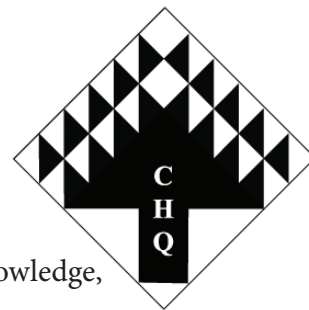


Cheyenne Heritage Quilters

Block of the Month

Dedicated to encouraging and broadening quilter creativity, sharing quilting knowledge, exhibiting quilting accomplishments and contributing to the community



Friendship Blocks with a Twist

This quilt year we are doing something a little different and hopefully you will have fun making these blocks and maybe learning some new techniques along the way. Friendship blocks are based on the rich history of friendship quilts in the United States.

Each month there will be a new pattern for a block. Make that month's block and bring it to the next guild meeting, turn it in, get your ticket and sign another ticket. You can make as many blocks as you want and turn them in, for each block turned in you get a ticket for the drawing that night. If you decide that you like the block and you make and turn in 4 of them, you have your name in the drawing 4 times. The more blocks you turn in the greater the chances are of you winning.

All blocks turned in will be placed into groups of blocks. Just before Show N Tell we will draw names from those that turned in blocks. The names drawn will receive a group of blocks. At the last meeting of the guild year there will be a drawing for various prizes from the names of those that have turned in blocks throughout the year (there are a couple of gift certificates in the prizes).

The Scrappy Split 9-Patch was chosen for the first block. Pick up the pattern or see it below. You will turn in these blocks at the October meeting and then pick up the block pattern that will be turned in at the November meeting, etc.

Wendy Ray

September Block

Scrappy Split 9-Patch
Autumn/Fall colors



The following directions are for making the Split 9-Patch block. The fun of this design is playing with color and value. The blocks can be set in any "Log Cabin" setting.

The block is composed of 4 dark squares, 3 light squares, and 2 half-square triangle units. Use your favorite technique for making the half-square triangle units.

Use fabric from your left-overs (stash).

Cut: 4 – 2 ½” squares from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric
 2 – 3” squares from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)

3 – 2 ½” squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabric
 2 – 3” squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)

Assembly: Make 2 half-square triangle units. They should measure 2 ½” when finished. Lay out the pieces of the block following the diagram below.



Row 1: Place 2 light squares and a half-square unit making sure the half-square unit is turned to the correct position.



Row 2: Place 1 light square and 2 dark squares in a row.



Row 3: Place a half-square unit making sure that it is turned in the correct direction along with 2 dark squares to make the row.

Sew together using your favorite technique. The block should measure 6 ½” square including the seam allowances. Depending on the way you make your half-square triangle units you may have 2 units left over.

I sew the squares together in rows (*setting the seams and pressing the 1st and 3rd row seam allowances toward the middle square and the 2nd row allowances toward the outer squares*) then I sew the rows together. I set the seams again and press the allowances outwards.

Half-Square Triangle Units

On each of the **light squares**, mark a diagonal line on the wrong-side of the fabric (from one corner to the opposite corner). Mark sewing lines ¼” on each side of the diagonal line (Fig. 1). **Do not mark lines on the dark squares**. Place the marked light squares with the dark squares right sides together. Pin together crossing the diagonal lines, keeping the pins **with the straight-of-grain of the fabric**. (Fig. 2).

Sew the squares together on the stitching lines, feeding the blocks through continuously without cutting the threads until they are all sewn. Sew the second seams in the same direction as the first. **Set the seams**. Cut the squares in half diagonally on the center line (Fig. 3).

Press the triangle unit open by placing the triangles with the dark sides up on the ironing board. This way you will press the seam allowances towards the dark fabric. **Square up these units to measure the needed square** size. (Fig. 4).

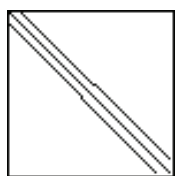


Fig. 1

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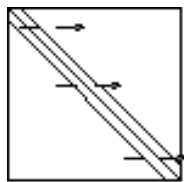


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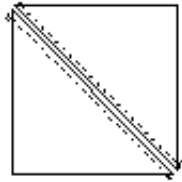


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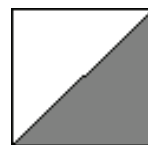
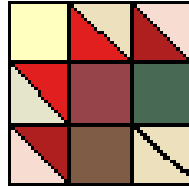


Fig. 4

October Block 1

Scrappy Maple Leaf
Autumn/Fall colors



The following directions are for making the Traditional Maple Leaf block.

The block is composed of 3 dark squares, 2 light squares, and 4 half-square triangle units. Use your favorite technique for making the half-square triangle units.

Use fabric from your left-overs (stash).

Cut: 3 – 2 ½” squares from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric
2 – 3” squares from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric (half-square tri. unit).
1 – 1” x 3” bias strip from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric for stem

2 – 2 ½” squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabric
2 – 3” squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)

Assembly: Make 4 half-square triangle units. The half-square triangle units should measure 2 ½” when finished. Appliqué the stem to one of the 2 ½” squares using you favorite technique, or see Directions below.* Lay out the pieces of the block following the diagrams below.



Row 1: Place 1 light square and 2 half-square units making sure the half-square units are turned to the correct position. Sew these together, set the seam and press the seam allowances towards the half-square triangle units.



Row 2: Place a half-square triangle unit making sure that it is turned correctly, and 2 dark squares. Sew together and set the seams and press the allowances towards the half-square triangle unit.

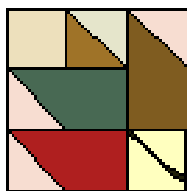


Row 3: Place a half-square triangle unit making sure that it is turned correctly, one dark square and the light square with the appliquéd stem together. Sew together, set the seams and press the seam allowances towards the stem block.

The block should measure 6 ½” square including the seam allowances.

October Block 2

Scrappy Maple Leaf
Autumn/Fall colors



The following directions are for making a Modern Maple Leaf block.

The block is composed of 3 dark pointed rectangle units, 2 light squares, and 1 half-square triangle unit. Use your favorite technique for making the half-square triangle unit.

Use fabric from your left-overs (stash).

Cut: 3 – 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangles from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric
1 – 3" square from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric (half-square tri. unit).
1 – 1" x 3" bias strip from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric for stem

5 – 2 ½" squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabric
1 – 3" square from light to light medium neutral colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)

Assembly: Make 1 half-square triangle unit. It should measure 2 ½" when finished.
Make 3 pointed rectangle units making sure that the points are in the correct position, * (see directions below). Appliqué the stem to one of the 2 ½" squares using you favorite technique or *(see directions below). Lay out the pieces of the block following the diagrams below.



Row 1: Place 1 light square and the half-square unit making sure the half-square unit is turned to the correct position. Sew these together, set the seam and press the seam allowance towards the half-square triangle unit.



Row 2: Place a rectangle unit to the bottom of row 1 and sew it to row one. Set the seam and press the allowance towards row 2.



Row 3: Place a rectangle unit to the bottom of the row 1 & 2 unit and sew it on. Set the seam and press the allowance towards row 3.



Row 4: Sew a rectangle unit and the square that has the stem appliquéed to it together. Set the seam and press the allowance towards the rectangle.



Sew the Row 4 unit to edge of the 3 rows that have already been sewn together. Set the seam and press the allowance either direction.

The block should measure 6 ½" square including the seam allowances. Depending on the way you make your half-square triangle unit you may have 1 unit left over.

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October Block 3

Sweet Gum Leaf
Autumn/Fall colors




The block is composed of 4 dark pointed rectangle units, A and B template unit and 1 half-square triangle unit. Use your favorite technique for making the half-square triangle unit and the pointed rectangle units.

Use fabric from your left-overs (stash).

Cut: 4– 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric
1 – 4" square from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)
1 – Template A from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric
1 – 1" x 6" bias strip from medium dark to dark *Autumn* colored fabric for stem

4– 2 1/2" squares from light to light medium neutral colored fabrics (pointed rectangle unit)
2 – Template B, one being reversed, light to light medium neutral colored fabrics.
1– 4" square from light to light medium neutral colored fabric (half-square tri. unit)

Assembly: Appliqué the stem onto the 4" light square diagonally, positioning it so that when cut in half it will look pleasing. Make 1 half-square triangle unit. The half-square triangle unit should measure 3 1/2" when finished.

Make 2 pointed rectangle units with the points in one direction and 2 pointed rectangle units in the other direction. Take a unit from each and sew them together to make a pointed rectangle unit that looks like this .

Sew template piece B and A together, set the seam and press seam allowance towards A. Sew the reverse B to A. Set the seam and press seam allowance towards piece B. Lay out the pieces of the block following the diagrams below.



Row 1: Place the template pieced A/B unit and 2 rectangle units that have been sewn together to form the first row. Sew these 2 units together, set the seam and press the seam allowance towards the rectangle unit.



Row 2: Place the other 2 rectangle units that have been sewn together making sure that they are turned correctly, and a half-square triangle unit that has a stem appliqué to it, checking that it is turned correctly. Sew these 2 units together and set the seams and press the allowances towards the rectangle unit.

Place the 2 rows together to form the block and sew together matching the intersection in the middle of the square. Set the seam and press the seam allowance towards the stem block.

The block should measure 6 1/2" square including the seam allowances.

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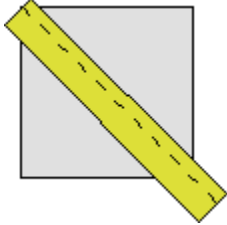
* Machine Appliquéd Stems

The following are instructions for the way that I do machine appliquéd stems.

Cut a bias 1" strip of fabric. Press it in half length-wise with wrong sides together.



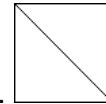
Position this onto the fabric that it will be appliquéd to. Sew it to the background fabric using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. I use matching colored threads in both the top and the bobbin.



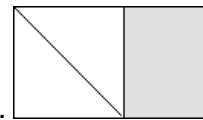
Fold the strip over the seam line and press in place. If need be trim the seam allowance so that it does not show.. Top stitch as close to the edge that has been folded over. When looking at the stem you will see only one seam along the edge of the stem. Looking at the back side you will see two seams.

*Pointed Rectangle Unit

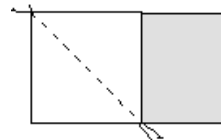
Mark the back of a light square with a diagonal line from corner to corner.



Place the marked square, with right-sides together with a rectangle.



Sew from one corner to the other on the drawn line.



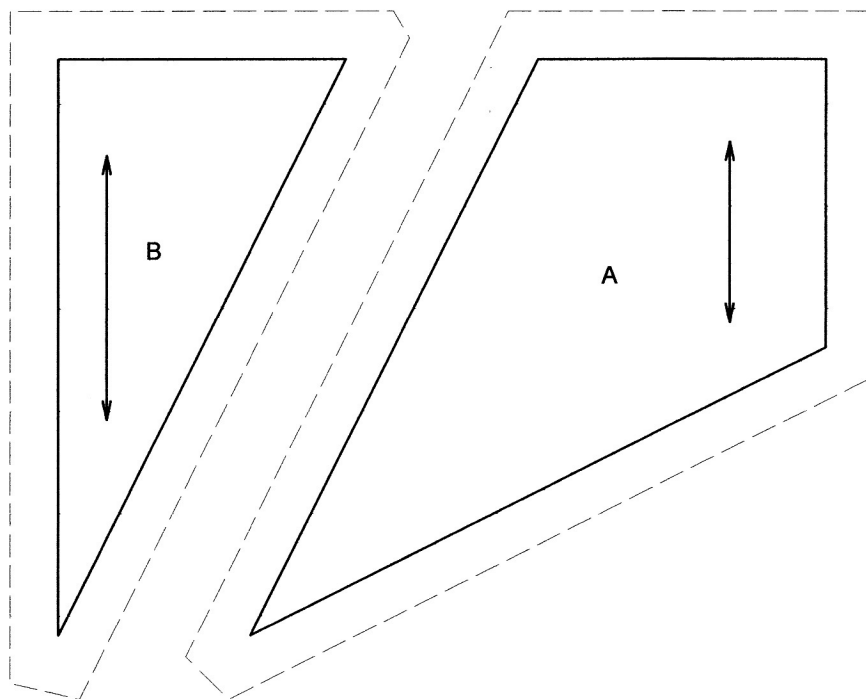
Set the seam. Trim a $\frac{1}{4}$ " allowance from the stitching line.



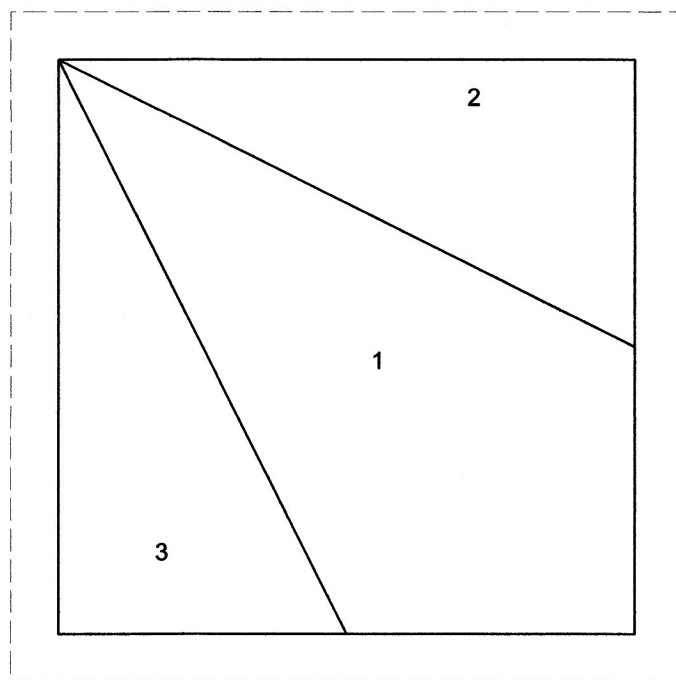
Press the light square open to form a pointed rectangle unit.



Before trimming the extra fabric off make sure that the point is in the correct position. If it is not, un-sew and reposition the square and sew again.

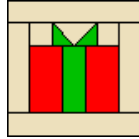


Sweet Gum Leaf Templates



November Block

Gift Wrapped Blocks



Christmas and neutral colored Scraps

Neutral Fabric:

Cut: 2 – 1 ½" x 6 ½" rectangle
2 – 1 ½" x 4 ½" rectangle
1 – 1 ½" x 2 ½" rectangle
2 – 1 ½" x 1 ½" squares

Package fabric:

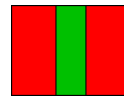
Cut: 2 – 2" x 3 ½" rectangles

Ribbon:

Cut: 1 – 1 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle
2 – 1 ½" x 1 ½" squares (bow)

Assembly:

Take a package piece (2" x 3 ½" rectangle) and the ribbon rectangle (1 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle) and sew them together. Set and press the seam allowance towards the ribbon. Sew the second package piece to the other side of the ribbon piece and set the seam and press the seam allowance towards the ribbon.



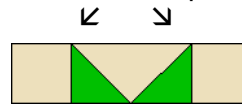
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To make the bow row: fold the ribbon squares in half diagonally with wrong-sides together. Place a folded ribbon square in each corner of the 1 ½" x 2 ½" rectangle. Place a 1 ½" square on top, right-sides together, pin and sew. Repeat for the second ribbon square. Set the seams and press the seam allowances towards the center of the piece.

diagonal fold

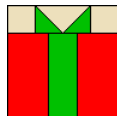


folded ribbon squares

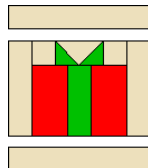


→ ← seam allowances

Sew the package and the bow units together. Set the seam and press the allowance towards the package unit.



Sew a 1 ½" x 4 ½" rectangle to each side of the package. Set the seams and press the allowances in towards the package.



Sew the 1 ½" x 6 ½" rectangles to the top and bottom of the block. Set the seams and press allowances outwards. Finished size is 6 ½" with seam allowances.

December Block 1



Ever Green Tree Block
Quick modern

For this block you will need different scraps of greens, 1 brown, and white or neutrals for the background. We will be making the tree, starting from the bottom and going to the top.

Cut: Background

2 – $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " rectangles

2 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " squares

2 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{4}$ " rectangles

2 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " rectangles

2 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

Brown

1 – $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" rectangle

Green

1 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x 3" rectangle

1 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

1 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $5\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

1 – $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

Assembly:

Take one $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " background rectangles and the brown $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" rectangle and sew them together and sew the other $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " background rectangle to the other side of the brown rectangle. You have now created the row with the tree trunk in it. Press the seam allowances towards the brown fabric.



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To make the bottom row (4th row) of the tree take the two $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " background squares mark a diagonal line on each, place a square on each end of the green $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle. Sew on the lines and trim off the excess triangles and press so the the seam allowances go towards the green (See ↑). For the next row (3rd row) you will need the two $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{4}$ " background rectangles and the green $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $5\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle. Place the rectangles on each end of the green rectangle as if you were going to make a bias continuous strip. (See ↓) Mark a 45 degree angle and sew on this line. Trim off the excess triangle and press the seam allowances towards the green tree.



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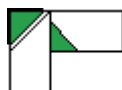
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Take make the second row take the two $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " background rectangles and place them on each end of the green $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle forming a right angle. Again as if you were going to sew a bias seam (See ↑) joining two strips of fabric together. Trim off the excess triangles and press the seam allowances towards the green.

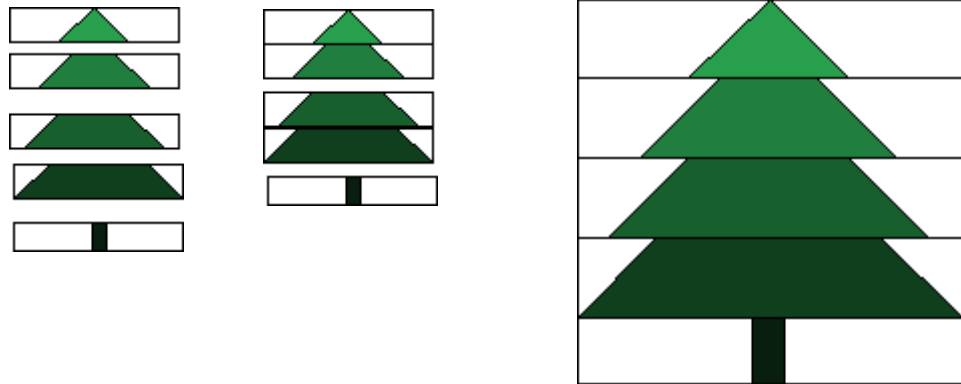
To make the tree top you will use the two $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " background rectangles and the green $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x 3" rectangle. Place one of the $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles on the green rectangle mark a diagonal line again as if you were sewing two strips together to make a bias seam. Sew on the diagonal line, trim off the excess and press the seam allowance towards the green. Place the second $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " on the other



end of the green rectangle as before and repeat the above directions.

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You are ready to sew the tree together. Sew the Tree top row and the second row together. Sew the third tree row and 4 tree rows together. Sew these two units together and sew on the tree trunk row, Set all the seams and press allowances going either up the tree or down the tree. The block should finish 6 1/2" including seam allowances.



December Block 2

Ever green Tree
traditional with templates

If you prefer using templates please find them below:

Cut - 2, of each of the templates B, D, F, H, and J from white or neutral colored fabrics these become the background. Make sure that one is reversed of the other.

Cut - 1, A from a brown or a trunk fabric

Cut - 1, C, E, G, and I from greens.

Assemble in rows:

Sew B, A & B together to form the trunk row.

Sew D, C & D together to make the bottom branch of the tree

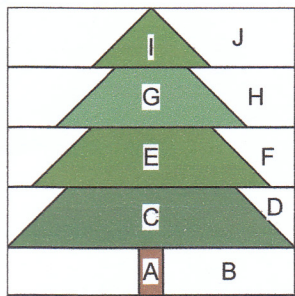
Sew F, E & F together to make the next row of the tree

Sew H, G & H together to make the next row of the tree

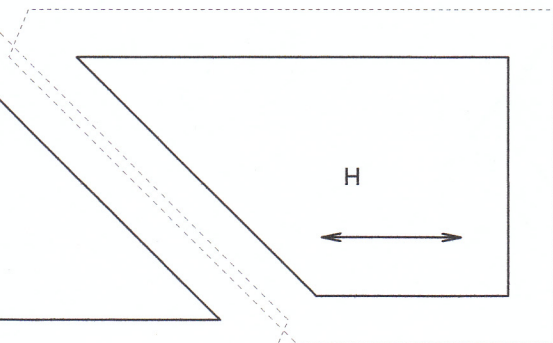
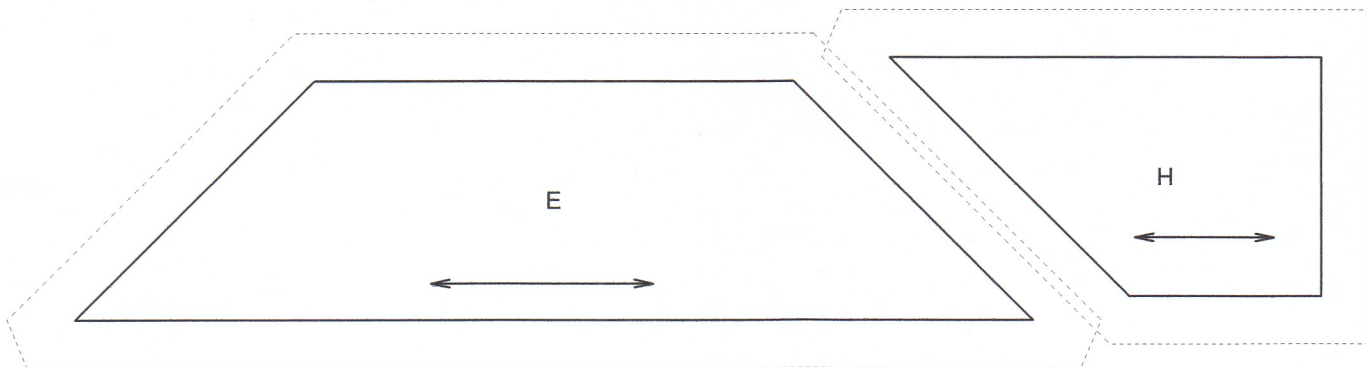
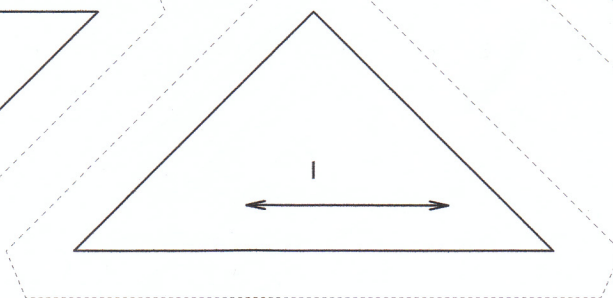
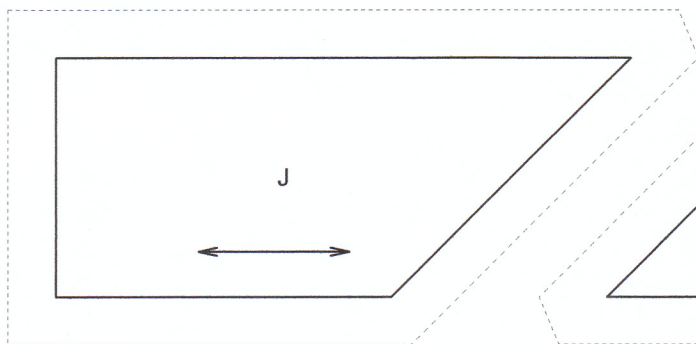
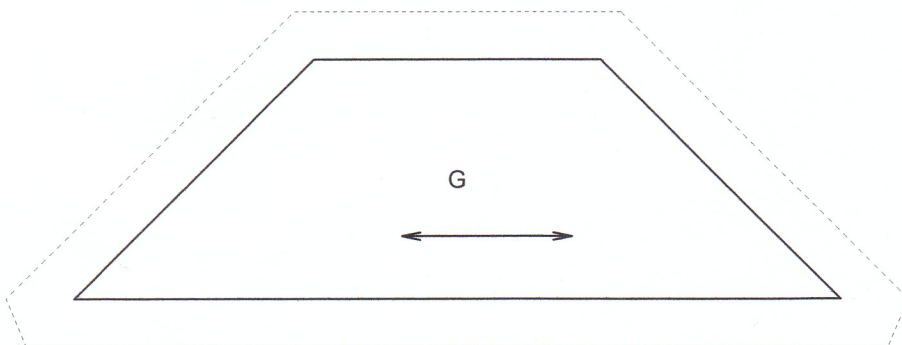
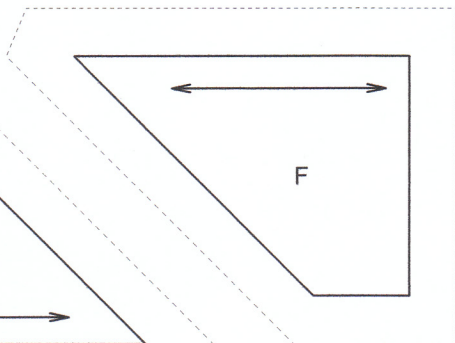
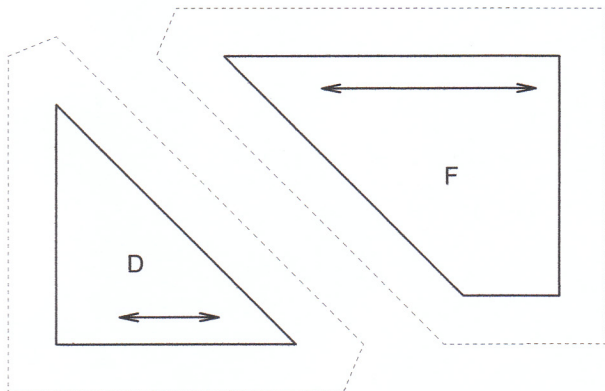
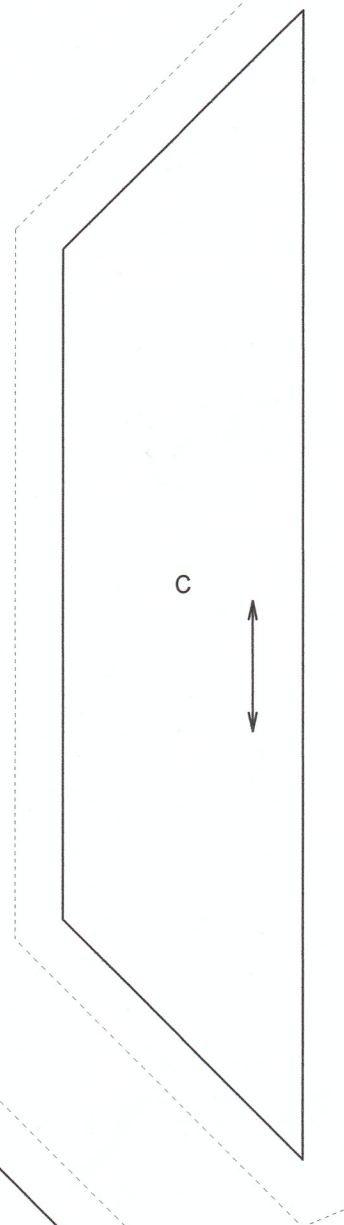
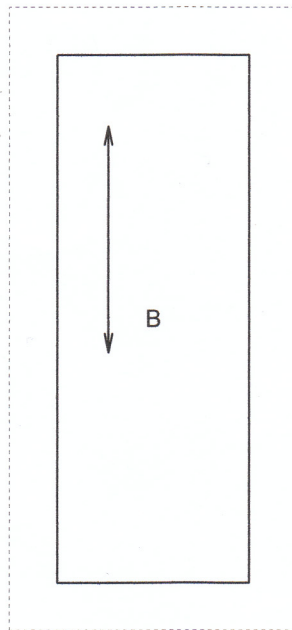
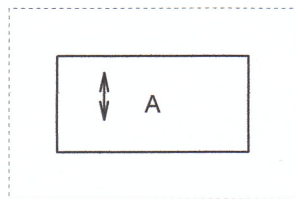
Sew J, I & J together to make the top of the tree

Sew the rows together to make the tree.

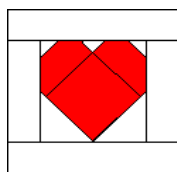
The block should finish 6 1/2" including the allowances.



Block: Pine Tree.blk
6 inches wide by 6 inches high



January Block



Heart

This heart pattern is a cut, sew, cut and sew pattern to get the shape of the heart. Once you understand the process, this pattern goes quickly and is fun to make.

Cut: Red/Pink

1 - 3" square

2 - 3" x 1 3/4" rectangles

Neutral background

1 - 1 3/4" square

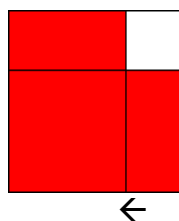
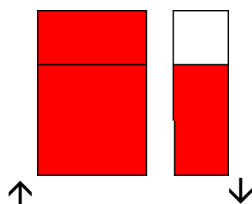
2 - 3 1/2" squares

2 - 4 1/2" x 1 1/2" strips

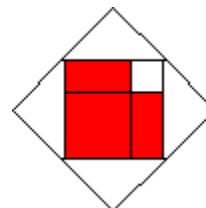
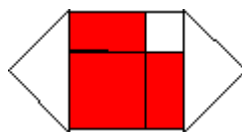
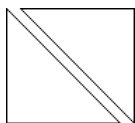
2 - 6 1/2" x 1 1/2" strips

Assembly:

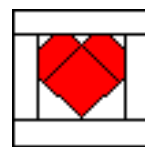
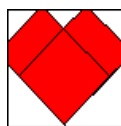
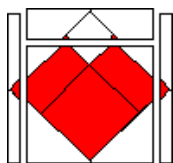
Sew a red rectangle to one edge of the red square. Press the seam allowance towards the rectangle. Sew the 1 3/4" background square to the other red rectangle. Press the seam allowance towards the rectangle. Sew these two units together and press the seam allowance towards the square rectangle unit.



Cut each 3 1/2" background square in half diagonally to form two triangles. The triangles are slightly oversized. Center each triangle before sewing. Sew a triangle on the opposite sides of the square unit. Press the seam allowances in towards the square unit. Then sew the other two triangles to the other two sides and press the seam allowances towards the triangles.



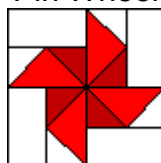
Turn the square triangle unit on point. Measure from the center points 2 1/4" and cut off the extra fabric on both sides of the unit. Measure the bottom seam allowance making sure it is at least 1/4" or slightly larger. Measure from the bottom edge up 4 1/2" and cut off the excess fabric. The unit should measure 4 1/2" square and look somewhat like a heart.



Sew a 4 1/2" strip to each side of the unit and press seam allowances towards the heart. Sew a 6 1/2" strip to the top and bottom of the unit and press the seam allowances towards the strips. The block should measure 6 1/2" including the seam allowances.

February Block

Pin Wheel



March has always been thought of as the windy month. With that thought in mind what better than a pin wheel to represent March. There are many different pin wheel patterns to choose from, but this one is a little different yet still easy to make.

Cut:

background fabric

4 - 2"x 3½"

4 - 2" squares

medium colored fabric

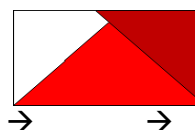
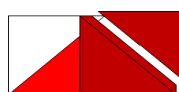
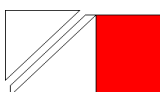
4 - 2"x 3½"

darker colored fabric

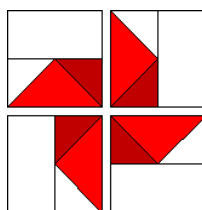
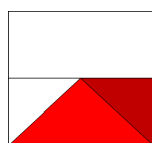
4 - 2" squares

Assembly:

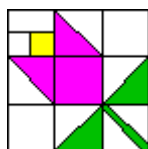
Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each of the 2" squares (both the neutral and dark squares). Sew a neutral square to one end of each medium colored rectangle, making sure that the sewn line is going at the same angle on each. Sew on the lines and trim off the excess triangles and press so the the seam allowance goes towards the colored rectangle. Sew a colored square to the other end of each rectangle making sure that the angle is going the same direction. Trim off the excess triangles and press the seam allowances towards the colored triangle.



Sew a neutral colored rectangle to each of the pieced units. Press the seam allowances towards the neutral colored rectangle. Arrange the four unites to form the pin wheel. Sew the unites together as you would a four patch.



March Block



Tulip Block

Cutting Instructions:

Background
 cut 3 - 2½" squares
 2 - 3" squares
 1 - 1½" x 2 ½" rectangle
 1 - 1½" x 1½" square

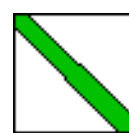
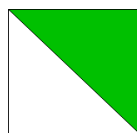
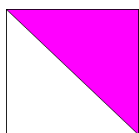
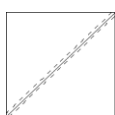
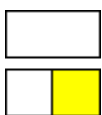
Flower Color
 cut 1 - 2 ½" square
 1 - 3" square

Flower Center (yellow)
 cut 1 - 1 ½" x 1 ½" square

Flower Leaves
 cut 1 - 3" square
 1 - 1" x 3" strip for stem

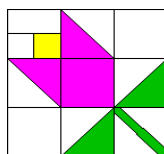
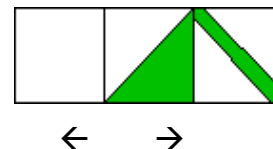
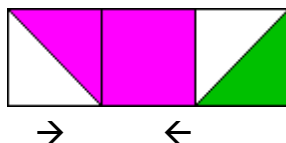
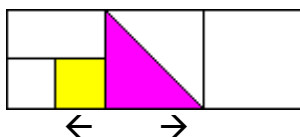
Assembly:

Sew the 1½" Flower Center square with the 1½" background square. Press the seams to the flower center piece. Sew the 1½" x 2 ½" background rectangle to this unit to form a square. Press the seams towards the rectangle.



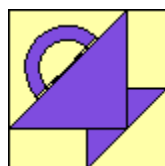
Mark a line on the wrong side of the 3" background squares. Place the Flower 3" square right-sides together with a marked background square and sew a ¼" on both sides of the marked line. Cut on the line and press the triangles open, press seam allowances towards the flower fabric and trim to make a 2½" square half-square triangle block. Repeat using the 3" leaf fabric with the other 3" background square to make 2 leaf blocks. Fold the 1"x 2½" rectangle in half length wise right-side of fabric facing out. Place this on one of the 2½" background squares, offset a little and sew using a scant ¼", fold over and stitch down covering the seam allowance to make the stem block.

Sew the Flower Center square to a flower half-square triangle block (make sure the angle of the block is correct) and a 2½" background square to make the first row. Press the seam allowances away from the half-square triangle block. To make the second row, sew the other flower half-square triangle block to the flower 2½" square and a leaf half-square triangle block (make sure the angles of these blocks are correct). Press the seam allowances towards the flower square. To make the third row sew a 2½" back ground square to a leaf half-square triangle block and the stem block checking the position of the leaf and stem blocks. Press the seam allowances away from the leaf square.



Sew the three rows together to make the block.

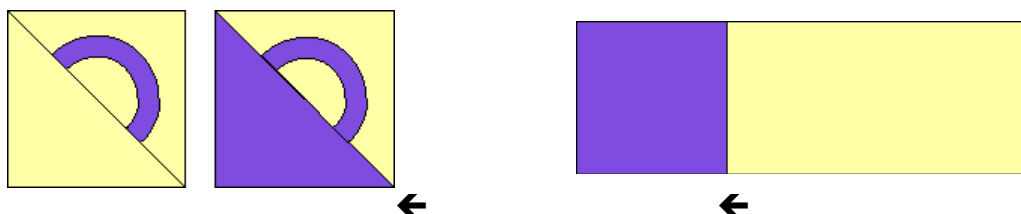
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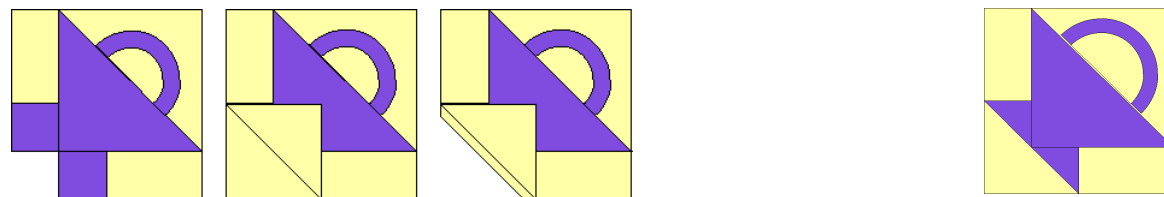
May Baskets

Cutting:	color	neutral
	1 - 5 1/2" square	1 - 5 1/2" square
	2 - 2" squares	2 - 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles
	1 - 3/4" x 8" bias strip for handle	1 - 3 1/2" square

Mark a diagonal line across the wrong side of the neutral 5 1/2" square. Use this line for a reference in placing the basket handle on the right side. Make the handle by folding the 8" strip in half (side to side) with wrong sides together and stitch in place using an 1/8" seam allowance. Make sure that the ends meet the center line. Fold the handle piece over and stitch down either by hand or machine to hide the sewn seam allowance.

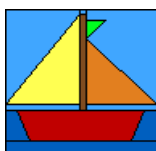


Match the right sides of both the neutral fabric with the handle sewn on and the basket fabric, and sew 1/4" from the drawn line. Make sure that the handle ends are caught in the seam. Set the seam, then cut on the line and press open. Trim this block to measure 5" square. Sew a 2" square to the end of a 2" x 3 1/2" rectangle piece. Press the seams toward the basket fabric.



Sew a pieced strip to the two sides of the basket block. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong-side of the 3 1/2" square. Place the square right-sides together with the basket unit and stitch on the drawn line. Cut off the other half of the triangle leaving a 1/4" seam allowance and then press the triangle open forming the block. The finished block should measure 6 1/2" which includes the seam allowances.

May Block



Sail boat

This block can be made dimensional with the use of three templates or with more templates. You decide as there will be instructions for both ways. Hope you have fun.

Cutting Instructions:

Water 1 - $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" Strip
1 - $3\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " (cut K & L from this)

Sky left side 1 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " or J
sky under sail 1 - $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ "
right side 1 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " or E
sky under sail 1 - $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ "
top of mast 1 - $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ "

Boat 1 - $5\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " (cut template A from this)

Mast 1 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ "

Left sail 1 - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " or template D

Right 1 - $3\frac{1}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " or template C

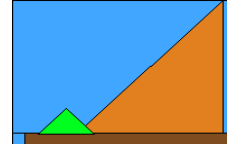
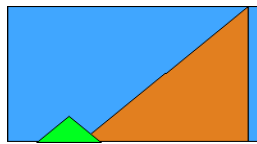
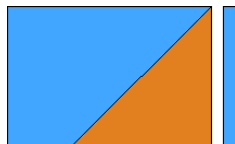
Small sail 1 - $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ "

Dimensional assembly:

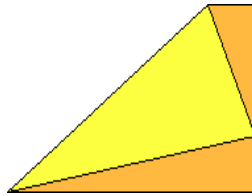
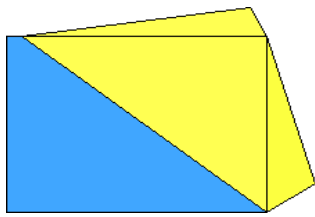
To assemble the boat and water use template A to cut the boat piece from the $5\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " strip and templates K & L to cut the water pieces from the $3\frac{3}{4}$ " x $1\frac{3}{4}$ " piece. Sew the water ends to the boat ends and then sew the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" water strip to the bottom of the boat.



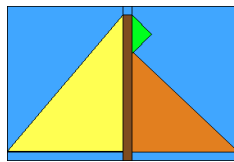
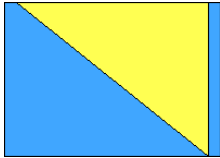
To make the center mast/sky unit sew the $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ " sky piece to the $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ ". To make the right side of the sky/sail unit fold the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square in half to make a triangle and then in half again so that only one side of the triangle has raw edges. Fold the $3\frac{1}{4}$ " square in half to form a triangle and place this triangle so the raw edges will be on the left side and bottom of the sky piece. Place the $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{4}$ " under sky piece along the bottom edge with right sides together and sew these three pieces together. Set seam and press the seam allowance towards the sail/sky piece. Place the small folded sail above the larger sail with seam allowances overlapping and pin in place. Place the mast/sky unit right sides together with the sail/sky unit and sew these together.



The dimensional left sail/sky unit is a little tricky. Place the sail right sides together with the sky fabric. Fold the sail as if you were going to fold it in half, place the top edge of the sail so the folded point is on the edge of the sky fabric and then keep shifting the fabric until the fold meets the other edge. The fold will be a wonky bias fold.



Sail on sky with wonky fold. Back side of the sail so you can see wrong side of sail fabric, Trim off the excess sail fabric. Place this triangle so the raw edges will be on the right side and bottom of the sky piece. Place the $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " under sky piece along the bottom edge with right sides together and sew these three pieces together. Set seam and press the seam allowance towards the sail/sky piece. Sew this sail/sky unit to the left side of the mast/sail unit. Set seams and press the seam allowance towards the mas/sky unit. Sew the water/boat unit to the sail/sky units. Should measure including seam allowances $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

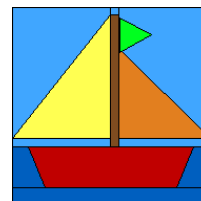
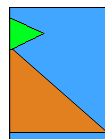
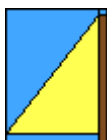


To template piece you will use templates A, C, D, E, J, K, & L. Please refer to the cutting instructions so you know what templates to use with the pieces.

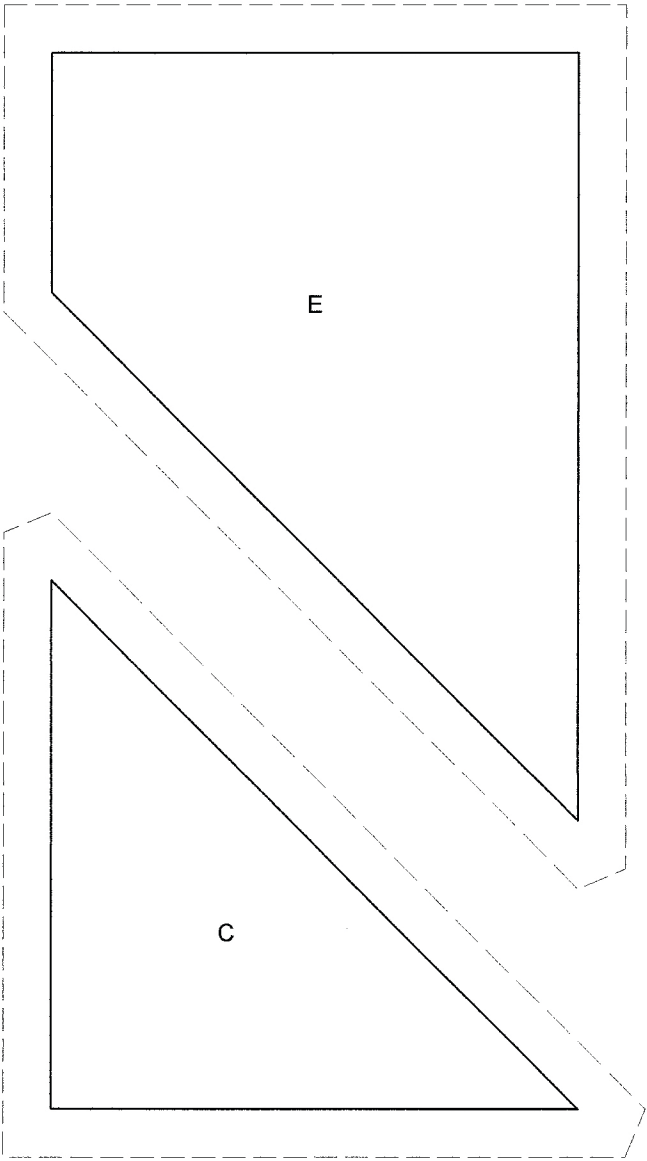
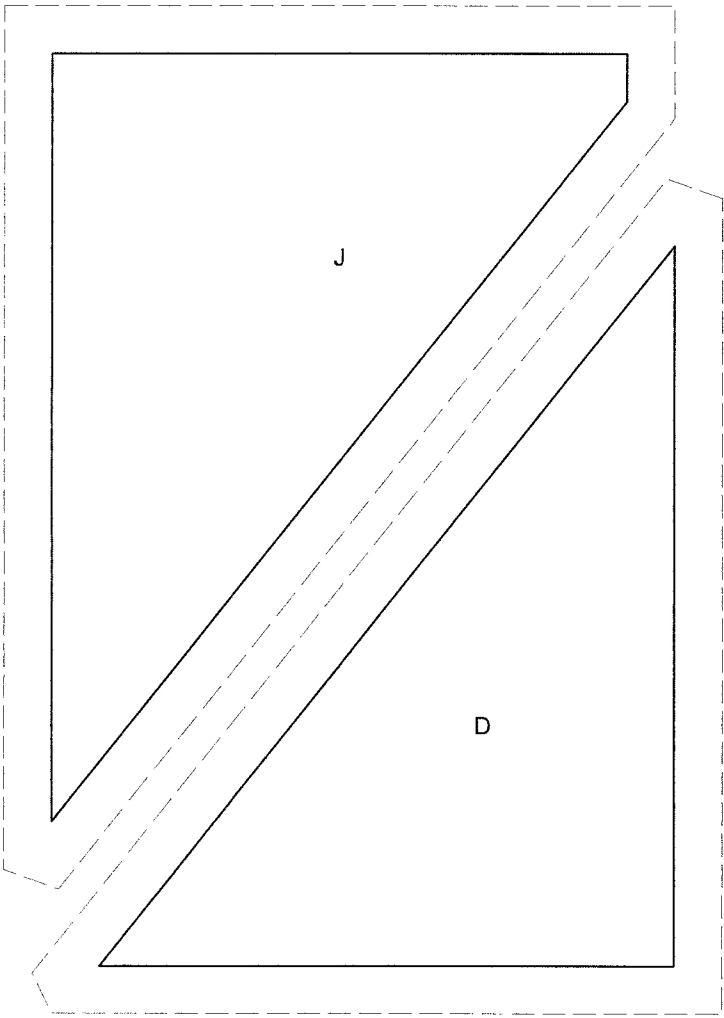
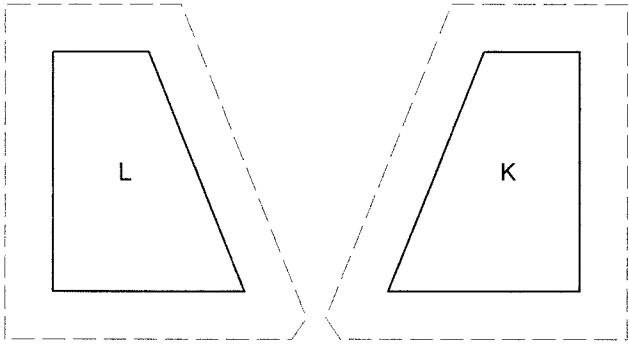
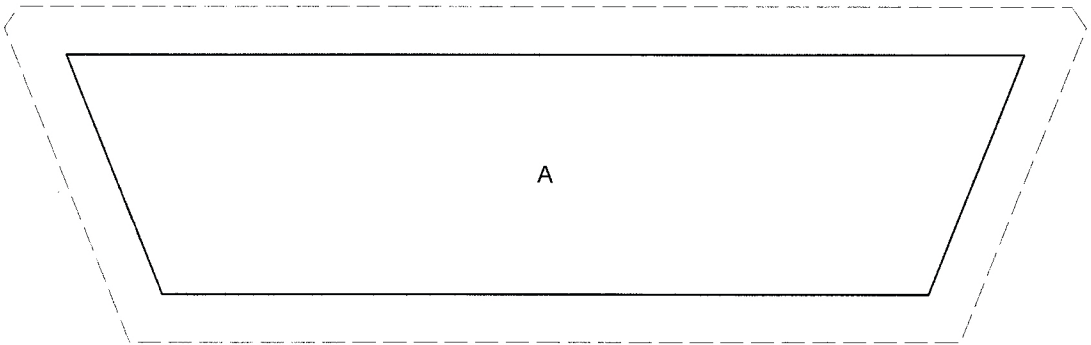
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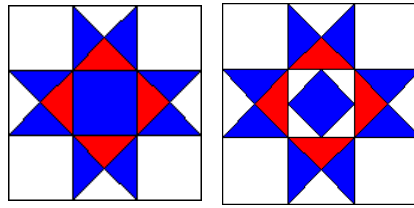
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Sail Boat Templates



June Block



The block for July is a Traditional Ohio Star or an Ohio Star with a Square in a Square center. Directions will be for both Stars. You can choose which to make.

Cutting Directions:

Background (white) 4 - 2½" x 2½"
(for square in a square center) 2 - 1 7/8" x 1 7/8"
1 - 3½" x 3½"
Square (red) 1 - 3½" x 3½"

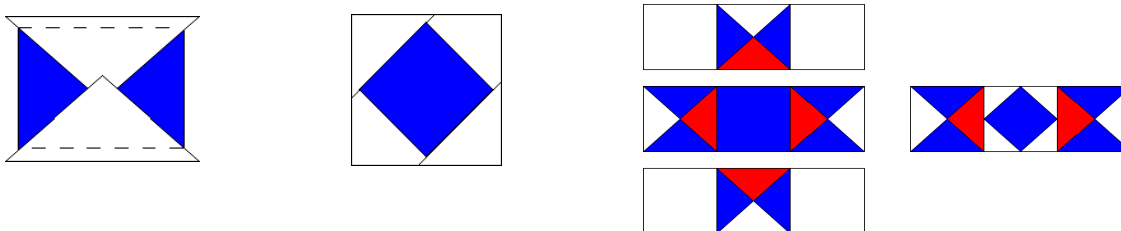
Star points (blue) 2 - 3½" x 3½"
(for square in a square center) 1 - 2" x 2"
Solid center 1 - 2½" x 2½"

Use the two blue 3½" squares, each of the white and red 3½" to make four half-square triangle units. Do not trim. Press the seam allowed towards the blue fabric. Place a blue/white unit with right-sides together with a blue/red unit. The red triangle should face the the blue triangle and the white triangle should face the other blue triangle. Nestle the center seams. Mark a diagonal line and stitch the two together using a ¼" seam allowance on each side of the marked line.



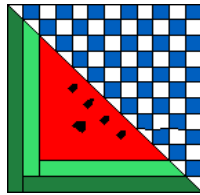
Set the seam and then cut along the drawn line. Press open seam allowances towards the red fabric. Trim the edges centering the seams so they measure 2½" square. The star points are made. Commonly known as an Hour-glass block.

If making the square in a square center cut the two 1 7/8" squares in half diagonally. Sew one half of each triangle to an edge of the 2" x 2" center square. Trim off the points that go beyond the square to eliminate excess fabric and bulk. Set and press. Trim this square to 2½" square centering the inner points.



To assemble the block: First and Third rows are the same. Sew a 2½" White square to an Hour-glass block, make sure that the points are in the correct position, sew another white square to the end of the row. To make the center row sew an Hour-glass square to either a plain 2½" square of the blue or to the 2½" Square in a Square square, and sew a Hour-glass square to finish out the row. Make sure that the points on the Hour-glass blocks are in the correct positions. Sew the rows together to make the block. The block should measure 6½" with the seam allowances.

July Block



Watermelon Block
for August

Cutting:

Checked or plaid fabric for table cloth 1 - 7" x 7"

Light Green 1 - 1" x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

1 - 1" x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

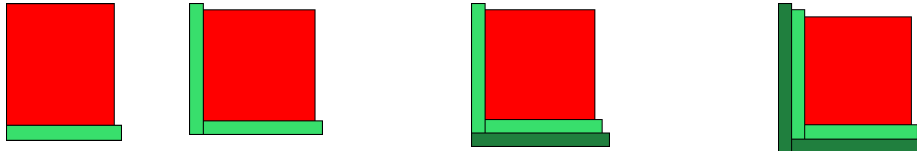
Red 1 - 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ "

Dark Green 1 - 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

1 - 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

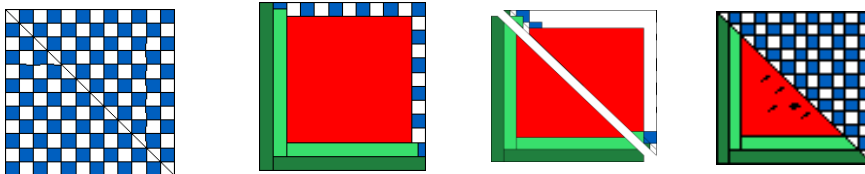
Assembly:

Begin by sewing the light green 1" x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " to one edge of the red 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ " x 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Match the end of the strip to the edge of the block. The green strip will be too long but do not cut off the extra on the end yet. Set the seams and press the allowances to either side. Match the end of the



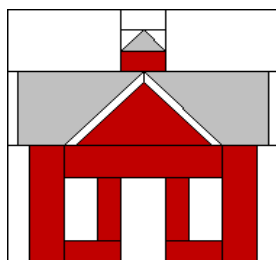
1" x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " light green strip to the corner of the red square and light green strip. This will make a lapped corner and the other end will be too long again. Repeat the above directions for the two dark green strips starting with the 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " dark green strip.

On the wrong side of the 7" square make a diagonal line. With right sides together place the marked square on the pieced triangle unit. (illustration underneath view) Sew the triangle



unit and the 7" square together on the drawn line. Cut off the partial side of the red and green unit and the half of the 7" square leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Set the seams and press towards the plaid fabric. The finished block should measure 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square with the seam allowances.

August Block



School House Block

This School House block will be the most challenging block of the series to make. Using a few of the templates will help make this block easier to piece. I have included all of the templates so you can choose to template piece the whole block if you like. When constructing my block I used a combination of the cutting pieces and templates. The letters correspond to the templates, but I have used the letters to refer to the pieces being used to assemble the block. *Here are a couple of tips:* Starch your fabric till it is stiff, and use a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

Cutting:

School building (red)

A - 2 - 1" x 2"

C - 2 - 1" x 1½"

E - 1 - 1¼" x 4"

F - 2 - 1¼" x 3¼"

H - 1 - 3" square (used template)

L - 1 - 1½" x 1

Background/Sky

G - 2 - 1" x 3¼"

K - 2 - ¾" x 2¼"

L - 1 - 1½" x 1

N - 2 - or 1 - 1⅜" square (used template)

O - 2 - 3" x 2"

Windows

B - 2 - 1¼" x 2"

Door and Trim

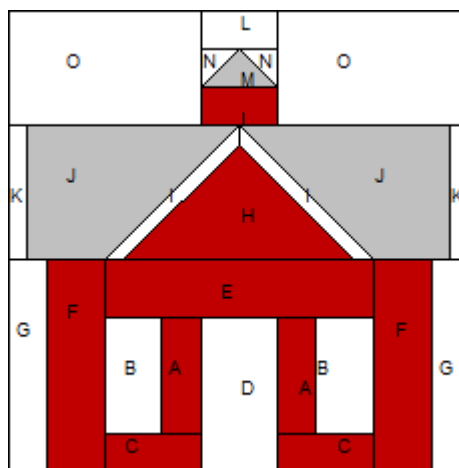
D - 1 - 1¼" x 2½"

I - 2 - ¾" x 4"

Roof

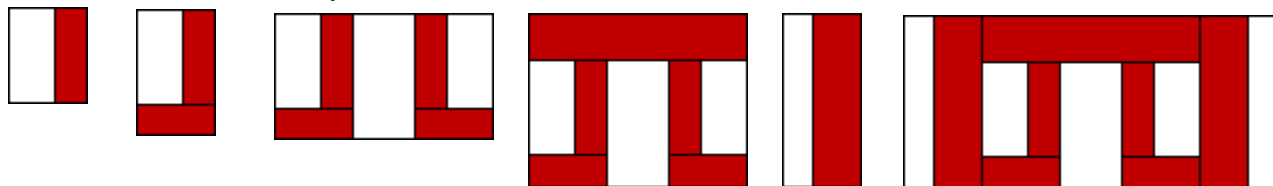
J - 2 - 3¾" x 2¼" (1 - reversed)

M - 1 - 1" x 1¾" (used templates for both J and M)

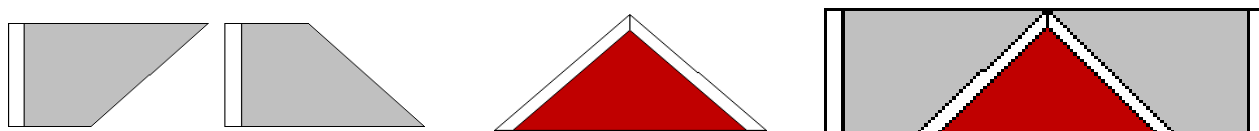


Sew pieces A and B together press seam allowances towards the school fabric. Sew C to one end of the AB unit. Make sure that one AB unit is reversed. Sew D between the ABC units. Press the seam allowances towards the school fabric. Sew E to the ABCD unit. Press

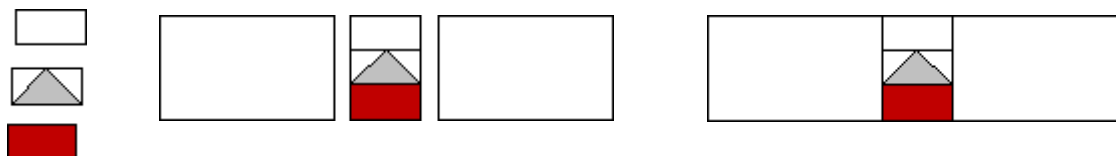
the seam allowance towards the school fabric. Sew F and G pieces together. Press seam allowance towards the school fabric. Sew the FG units to each end of the pieced ABCDE unit. Press seam allowances towards the school fabric. The bottom part of the school is finished. See the assembly illustrations below.



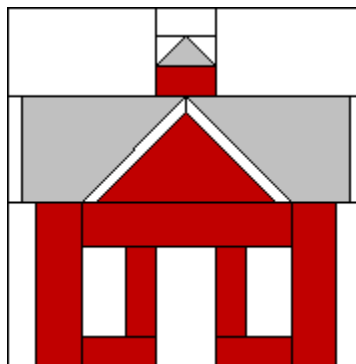
Sew K to J, press seam allowances towards the roof fabric. Use the H template to cut the piece or cut the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square in half diagonally to make the H piece. Sew the I pieces onto the edges of the H piece that form a square corner. If you are not using the templates it is okay if the corner is not mitered. If using the templates the corner will be mitered as in the illustration.

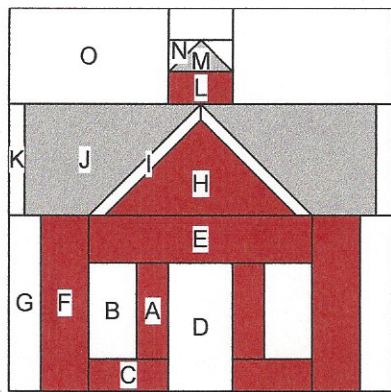


Draw a diagonal line on the wrong sides of the $1\frac{3}{8}$ " square of sky fabric and cut on this line or use template N to cut the pieces. Place a triangle right sides together with the $1" \times 1\frac{3}{4}"$ (M) roof piece. Sew leaving a $\frac{1}{4}"$ from the cut line, set the seam and trim off the extra fabric. Place the other triangle sky fabric right sides together with the other end of the roof rectangle, making sure that it is placed correctly. sew, set and trim. You have made a flying goose block. Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 1"$ (L) sky fabric to the sky edge of the flying goose block. Place right sides together the $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 1"$ (L) school fabric to the flying goose block and sew along the roof edge. Now the bell tower is finished. Sew a Sky $3" \times 2"$ (O) to each side of the bell tower.



Now sew the three sections of the block together. The finished size of the block is $6\frac{1}{2}"$ including the seam allowances.





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