Block of The Month 2023: Block #10

Here is our next log cabin variation -- called the Greek Key block. The 2023 focus fabric is from Hoffman and is called Paint Impressions. In addition to the focus fabric, you will need a white fabric and three additional coordinating fabrics based on the colors in the focus fabric. Remember, all our blocks end up 12.5" X 12.5" (a 12" finished block.) We will have the focus fabric available for sale at guild meetings for \$3 per fat quarter. Also, the Guild's website and Facebook page should have a post directing you to the YouTube instructions for this block.

Cut list -- For one block: Strip widths are all 2"

White: 2" X 45" strip (sub-cut into these lengths: 2", 3.5", 5", 6.5", 8", 9.5", & 11"

Focus Fabric: 2" X 7" strip (sub-cut into 2" & 5" strips)
Coord. fabric one: 2" X 11.5" strip (sub-cut into 3.5" & 8" strips)
Coord. fabric two: 2" X 17.5" strip (sub-cut into 6.5" & 11"

strips)

Coord. fabric three: 2" X 22" strip (sub-cut into 9.5" & 12.5" strips)

Assembling the block: Use a scant quarter inch seam. Press to the newly added fabric unless other is mentioned.

Step one: join focus fabric 2" square with white 2" square. Press to the
focus fabric. Orient this new unit in front of you with the focus fabric on
top. This is how you will orient it after each piece is added (as
shown in the photos.) Generally, we will be adding pieces in a
clockwise direction, but a couple of times we must backup

clockwise direction, but a couple of times we must backup and add a piece before continuing clockwise. Now add a white 3.5" strip (piece 3) to the right side, press. (Photo 2.) Add coord. fabric one 3.5" strip (piece 4) to the bottom side, press. Add focus fabric 5" strip (piece 5) to the left side, press. Add white 5" strip (piece 6) to the top, press.

- Now we have to backup and add the white 6.5" strip (piece 7) to the left side, press, then keep adding pieces in the following order: add coord. fabric two 6.5" strip (piece 8 in photo 3) to the top, press, add coord. fabric one 8" strip (piece 9) to the right side, press, add white 8" strip (piece 10) to the bottom, press.
- At this point we have to backup again and add the white 9.5" strip (piece 11) to the right side, press, then keep adding pieces in the following order: add coord. fabric three 9.5" strip (piece 12) to the bottom, press, add coord. fabric two 11" strip (piece 13) to the left side, press, add white 11" strip (piece 14) to the top, press, and finally add coord. fabric three 12.5" strip (piece 15) to the right side and press.
- If your pieces don't fit check your seam allowance they should fit exactly.

Use your 12½" X 12½" square up ruler, place it over the block. It should be 12.5" square.





Photo 2



Photo 3



Link to YouTube

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