

April Block of the Month: Prize Ribbon

Everyone should have a beautiful ribbon to display with pride. Here's the last block in our sampler quilt and my award ribbon to all who participated. Thank you!!

Block finishes at 12" (unfinished at 12 1/2").

Materials:

From color A: cut 2 - 2 1/2" x 20" strips and 1 - 2 7/8" x 12" strip

From color B: cut 1 - 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" square and 2 - 2 1/2" x 20" strips

From color C: cut 1 - 2 1/2" x 12" strip and 1 - 2 7/8" x 12" strip

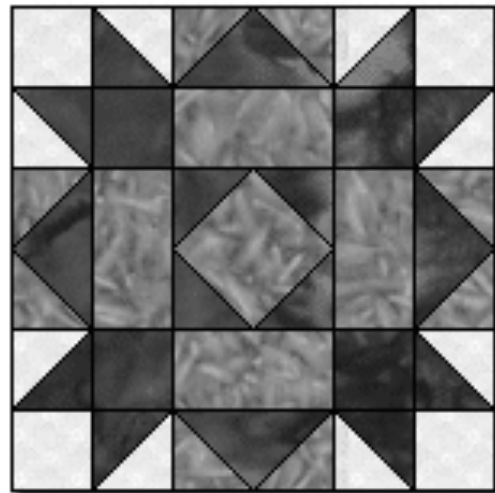
Construction:

Sub-cut a color A 2-1/2" strip into 8 - 2-1/2" squares. Now sub-cut the other color A 2-1/2" strip into 4 - 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangles.

Next, sub-cut a color B 2-1/2" strip into 4 - 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangles. Sub-cut the other color B 2-1/2" strip into 8 - 2-1/2" squares.

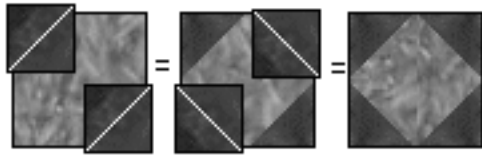
Then, sub-cut the color C 2-1/2" strip into 4 - 2-1/2" squares.

Stack the color A and



color C $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x $11\frac{1}{2}$ " strips right sides together. On the back of the top strip lightly mark the $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square lines. Mark the diagonals in the direction shown in diagram. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side of diagonals, pivoting at the $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square lines. Cut apart on the marked diagonals, and on the $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square lines. This will give you 8 half square units. Press seams smooth and measure. These should measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

To sew the flying geese units, place a color B $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square atop the left end of a color A rectangle, right sides together. Lightly mark the diagonal on the back of the color B square. Sew on this diagonal. Cut off the excess seam allowance and press. Repeat this with another color 2 square on the other end. Make 4 units.



The center square is made by placing a color A $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square atop the upper left corner of the color B $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square, right sides together. Mark the diagonal on the back of the color A small square. Sew on this diagonal.

Trim excess seam allowance, and press. Repeat on the remaining corners. Press seams smooth.

Assemble the block units into a finished block, referring to the picture to assure correct position and orientation.

Thank you to Marcia Hohn at www.quilterscache.com for the original block.

Remember your $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

You can choose to make a complete quilt top by repeating these instructions or you can set this block aside and make a sampler quilt. We look forward to seeing everyone's blocks.