

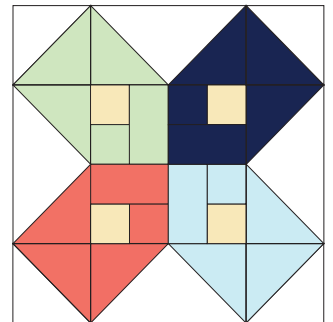
When I first hung out my shingle as a quilter, one of my early commissions was to create a reproduction of an 1877 quilt on display at Living History Farms. It used the quilt block known as "Colorado," which I loved, as I grew up there. As I look back at how far I've come from those early days, not only has my business changed, but a lot has changed in my life too. I've lived in 4 different states, eventually settling in the Midwest; I've loved, lost, loved and lost again; I've discovered my passion for quilting and the wonderfully supportive community of people who share it. I thought it fitting to re-imagine the Colorado block as a journey from whence I came to where I am, and always with the light of friendship and community to guide my path.

From Colorado to the Midwest

for the Splendid Sampler™

Ebony Love

Finished Block Size 6" x 6"



Requirements

Background fabric

✂ 2 squares - $2 \frac{3}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles (E).

✂ 1 square - $4 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $4 \frac{1}{4}$ ". Cut twice diagonally to yield 4 triangles (F).

Fabric 1

✂ 2 squares - $2 \frac{3}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles (A1). Only 3 are required.

✂ 1 rectangle - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" (A2)

✂ 1 square - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " (A3)

Fabric 2

✂ 2 squares - $2 \frac{3}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles (B1). Only 3 are required.

✂ 1 rectangle - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" (B2)

✂ 1 square - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " (B3)

Fabric 3

✂ 2 squares - $2 \frac{3}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles (C1). Only 3 are required.

✂ 1 rectangle - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" (C2)

✂ 1 square - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " (C3)

Fabric 4

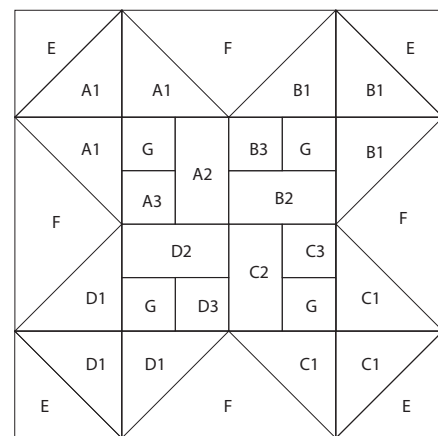
✂ 2 squares - $2 \frac{3}{8}$ " x $2 \frac{3}{8}$ ". Cut once diagonally to yield 4 triangles (D1). Only 3 are required.

✂ 1 rectangle - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" (D2)

✂ 1 square - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " (D3)

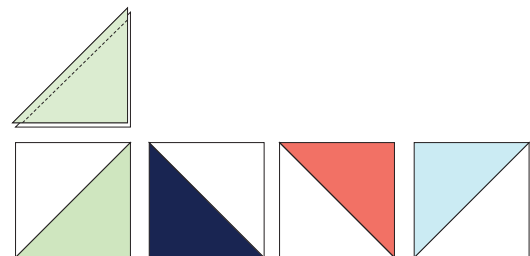
Fabric 5

✂ 4 squares - $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " (G)



Unit 1 - Half Square Triangle

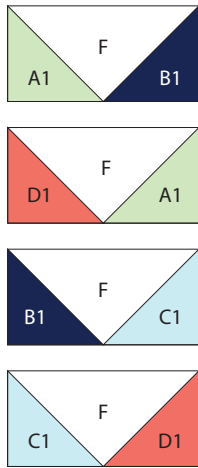
1. Pair an E background triangle with a A1, B1, C1 and D1 triangle.
2. Sew together. Press towards piece E.



3. Make 4 half square triangle units in total.

Unit 2 - Flying geese

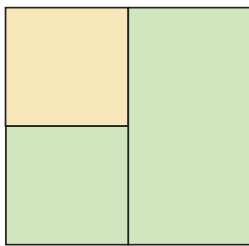
1. Sew a A1, B1, C1 and D1 triangle to background triangle F. Use the diagram as a reference for placing the different fabric colours.



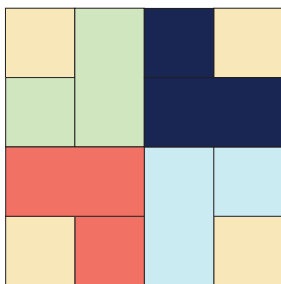
2. Press seams away from F.
3. Make 4 flying geese units in total.

Unit 3 - Centre

1. Sew a A3, B3, C3 and D3 to a G. Press seam towards G.
2. Using pieces A2, B2, C2 and D2, sew the matching piece to the completed A3 / G , B3 / G, C3 / G and D3 / G.
3. Press seams towards G.

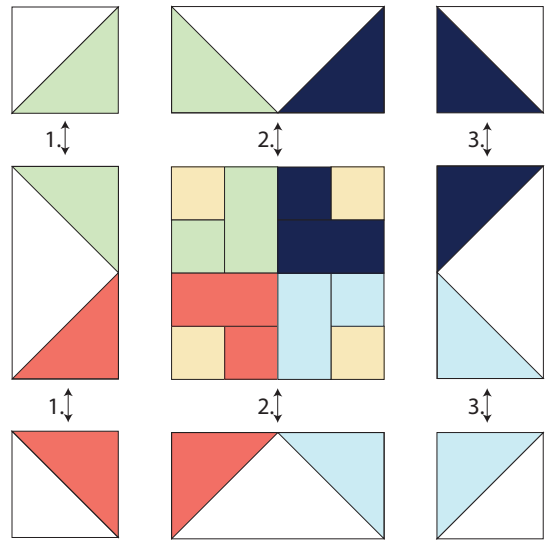


4. Make 4 centre units.
5. Sew the centre units together into a 4-patch. Press seams clockwise to swirl the centres.

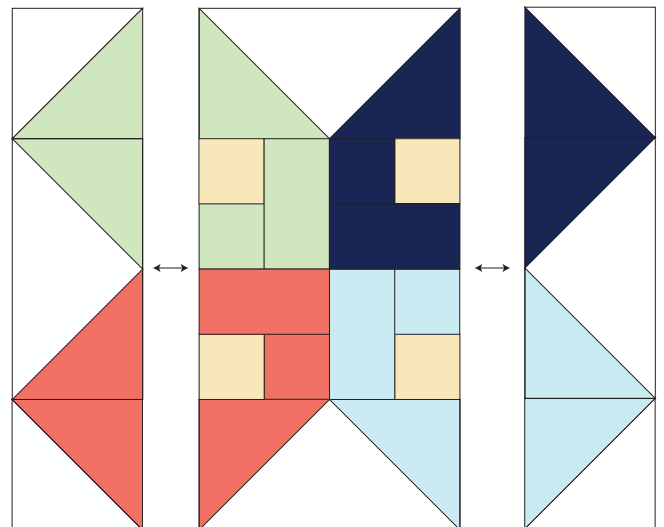


Block Assembly

1. Lay out the units.
2. Sew block together as shown in block assembly diagram.

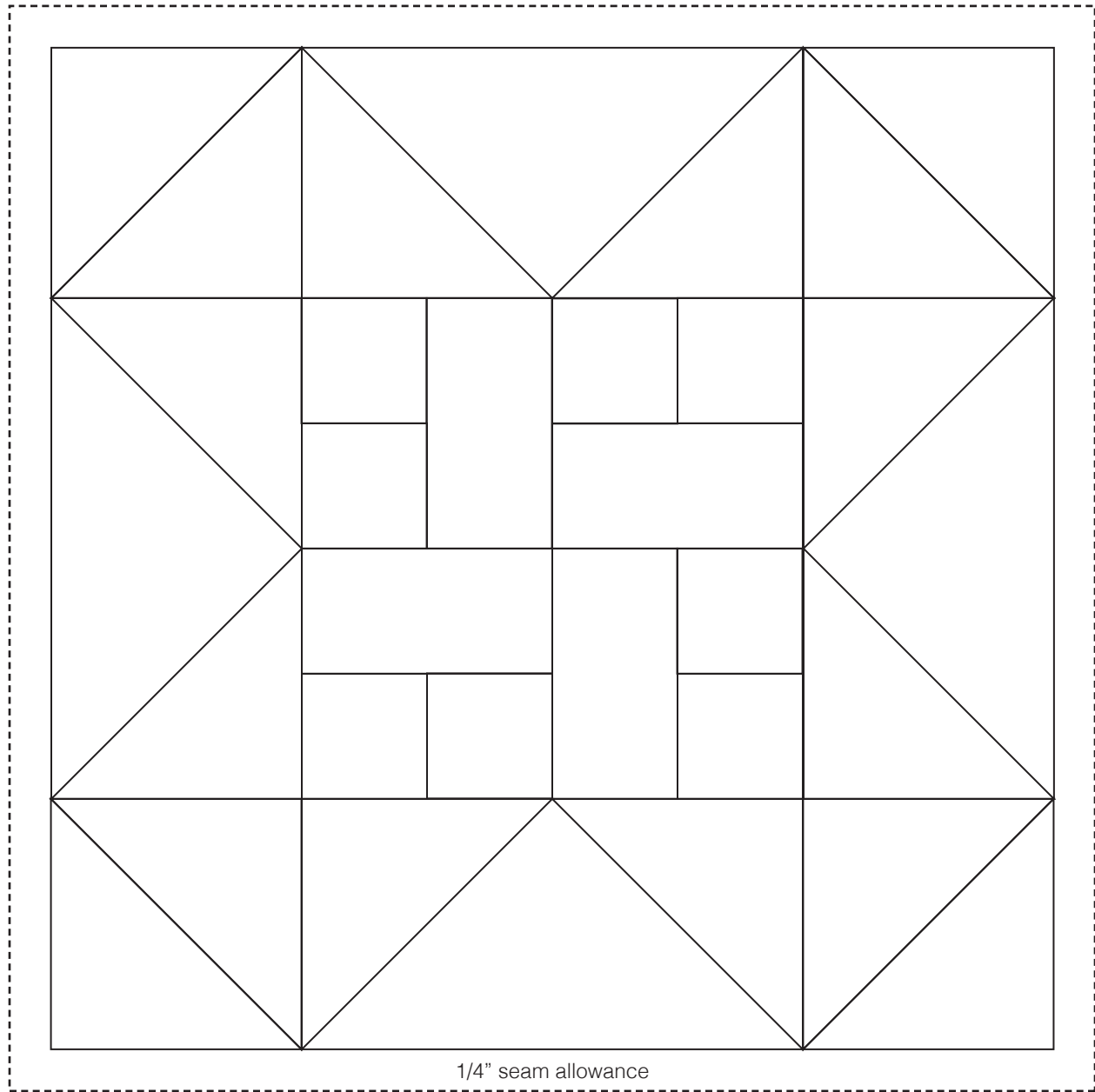


Block Assembly Diagram



3. Unfinished bock size 6 1/2" x 6 1/2"

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1 inch

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