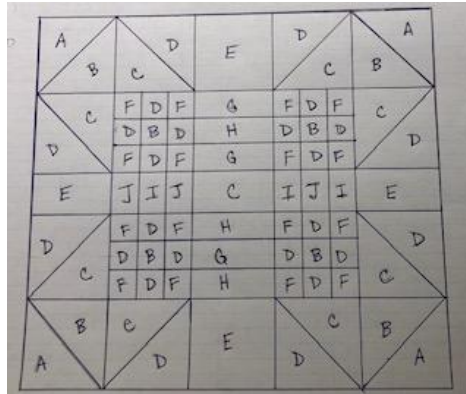


Sierra Quilt Guild 30th Anniversary Challenge Quilt Block 8

The completed block measures 15 ½" x 13 ¾" unfinished (15" x 13 ¼" finished)



Fabric Requirements:

Fabric A: Two (2) 4" x 4" squares

Fabric B: Two (2) 4" x 4" squares
One (1) 1 ½" x 8" strip

Fabric C: One (1) 8" x 8" square
One (1) 3 ½" x 2" rectangle

Fabric D: One (1) 8" x 8" square
One (1) 1 ½" x 14" strip
Two (2) 1 ½" x 8" strips

Fabric E: Two (2) 3 ½" x 3 ½" square
Two (2) 3 ½" x 2" rectangles

Fabric F: Two (2) 1 ½" x 14" strip

Fabric G: Three (3) 3 ½" x 1 ½" rectangles

Fabric H: Three (3) 3 ½" x 1 ½" rectangles

Fabric I: Three (3) 1 ½" x 2" rectangles

Fabric J: Three (3) 1 ½" x 2" rectangles

•••It is recommended that you mark A, B, C, etc. lightly in pencil on the back of your pieces.•••

Step 1 – Making the C/D HST's (Making 8 a time)

Note: Using a small Omnigrd™ ruler that has a centerline ¼" from the sides of the ruler is very helpful when making these half-square triangles(HST's).

Place one (1) 8" x 8" square of **Fabric C** right sides together with one (1) 8"x 8" square of **Fabric D**. Draw lines on the fabric as shown in photos 1 and 2 below. Stitch on the drawn lines.

Note: This method makes 8 HST's.



Now cut the square apart on the cutting lines shown in [photos 4 and 5](#). The next step is to cut between the stitching lines as shown in [photo 6](#).

Photo 4

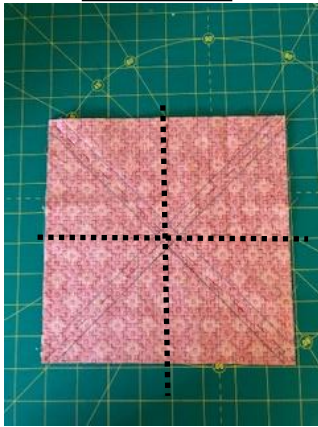


Photo 5



Photo 6

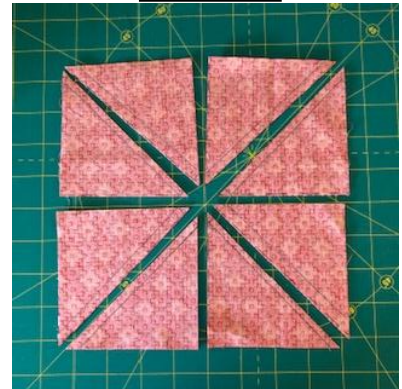


Photo 7



Press HST's open and trim to 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" square. ([photo 7](#))

Step 2 – Making the A/B HST's

Note: This method makes two half-square triangles at time.

Place one (1) 4" x 4" square of **Fabric A** right sides together with one (1) 4" x 4" square of **Fabric B**.

Draw lines on the fabric as shown in [photo 8](#) below. Stitch on the drawn lines. Cut between your stitched lines ([photo 9](#)). Press HST's open and trim to 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" square ([photo 10](#)).

Photo 8



Photo 9



Photo 10



Step 3 – Stitching the “checkerboard” units:

Take the 14” strips (**Fabrics D & F**) and sew the strips together so that the **Fabric D** strip is in the middle between the two **Fabric F** strips. Press. Cut eight (8) 1 ½” segments from the **FD** strip. (photo 11).

Photo 11



Repeat the above with the 8” strips of **Fabrics B and D** making a **D/B/D** strip. Cut four (4) 1 ½” segments from the **D/B/D** strip.

Now sew two **F/D/F** segments to both sides of a **D/B/D** segment as shown in photo 12.

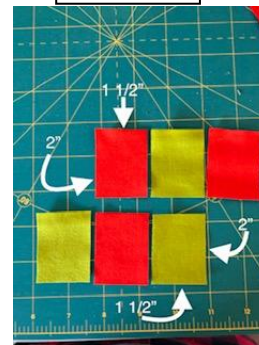
Photo 12



Step 4 – Stitching the J/I/J units:

Take the 1 ½” x 2” pieces of **Fabrics I and J** and sew them together into one (1) **J/I/J** segment and one (1) **I/J/I** unit. (Photo 13)

Photo 13



Step 5 – Stitching the G/H/G and H/G/H units:

Take the 3 ½” x 1 ½” rectangles of **Fabrics G and H** and sew them together one (1) **G/H/G** segment and one (1) **H/G/H** unit.

Step 6 – Assembling the block:

Using a flat surface or a design wall, lay out your pieces, segments and units according to the block layout at the top of page 1.

Photo 14

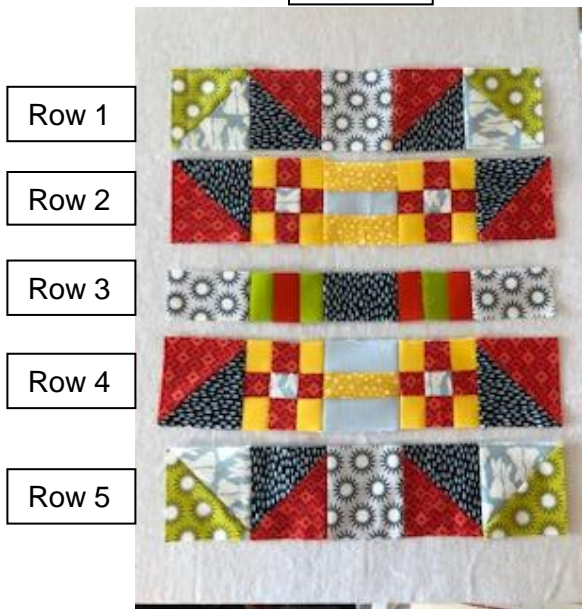


Begin by sewing the **A/B** units to **C/D** units. You should have four (4) **A/BCD** units.

Next, sew the remaining **C/D** units to the checkerboard” units. You should have four (4) of these units.

Sew two of the **A/B/C/D** units to both sides of the **Fabric E** 3 ½” x 3 ½” square completing row #1 and row #5 of the block. (See photo 15)

Photo 15



Sew two (2) **C/D/checkerboard** units to both sides of the **G/H/G** unit and two (2) **C/D/checkerboard** units to both sides of the **H/G/H** units. This will complete rows #2 and #4.

Complete row #3 by sewing a **Fabric E** 3 ½" x 2" rectangle to the **J/I/J** unit.

Sew the remaining **Fabric E** 3 ½" x 2" rectangle to the **I/J/I** unit.

Now sew the **E/J/I/J** unit to one side of the **Fabric C** 3 ½" x 2" rectangle.

Sew the **E/I/J/I** unit to the other side of the **Fabric C** rectangle.

Sew rows #1 - #5 together matching seams. Press.

Trim block to 15 ½" x 13 ¾"



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