## March 2013 Block

**Cutting Instructions** 

Fabric One(off white in illustration)

A. Sixteen 2 1/2" squares-outer border and block

B. Four 1 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles-inner border

Fabric Two(green in the illustration)

A. Nine 2 1/2" squares-outer border and block

B. Four 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles

Fabric Three(red in illustration)

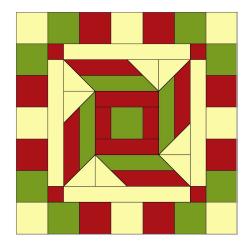
A. Eight 2 1/2" squares-outer border

B. Four 1 1/2" squares-inner border

C. Four 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles

D. Two 1 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles

E. Two 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles



Sewing Instructions

Center Block

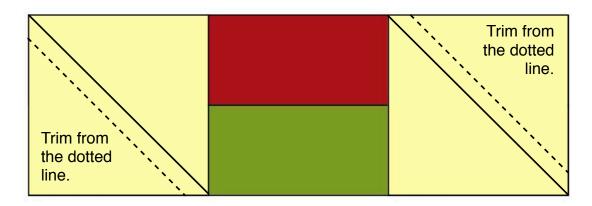
Sew one E piece of fabric three to opposite sides of one of the A pieces of fabric two. Then sew one of the D pieces to the remaining sides. Set aside.



Sew one B piece of fabric two and one C piece of fabric three together. Repeat three more times for a total of four units.



Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side eight of the A pieces of fabric one. Place on the units made in the previous step as shown. Make sure the colors are all in the right place and sew on the line and trim.

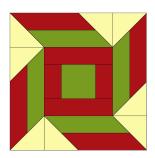


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Press the triangles back to form a rectangular unit.

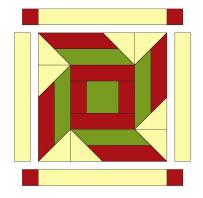


Using the instructions in my "How to Sew a Block Using the Partial Seam Method" add the four units to the center unit paying careful attention to matching the triangle points.



## First Border

Sew one of the B pieces of fabric one to opposite sides of the center block. Sew a piece B of fabric three to each end of two of B pieces of fabric one and sew these units to the remaining sides of the center block. Your blocks should now measure 10 1/2" square.



## Second Border

Sew the A pieces of fabrics one, two, and three together to form four borders as shown in illustration. You will have two shorter borders with five squares each and two longer borders with seven squares each. Sew the shorter borders to opposite sides of the block. Then sew the longer borders to the remaining sides of the block. Your block should now measure 14 1/2" square.

