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HERE is a border pattern which may be used for any quilt. It is called the ribbon border block because our grandmothers pieced it of ribbons on a background of changeable silk and considered it the finest of borders. The modern quilt maker may use it in many different patterns, using the prevailing color of the quilt in the large pointed border and the complementary color in the three small colored blocks. Make the background either white or any color which your particular quilt requires. You may find this 9-inch border useful in making a modernistic looking striped quilt. Piece several long strips of border design and set them together with plain strips the same width and length.

Although this is an old-fashioned pattern, the suggested colors and materials are for a most modern coverlet, the couch robe or even the down puff for a chaise longue. A center width of quilted taffeta in changing tones in blue and rose, combined with silk in plain blue and plain rose for the border blocks would make a most delightful summer throw or afghan. Made of 36-inch silk it would finish 54 inches wide. Either a plain binding or scallops could finish the edge.

