

April 2014 Block of the Month

Buttercup

12" finished block

Fabric Colors: Red and Green with a neutral (tan, white, etc.) background fabric.

Use 2 values of Red: a medium to medium dark value and a light value.

Cutting Instructions

Medium-medium dark Red

Cut 1 square 3-1/2"

Cut 1 square 3-7/8"

Light Red

Cut 1 square 2-1/2"

Cut 2 strips each 2" x 9-1/2"

Cut 2 strips each 2" x 12-1/2"

Green Fabric

Cut 1 square 3-7/8"

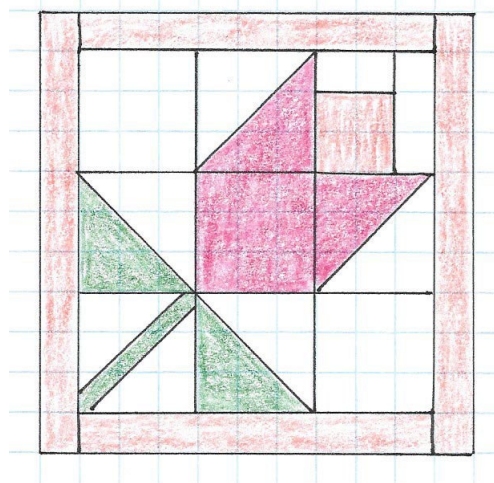
Cut 1 rectangle 1" x 5" for stem

Background Fabric

Cut 3 squares each 3-1/2"

Cut 2 squares each 3-7/8"

Cut 1 rectangle 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" and 1 rectangle 1-1/2" x 3-1/2"



Sewing the Blocks

1. Place a 3-7/8" Red square right sides together with a 3-7/8" Background square. Draw a diagonal line & sew a scant 1/4" on each side of the drawn line.
2. Cut apart on the drawn line & press to the Red triangle.
3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 with Green 3-7/8" square & a 3-7/8" Background square. Press to the Green triangle.
4. Press under a 1/4" seam allowance on each side of the Green 3/4" x 5" stem strip. Center the strip diagonally on a 3-1/2" Background fabric square. Sew down each side by machine or by hand.
5. Sew the 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" Background strip to the top of the Light Red square. Press toward the Background strip.
6. Sew the 1-1/2" x 3-1/2" Background strip to the side of the Light Red square. Press toward the Background strip.
7. Place your completed squares from steps 1 thru 6 as shown by the black lines in the picture above and sew the rows together. Press rows 1 & 3 to the right. Press the center row to the left. Then, sew the 3 rows together to complete the block. It will measure 9-1/2".
8. Sew a 2" x 9-1/2" Light Red strip to the top and the bottom of the block. Press to the Light Red strips.
9. Sew a 2" x 12-1/2" Light Red strip to each side of the block. Press to the Light Red strips.

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