

Nine Patch Nirvana

2006 Block of the Month



Shimmering Sunset

Size: 12"

August 2006 Quilt Block of the Month Free from BlockCentral.com

Cutting Instructions:

*Fabric:	Size & Shape:	# to Cut:
A (Lt. Orange)	2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle	2
A (Lt. Orange)	4-7/8" Square	2
A (Lt. Orange)	5-1/4" square	1
B (Blue)	5-1/4" Square	2
B (Blue)	2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle	6
B (Blue)	2-1/2" Square	4
C (Cream)	4-7/8" Square	2
C (Cream)	2-1/2" Square	16

Sewing Instructions:

Step 1: Using a ruler and a pencil, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of all Color C (cream) 4-7/8" squares, Color C (cream) 2-1/2" squares, and the Color B (blue) 2-1/2" squares.



Draw lines

Step 2: With right sides together, layer a Color C (cream) 4-7/8" square on a Color A (light orange) 4-7/8" square and sew a 1/4" seam on each side of the diagonal line that you drew in Step 1. Cut apart on the line and press seam allowances toward the darker fabric. (Two half-square triangle units made.) Repeat Step 2 once more for a total of four Color A/C half-square triangle units.



Make 4 half-square triangles

Step 3: With right sides together, layer a Color B (blue) 2-1/2" square on the Color A (lt. orange) corner of one of the half-square triangle units that you made in Step 2. Sew on the line that you marked in Step 1, and trim away the excess fabric 1/4" above the seam. Press the seam allowance toward the darker fabric. Repeat 3 more times for a total of four corner stripe units.



Sew, trim, & press. Make 4

Step 4: With right sides together, place a 2-1/4" Color C (cream) square on the right of a Color B (blue) 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle. Sew along the drawn line and trim excess fabric 1/4" inch above the seam. Press seam allowance toward the lighter fabric. Repeat on the left end. Repeat Step 4 five more times for a total of six Color B/C flying geese units.



Sew, trim, and press on each end. Make 6.

Step 5: With right sides together, place a 2-1/4" Color C (cream) square on the right of a Color A (lt. orange) 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle. Sew along the drawn line and trim excess fabric 1/4" inch above the seam. Press seam allowance toward the lighter fabric. Repeat on the left end. Repeat Step 5 one more time for a total of two Color A/C flying geese units.



Sew, trim, and press on each end. Make 2.

Step 6: Sew the flying geese units together as shown below. Press seam allowances toward the top triangle.



Make 2

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Step 7: Using a ruler and a rotary cutter, cut each Color B (blue) and Color A (lt. orange) 5-1/4" squares twice diagonally.



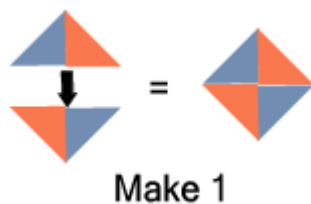
Cut each twice diagonally

Step 8: With right sides together, layer a Color A (lt. orange) triangle on a Color B (blue) triangle and stitch together along one short side. Press seam allowance toward the darker fabric. Repeat once more for a total of two A/B triangles.



Make 2

Step 9: With right sides together, layer an A/B triangle on another A/B triangle and stitch together along the longest side. Press the seam allowance to one side. One quarter square triangle made.



Step 10: Using the block image at the top of the page as your guide, arrange the nine block units. Sew them first into rows, pressing the seams of the top and bottom rows away from the center and the seams of the middle row toward the center. Sew rows together to finish the block and press seams toward the center.

Your block should measure 12-1/2" at this point. It will measure 12" when it is sewn into the quilt.

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