

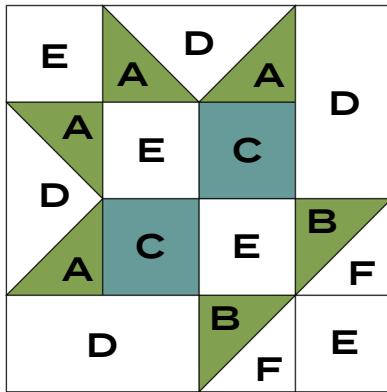
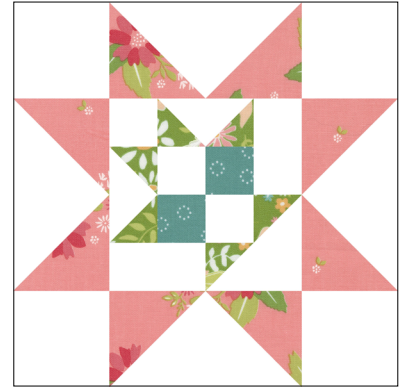
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Block of the Month 2024

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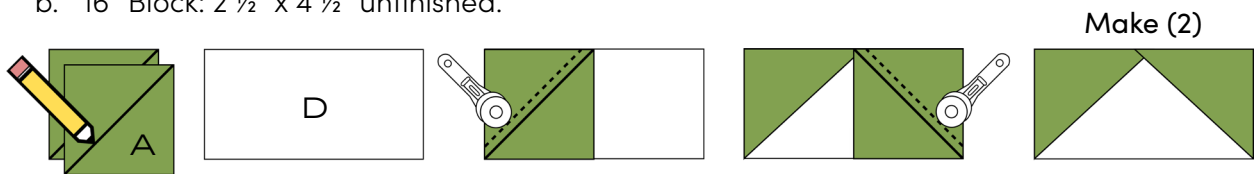
Cutting Instructions

	8" Block (8 1/2" unfinished)	16" Block (16 1/2" unfinished)
Medium (A)	(4) 1 1/2" squares	(4) 2 1/2" squares
Medium (B)	(1) 2" square	(1) 3" square
Medium (C)	(2) 1 1/2" squares	(2) 2 1/2" squares
Light (D)	(4) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles	(4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles
Light (E)	(4) 1 1/2" squares	(4) 2 1/2" squares
Light (F)	(1) 2" square	(1) 3" square

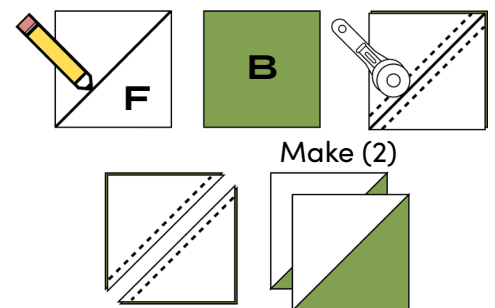
Designer Note: Follow the block guide shown for fabric placement. Units are labeled A-F.

Piecing Instructions

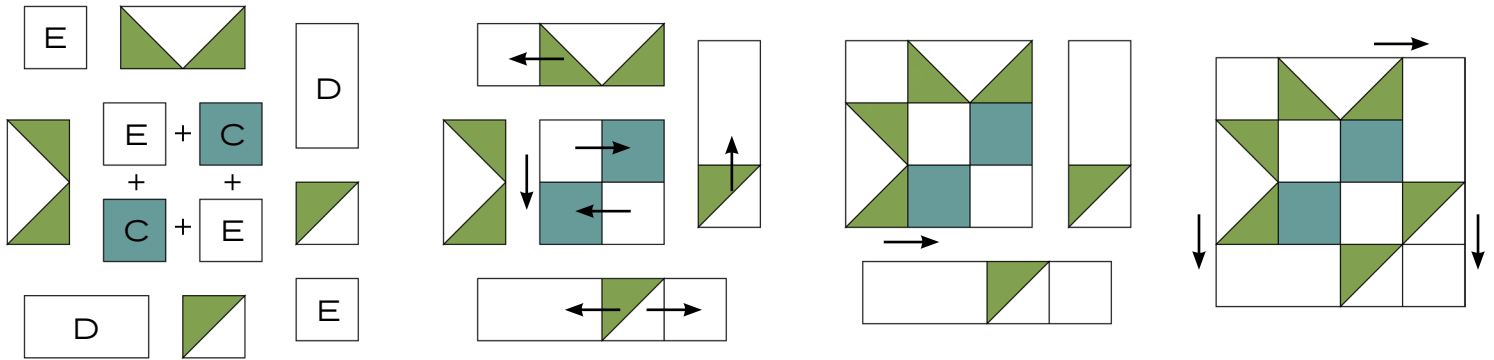
1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (4) A – squares using an erasable marker or pencil.
2. Place (1) A – square onto the corner of (2) D – rectangles, right sides together.
3. Sew along the drawn diagonal lines as shown. Trim the excess corner fabric to a 1/4" and press toward the corners.
4. Repeat stitch and flip techniques to attach an additional A – square to the adjacent corner of each D – rectangle to complete (2) flying geese units.
5. Use the following guide for flying geese unit sizes for 8" and 16" blocks:
 - a. 8" Block: 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" unfinished.
 - b. 16" Block: 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" unfinished.



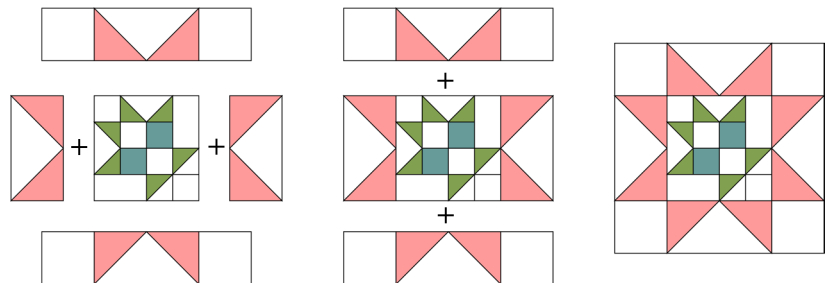
6. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (1) F – square using an erasable marker or pencil.
7. Place (1) F – square with (1) B – square, right sides together.
8. Sew a 1/4" away from both sides of the drawn diagonal line.
9. Cut along the drawn diagonal line, making (2) HST units.
10. Trim HST units using the following guide for 8" and 16" blocks:
 - a. 8" Block: 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" unfinished.
 - b. 16" Block: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" unfinished.



11. Arrange the flying geese units, HST units, (2) C – squares, (2) D – rectangles and (4) E – squares to form the February block center. Sew together, using arrows for pressing instructions.
12. Use the following guide for February block center sizes:
 - a. 8" Block: 4 ½" x 4 ½" unfinished.
 - b. 16" Block: 8 ½" x 8 ½" unfinished.



13. Arrange the prepared Star Border pieces around the February block center and assemble as shown. Reference the Cutting Chart for unfinished block sizes.



Pattern of the Month...

Treat yourself this Valentine's Day to a bouquet of flowers...fabric flowers that is! Enjoy the beautifully simple **Flower Shoppe Pattern** by Sherri McConnell. This project is layer cake friendly, in addition to accent prints.

