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## The Farmer's Wife Sampler Quilt: Letters From 1920s Farm Wives And The 111 Blocks They Inspired



## Synopsis

Be Inspired by the StoriesThe 1922, The Farmer's Wife magazine posed this question to their readers: "If you had a daughter of marriageable age, would you, in light of your own experience, have her marry a farmer?" The magazine at the time had 750,000 subscribers, and received over 7,000 letters. The best answers to this question are included in this book, along with the traditional quilt blocks they inspired.Laurie Aaron Hird provides everything you need to be inspired and create your own sampler quilt:111 six-inch quilt blocks, with assembly diagrams for piecing the blocks and template cutting directionsComplete instruction for making a sampler quilt in any traditional size: lap, twin, queen or kingCD with easy-to-print, full-sized templates for all 111 blocks, and printable quilt construction diagrams42 letters from the 1922 Farmer's Wife contest to give you a priceless glimpse into our country's past

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accept. With this book, I am with the laid back group. The book cover clearly states (maybe it didn't in previous additions?) that there is a CD with templates. I have experience with that, so when I got the CD and looked at the files, they were what I was expecting. Others say, "Well, there are no dimensions!" Well, it is explained in the front notes that the blocks are 6 " blocks, so from there, I can get any dimension that I need. The instructions for the CD and templates explain how to use the templates and I have a ruler, so.... I guess as a new quilter I don't get what the fuss is about. Maybe I haven't quilted long enough to have higher expectations. I, in fact, appreciate that the templates are one to a page. I will trace off of these and keep the originals in a notebook. It just seems more organizationally sound to me to have one template per page. I have my own printer; most of you do as well, don't you? If Mrs. Hird had chosen to sell templates for these blocks, well, talk about added expense. And some of the dimensions would be so difficult to explain. I get lost in patterns that ask me to cut 152.5 by 8.5 inch strips, then cut 422.5 inch triangles using a specific angle cut ruler that I don't have. No, l'd rather have the template. There are some ellipsis in these patters that can only be done by pattern and maybe by paper piecing. I love paper piecing, don't you?

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