

Block of the Month 2021-2022, February

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

Evening star variation with central square in a square

If you are bringing blocks to the February meeting for the traditional raffle, we suggest pinks and reds for Valentine's Day.

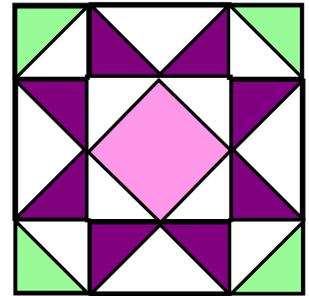
Cutting instructions:

Background:

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

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

Four $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares (for corners in central block) Draw a diagonal on the back of these as you do for the flying geese units.



Color 1 (green in diagram):

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

Color 2 (purple in diagram):

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

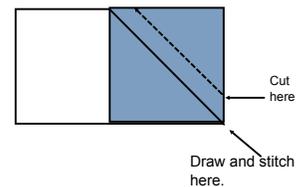
Color 3 (pink in diagram):

One $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square (for central square)

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

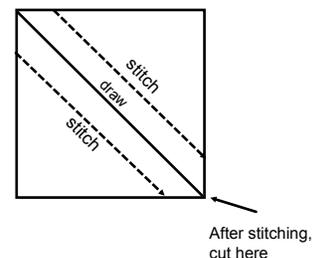
On the back of each colored square, draw a diagonal line. Lay one square on the corner of a rectangle, and stitch on the drawn line. Cut $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from this line as shown. Press open. Then repeat with the other square at the other side of the rectangle. (The picture only shows one of the sides.)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

The finished unit will look like this:

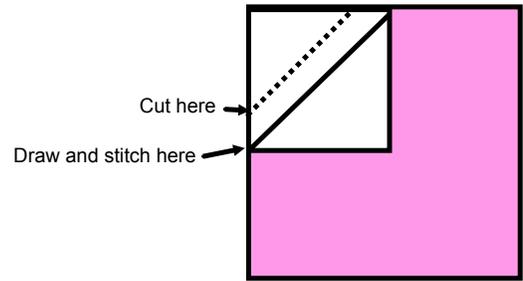


Half Square triangle units: The SEWN size is $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".

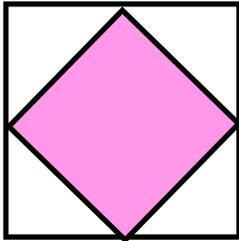
Draw a diagonal line on the back of one of the squares. Place one background square and one colored square right sides together. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of the square. Cut on the drawn line and press. You will have two half-square triangle units of the desired size. Repeat for the other pair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



For the central Square in a Square block:
Using the same technique as the flying geese units,
stitch background squares onto opposite corners of the
pink square. Cut away the excess, then press open.
Repeat for the other two corners. Only one corner is
shown here.



The final center should look like this:



The final block should look like this:

