

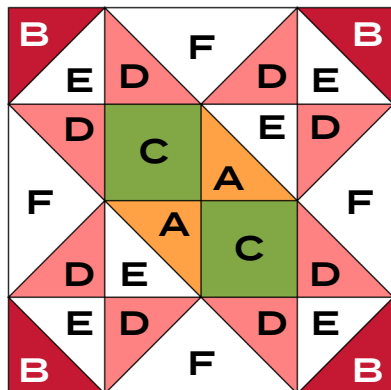
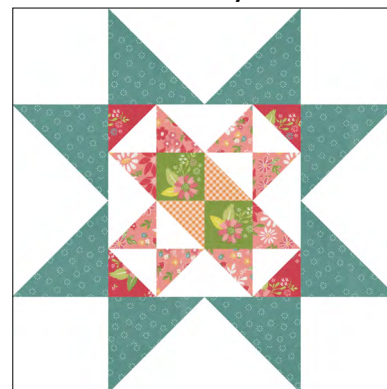
a Quilting Life

Block of the Month 2024

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May



Cutting Instructions

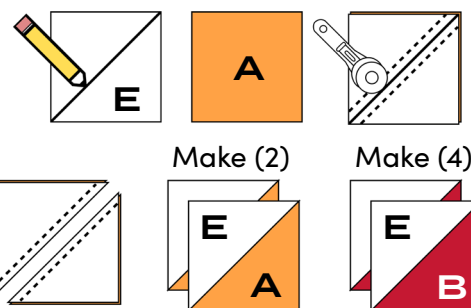
	8" Block (8 1/2" unfinished)	16" Block (16 1/2" unfinished)
Medium (A)	(1) 2" square	(1) 3" square
Medium/Dark (B)	(2) 2" squares	(2) 3" squares
Medium (C)	(2) 1 1/2" squares	(2) 2 1/2" squares
Medium (D)	(8) 1 1/2" squares	(8) 2 1/2" squares
Light (E)	(3) 2" squares	(3) 3" squares
Light (F)	(4) 1 1/2"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

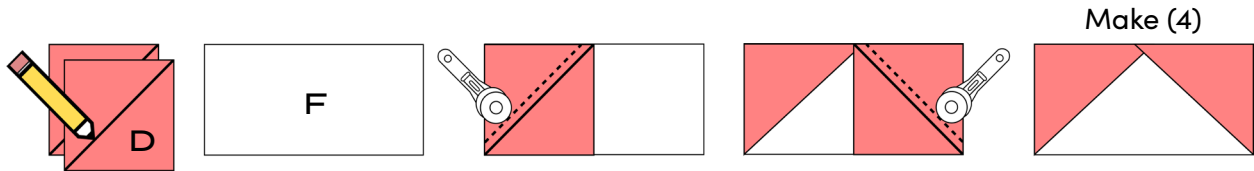
Designer Note: Follow the block guide shown for fabric placement.

Units are labeled A-F.

Piecing Instructions

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (3) E – squares using an erasable marker or pencil.
2. Place (1) E – square with each of (1) A – square and (2) B – squares, right sides together.
3. Sew a 1/4" away from both sides of the drawn diagonal line on each set of squares.
4. Cut along the drawn diagonal lines, making a total of (2) A/E HST units and (4) B/E HST units.
5. 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.
6. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (8) D – squares using an erasable marker or pencil.
7. Place (1) D – square onto the corner of (4) F – rectangles, right sides together.
8. Sew along the drawn diagonal lines as shown. Trim the excess corner fabric to a 1/4" and press toward the corners.
9. Repeat stitch and flip techniques to attach an additional D – square to the adjacent corner of each F – rectangle to complete (4) flying geese units.
10. 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.

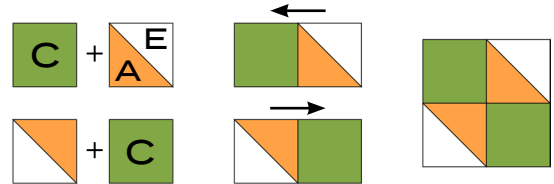




11. Arrange (2) A/E HST units and (2) C – squares to form the 4-patch unit. Sew together, pressing away from the HST units.

12. Use the following guide for 4-patch unit sizes for 8" and 16" blocks:

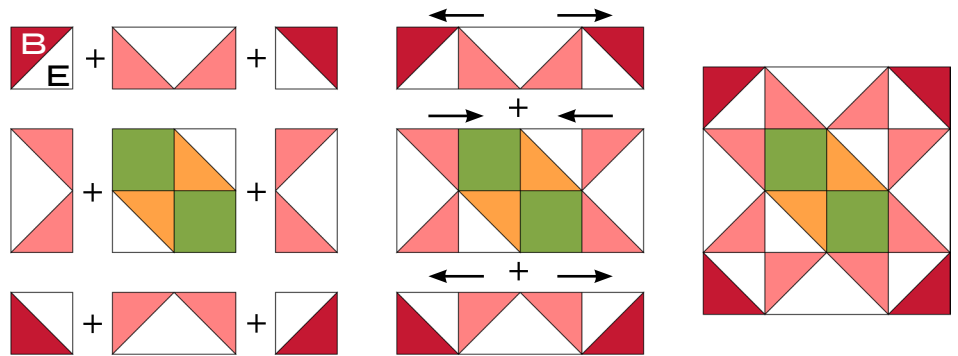
- a. 8" Block: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" unfinished.
- b. 16" Block: 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" unfinished.



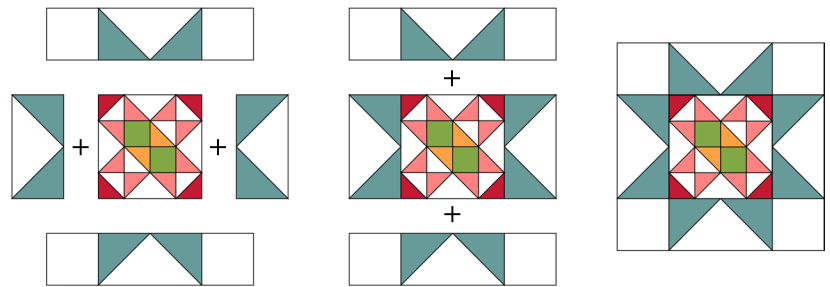
13. Arrange the 4-patch unit, (4) B/E HST units and (4) flying geese units to form the May block center. Sew together, pressing seams away from flying geese units.

14. Use the following guide for May block center sizes:

- a. 8" Block: 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" unfinished.
- b. 16" Block: 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" unfinished.



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



Pattern of the Month...

Remember the saying "April showers bring May flowers"? The sweetest floral themed spring-time quilt has sprung up in Sherri's Etsy Shop! The **Tulip and Vine** quilt is Jelly Roll friendly and is offered in several sizes!

