# December 2013 Block 

Cutting Instructions
Fabric One(off white in illustration)
A. Sixteen $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares-outer border and block
B. Four $11 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles-inner border
C. Four $27 / 8$ " squares

Fabric Two(green in the illustration)
A. Eight 2 1/2" squares-outer border
B. Two $27 / 8$ " squares

Fabric Three(red in illustration)
A. Eight 2 1/2" squares-outer border
B. Four $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares-inner border
C. Two $27 / 8$ " squares

D. Four $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles

## Sewing Instructions

Center Block
Step One: Using my method or your favorite method make four flying geese blocks using eight A pieces of fabric one and four D pieces of fabric three. Set aside.


Step Two: On the back side of the C pieces of fabric one draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. Place the marked squares right sides together on the B pieces of fabric two and the C pieces of fabric three. Sew a $1 / 4$ " seam on each side of the marked line. Cut on the line and press open to form eight half square triangles. Sew the half square triangles together to form four units, as shown.


Step Three: Sew the flying geese and the units from step two together to make four squares. Then arrange and sew the four squares together. Your center square is now complete and should measure $81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ unfinished.


## 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 block 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.


