February 2016 Block of the Month: Old Ohio Glory

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

Materials:

Red fabric:	2 - 2" x 14" strips
White fabric:	2 - 2" x 14" strips
	1 - 2 1/2" square
	2 - 3 1/2" squares
Blue fabric:	4 - 2 1/2" squares
	2 - 3 1/2" squares



Construction:

Sew the red and white strips together, alternating colors. Press smooth and subcut into 2 - 6 1/2" lengths. Set aside.

On the back of each white 3 1/2" square draw a diagonal line. Match with a blue 3 1/2" square. Sew a 1/4" on either side of the line, cut apart on line, and press open with seam to dark. Repeat with second set. You should have 2 HSTs (half square triangles). Draw a diagonal line on the back of two of the HSTs. Match with an unmarked HST so that the seams cross in an X. Sew a 1/4" on either side of the line, cut apart on line, and press open. Repeat with second set. Sew the QST sets and squares together in three rows and then together to make 2 - 6 1/2" Ohio Star blocks. *(finished Ohio Star block won't look exactly like picture)*

Sew each strip block to an Ohio Star block and then sew them all together to make a finished 12 1/2" block. Press smooth.

Remember your 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.