

## Block of The Month 2020: Block #10

This month's block was imagined by Adriane. This year's focus fabric is called Western Washington Quilt Shop Hop 2017 by In the Beginning fabrics. These blocks are due at the November 2020 meeting or possibly next year.

In addition to the focus fabric (we will have half yards for \$5 at the meeting or contact us if you need some), you also need a coordinating fabric based on the colors in the focus fabric, a black fabric and a white fabric.

We encourage you to make two blocks, one to enter in the drawing and one to keep. 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: (Read the instructions before cutting.)

You get to choose the number of strips of each fabric, but you need at least one strip of each. Cut a total of 10 pieces for each block. Each strip should 3" X 8". We recommend you only use one strip of focus fabric in each block.

### Assembling the block: (use a 1/4" seam)

- First stack the pieces of fabric facing up. Mix up the fabrics in the stack. Plan to cut all pieces at once or in groups of at least three, see photo 2. Make two cuts. You can make them all the same cut by using cut pieces as guides or make different cuts in each stack. The only thing to remember is if the cuts are different, in the next step you can only use pieces with the same cut to mix up and reassemble.
- Take all the sub-pieces that have been cut the same – keep the three stacks in order (left – middle - right.) Pick one piece from each stack and arrange to make a new rectangle with a mixture of fabrics in each rectangle. Do this with all sub-pieces so you have ten new rectangles. Sew these rectangles back together. Photo 3 shows how you need to offset pieces cut at an angle. When you put your piece under the presser foot the "v" where the two intersect should be right where the needle will sew. Press seams to the darker fabric.
- Take these rectangles and arrange them in two columns of five each. See photo 4. Sew together the columns so you end up with two pieces that are at least 6.5" X 12.5".
- Try turning one piece 180 degrees to find the look you like best. Press the seams of one piece down and the other piece press them up. Sew the center seam. Press the entire block well.
- Now using your 12½" X 12½" square up ruler, place it over the block and trim to 12½" X 12½". Move the ruler around until you find the final look you like best.
- Repeat to make a second block to keep!

Have fun!

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Photo 2

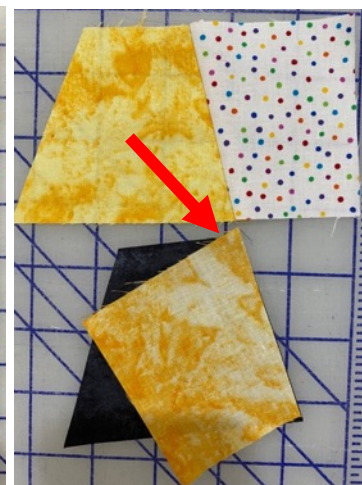


Photo 3



Photo 4



Photo 5