



Modern Block of the Month

The January Block

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This block design does not include any negative space. As a result, I think that the pattern the block makes shines when pieced with small scale prints or solid fabrics.



Fabric requirements / Cut List:

Based on fabrics that are 42" wide = WOF

- Fabric A (blue):** 2" x WOF strip and a 2" x 5.5" scrap
- Fabric B (bone):** 2" x WOF strip and a 2" x 5.5" scrap
- Fabric C (gray):** 2" x WOF strip
- Fabric D (orange):** 2" x WOF strip and a 7" x 3" scrap

Note: If you don't have a long strip of one of the fabrics, you'd like to use you can use scraps. Please refer to the cut list below to know how big they must be.

1. Sew together the A & B WOF (width of fabric) strips and the A & B 5.5" scraps.
2. Cut 7" off of the Fabric C WOF (width of fabric) strip and sew together with the 7"X 3" scrap of Fabric D. This is Portion 9.
3. Sew together the remainder of the Fabric C WOF strip with the Fabric D WOF strip.

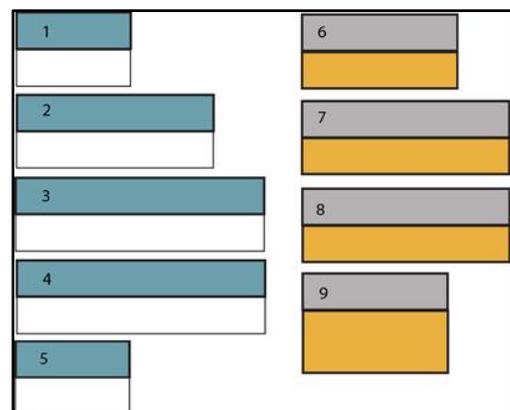


Cut the A/B strip into portions of the following lengths:

- Portion 1: 5.5"
- Portion 2: 9.5"
- Portion 3: 12"
- Portion 4: 12"
- Portion 5: 5.5"

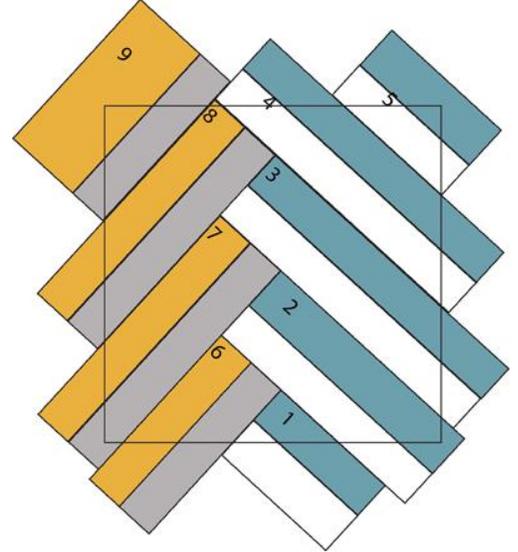
4. Cut the C/D strip into portions of the following lengths:

- Portion 6: 7.5"
- Portion 7: 10"
- Portion 8: 10"
- Portion 9: is already at the correct size.



Now, finish the block by first rotating your piecing and then trimming it down to 12.5" square. Your block is all done!

Note: This is just the sort of trimming where a 12.5" square ruler comes in handy. If you don't have one, I'd suggest you draw the 12.5" block onto the piecing before cutting it out. You wouldn't want to trim too much off of one edge and not have enough piecing remaining to fit the full-sized block.



I created some digital quilts using this block in a 4 x 5 block layout:

