

Block of the Month 2021-2022, October

Reminder: Sewn blocks should MEASURE $12\frac{1}{2}$ " square to finish to 12".

Evening star variation with Bento box block

If you are bringing blocks to the meeting for the traditional raffle, we suggest the oranges and reds of fall. Those leaves are changing!

Cutting instructions:

Background:

Four $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares (for bento-box)

Four $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles (for bento-box)

Two $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles (for bento-box)

Four $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles (for flying geese)

Two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " squares (for half-square triangles)

Color 1 (green in diagram):

Two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " squares (for half-square triangles)

Color 2 (purple in diagram):

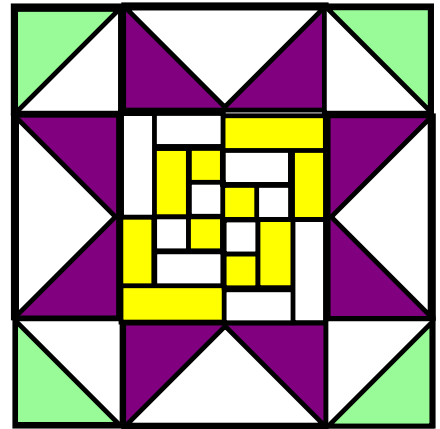
Eight $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares (for flying geese)

Color 3 (yellow in diagram):

Four $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares (for bento-box)

Four $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles (for bento-box)

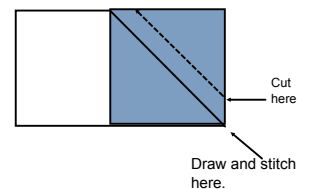
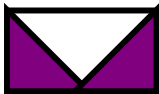
Two $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles (for bento-box)



Flying Geese units: The SEWN size should be $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle.

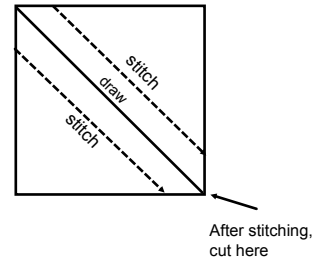
On the back of each colored square, draw a diagonal line. Lay one square on the corner of a rectangle, and stitch on the drawn line. Cut $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from this line as shown. Press open. Then repeat with the other square at the other side of the rectangle. (The picture only shows one of the sides.) Repeat three more times for a total of four flying geese units.

The finished unit will look like this:



Half Square triangle units: The SEWN size is $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".

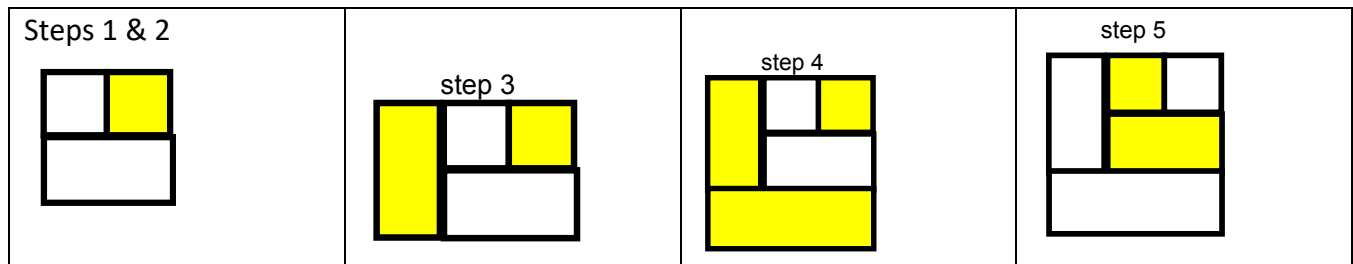
Draw a diagonal line on the back of one of the squares. Place one background square and one colored square right sides together. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of the square. Cut on the drawn line and press. You will have two half-square triangle units of the desired size. Repeat for the other pair of squares. You will have four half-square triangle units measuring $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".



Assemble the bento-box in the center first. Then assemble the block in three rows.
Bento-box.

Make 2 units as follows:

1. Sew together $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of the background fabric and the color 3 (yellow in the diagram). Press open.
2. Join a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " background rectangle to the previous unit. Press open.
3. Join a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $2\frac{1}{2}$ " color 3 (yellow) rectangle to the previous unit as shown. Press open.
4. Join a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $3\frac{1}{2}$ " color 3 (yellow) rectangle to the previous unit as shown. Press open.
5. Now make two of these units with the colors reversed as shown.



The final center block should look like this. Assemble it in two rows, then join the rows.

