

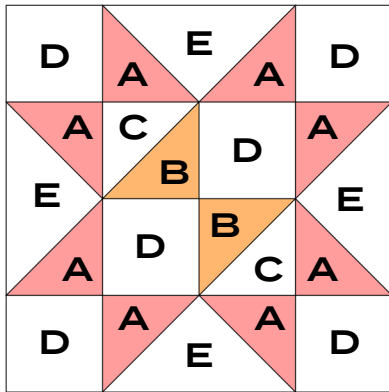
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Block of the Month 2024

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Cutting Instructions

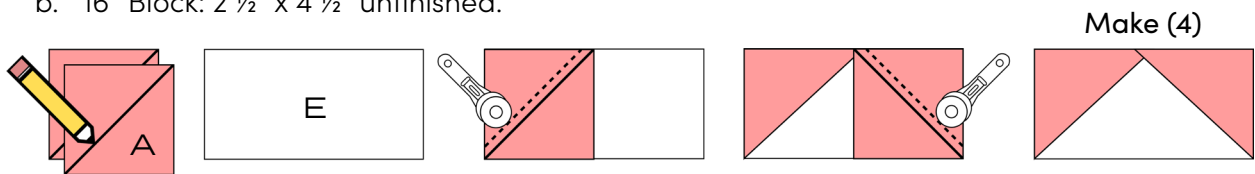
| | 8" Block (8 1/2" unfinished) | 16" Block (16 1/2" unfinished) |
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| Medium (A) | (8) 1 1/2" squares | (8) 2 1/2" squares |
| Medium (B) | (1) 2" square | (1) 3" square |
| Light (C) | (1) 2" square | (1) 3" square |
| Light (D) | (6) 1 1/2" squares | (6) 2 1/2" squares |
| Light (E) | (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.

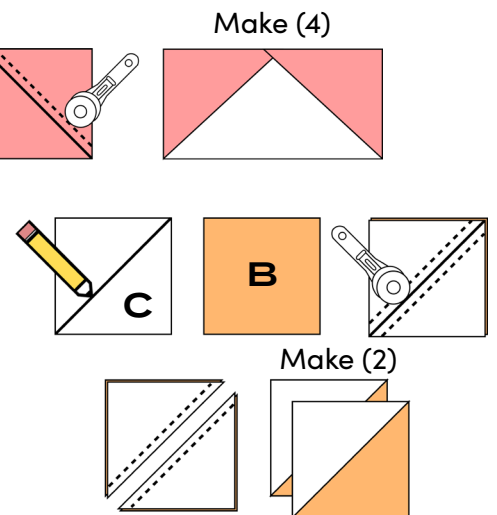
Units are labeled A-E.

Piecing Instructions

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (8) A – squares using an erasable marker or pencil.
2. Place (1) A – square onto the corner of (4) E – 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 E – rectangle to complete (4) 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.



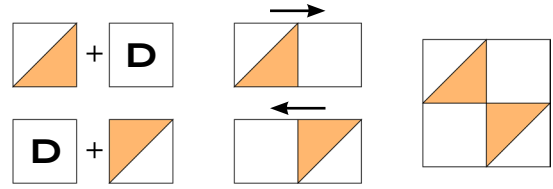
6. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (1) C – square using an erasable marker or pencil.
7. Place (1) C – square with (1) B – square, right sides together.
8. Sew a 1/4" away from both sides of the drawn diagonal line.
9. Cut along the drawn diagonal line, making (2) HST units.
10. Trim HST units 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.



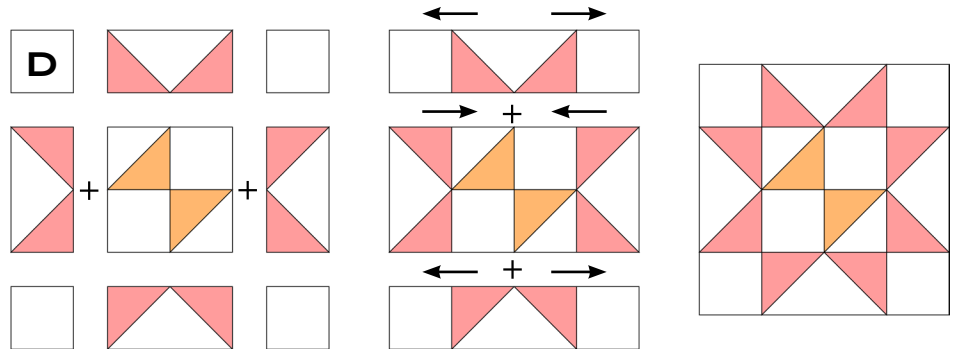
11. Arrange (2) HST units and (2) D – squares to form the 4–patch unit. Sew together, pressing away from the HST units.

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

- a. 8" Block: 2 ½" x 2 ½" unfinished.
- b. 16" Block: 4 ½" x 4 ½" unfinished.



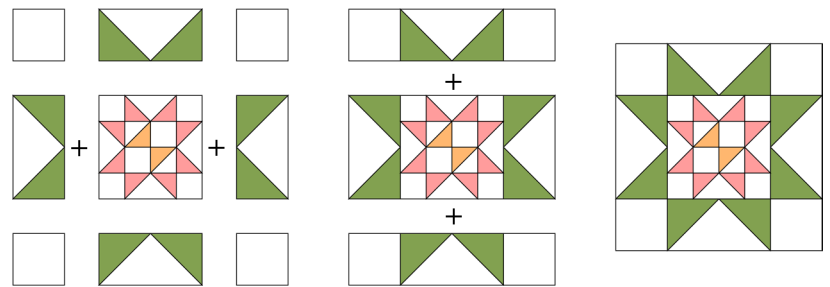
13. Arrange the March block center, (4) flying geese units and (4) D – squares to form the March block center. Sew together, pressing seams away from flying geese units.



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

- a. 8" Block: 4 ½" x 4 ½" unfinished.
- b. 16" Block: 8 ½" x 8 ½" unfinished.

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



Pattern of the Month...

Are you wishing for a Beach Day this spring break? Check out Sherri's Jelly Roll and Charm Pack friendly **Beach Day** PDF Quilt Pattern! This simple quilt is the perfect addition to any beach bag. But it could easily be your family's favorite comfy couch quilt.

