

September's Block Square and a Half



White or Cream background fabric
 Yellow, red, purple and green 1930's fabric
 (or colors of your choice)

Let's begin and make the Square and a Half block! Scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam throughout. Finished block with seam allowance will measure $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " square. Follow the cutting instructions for the pieces you need to construct this block. There is only one block for this month.

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

Then cut in half corner to corner to form 4 triangles (A triangle)

8- $2 \frac{7}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares (A-square)

4 – $2 \frac{7}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares (D)

1 – $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " x $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " square

Then cut in half corner to corner, and then corner to corner again to form 4 triangles (C)

From Yellow 1930's fabric cut:

1 – $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " x $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " square

Then cut in half corner to corner, and then corner to corner again to form 4 triangles (C)

From Red 1930's fabric cut:

2 – $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " x $3 \frac{5}{8}$ " square

Then cut in half corner to corner, and then corner to corner again to form 8 triangles (C)

From Background fabric cut:

4 – $2 \frac{7}{8}$ " x $7 \frac{5}{8}$ " rectangles (B)

Let's begin! It is helpful to lay the pieces out as they will be sewn in the block while stitching along.

- Sew red triangle C and yellow triangle C together along the right angle side, right side sides together. Press. Make 4.
- Sew red triangle C and purple triangle C together along the right angle side, right sides together. Press. Make 4.
- Sew the C pieced triangles together to form an hour glass block.
- Following the diagram and picture of the block, sew the D and pieced C (hour glass blocks) together to form the center star of the block.
- Sew the purple triangle A and green triangle A along the diagonal edge right sides together. Press.
- Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the 'A' squares. Then line up the A square and B rectangle right sides together and sew corner to corner on the line. Trim away the excess fabric. Press. Repeat on the other end to form an A/B rectangle. (diagram 1) Make 4.

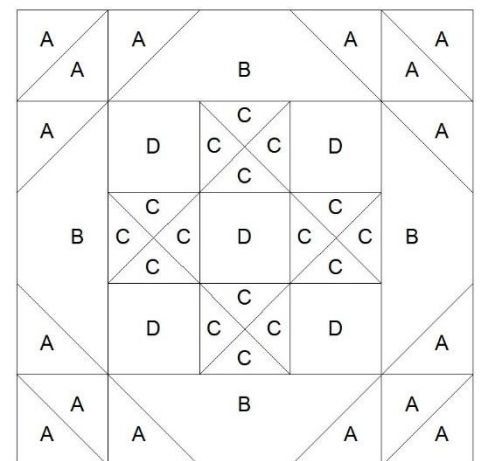


Diagram 1



- Sew the block together following diagram 2

Diagram 2

