Block of The Month 2022: Block #10

To get started, here are the fabrics you need: your focus fabric, one to four coordinating fabrics based on the colors in the focus fabric, and a white fabric. Pick ones that contrast with each other. Remember, all our blocks end up 12.5" X 12.5" (a 12" finished block.) These blocks are not due until November.

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

Fabric 1 (focus fabric) – One strip 1.5" X 21"

Fabric 2 (white) – One 4.25" square; Two 3.75" squares; Four 4.75" squares **Fabric 3** (coordinating fabrics) – Four 3.75" squares (can be same or different colors

Sewing the block: Use a quarter inch seam

Step 1: Make one sub-block 1

 Using the one white 4.25" square we need to frame the square with the focus fabric strip. You can use your favorite method – I sewed either side of the square to the strip and cut off the extra strip, pressed to the focus fabric, then sewed the focus fabric to the remaining two sides and press again to the focus fabric.

Step 2: Make four sub-block 2's

Cut all 3.75" squares (two white & four coordinating fabric) on one diagonal. Lay your pieces out as shown in photo 2. Note that there is a sub-block 2 within each sub-block 3. When arranging the coordinating fabric triangles, the hypotenuse of the triangle attaches to two adjacent sides of the white 4.75" squares. After you get the look you like, remove the white triangles and sub-block 1. Sew the coordinating fabric triangle to the sides of each white square. Start sewing from the side of the square where the colors do not meet – lining up the end of the triangle so it extends 1/4" above the white square. The extra length (if any) will extend off the end. Press open. Now check the edge of these blocks where the two triangles meet (photo 3). Trim this edge to remove flags and make sure there is no more than 1/4" of coordinating fabric above the corner of the white fabric.

Step 3: Make two sub-block 3's

• With two of the sub-blocks 2's (from opposite corners) we are going to add the white triangle pieces. The right-angle corner of the triangles aligns with the right-angle edges of the coordinating fabric and when attached, create a large triangle (photo 2). Sew on these triangles, matching the corner of the triangle and the coordinating fabric (photo 4.) Press open seams.

Step 4: Assemble final block

- Refer to the final block and arrange all the pieces so they roughly match the look of the final block. Sew a sub-block 2 to opposite sides of sub-block 1. Center sub-block 2 on the edge of sub-block 1 with the coordinating fabric edge meeting the focus fabric. Press seams open.
- Now sew the sub-block 3's to the two remaining sides of sub-block 1. Center these on the edge. Press the seams open.
- Now to square it up. Use your 12.5" X 12.5" square up ruler, place it over the block. Make sure there is fabric under all parts of the ruler and trim to 12.5" X 12.5".

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Link to YouTube