagram 3).

Assemble Band
1. Alternate blocks and reversed blocks in a row. Sew together to make a 5 1/2" x 40 1/2" pieced strip (Band Assembly Diagram).

2. Sew together the pieced strip and leaf print 5 1/2" x 40 1/2" strip.


Assemble Pillowcase
1. Fold nature print 25 3/4" x 41" rectangle in half to form a 25 3/4" x 20 1/2" rectangle. Using a 1/2" seam allowance, sew together long edges and one set of short edges to make the pillowcase body. Turn right side out and press flat.

2. Matching raw edges and seams, slide pillowcase band over pillowcase body with pieced side of band facing pillowcase body (Diagram 4); pin. Using a 1/4" seam allowance, sew together through all layers.

3. Press pillowcase band open, pressing seam toward pillowcase body. Topstitch 1/4" from band edge (Diagram 5) to secure seam allowance and complete pillowcase.
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Diagram 1

Diagram 2

Diagram 3

Diagram 4

Diagram 5
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