

# Sierra Quilt Guild

## Block of the Month February 2017

### Disappearing Nine Patch

This block measures 10" finished (10 1/2" unfinished). All seams are sewn at 1/4".

#### Fabric Requirements

- four different Black on White 4-inch squares
- four different White on Black 4-inch squares
- one 4-inch square of a bright multi-color such as Kaffe's Paperweight.



#### Step One:

Using the color placement as shown on the left, make a nine-patch block. That is 1) stitch the 3 blocks in the left column together, press seams open; stitch the 3 blocks in the center column together, press seams open; stitch the 3 blocks in the right column together, press seams open. 2) Stitch the 3 columns together and press seams open. The corner squares are Black on White, the squares that make up the cross shape are White on Black and the Kaffe fabric is the center square. Your block should now measure 11".

#### Step Two:

Mark the middle point of all 4 sides; they should be at 5 1/2" along each side. Make a horizontal cut through the side marks, don't move anything, and then make a vertical cut through the top and bottom marks. The placement of the cuts can be seen in the photo and appear as green (the color of the cutting mat). Don't move anything yet!



#### Step Three:

Rotate the upper left and lower right pieces 180 degrees so that the Kaffe parts of those 2 blocks are now at the outside corners. The upper right and lower left pieces don't move.

#### Step Four:

Sew the pieces back together just as they are placed using a 1/4" seam. That is 1) stitch the 2 blocks in the left column together, press seams open. Then stitch the 2 blocks in the right column together, press seams open. 2) Stitch the 2 columns together, press seams open. Your block should now measure 10 1/2".

