

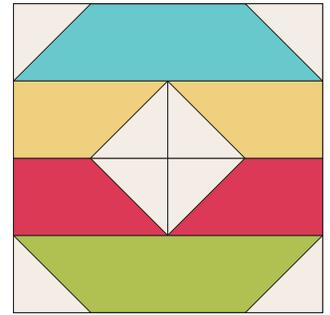
The snowball block is one of a handful of quilt blocks that reminds me first and foremost of my maternal grandmother. My grandmother taught me to quilt and instilled in me a deep appreciation of this wonderful art form and hobby; she absolutely loved the snowball block and often used it in her quilts and projects. I can still recall her delight in teaching me the easy corner method to make these blocks as we sat at her antique kitchen table, which I now have in my family room. When my great-aunt and I collaborated to make my grandmother a 50th anniversary quilt, we used the snowball block throughout the quilt. I decided to make my Splendid Sampler block a scrappy snowball because my grandmother also held a great appreciation for scraps--she found ways to save, store, and use even the smallest bits of quilting fabric.

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for the Splendid Sampler™

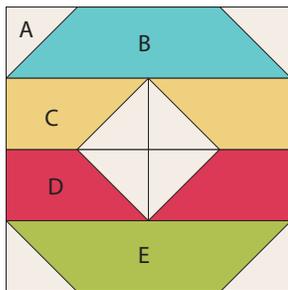
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Finished Block Size 6" x 6"



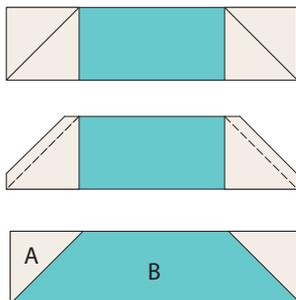
Requirements

- # Background: 8 squares - 2" x 2" (A)
- # Print one: 1 rectangle - 2" x 6 1/2" (B)
- # Print two: 2 rectangles - 2" x 3 1/2" (C)
- # Print three: 2 rectangles - 2" x 3 1/2" (D)
- # Print four: 1 rectangle - 2" x 6 1/2" (E)



Block Assembly

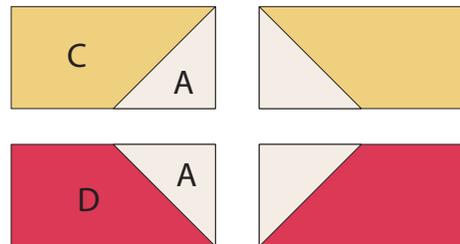
1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each background square (A).
2. Aligning edges, place a background square on one corner of one of the 2" x 6 1/2" print rectangles. Sew just inside the diagonal line and press out.
3. Repeat on the other side of the rectangle being sure to note the placement of each corner square.



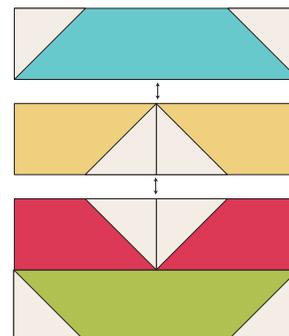
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with two additional background squares and the other 2" x 6 1/2" rectangle.

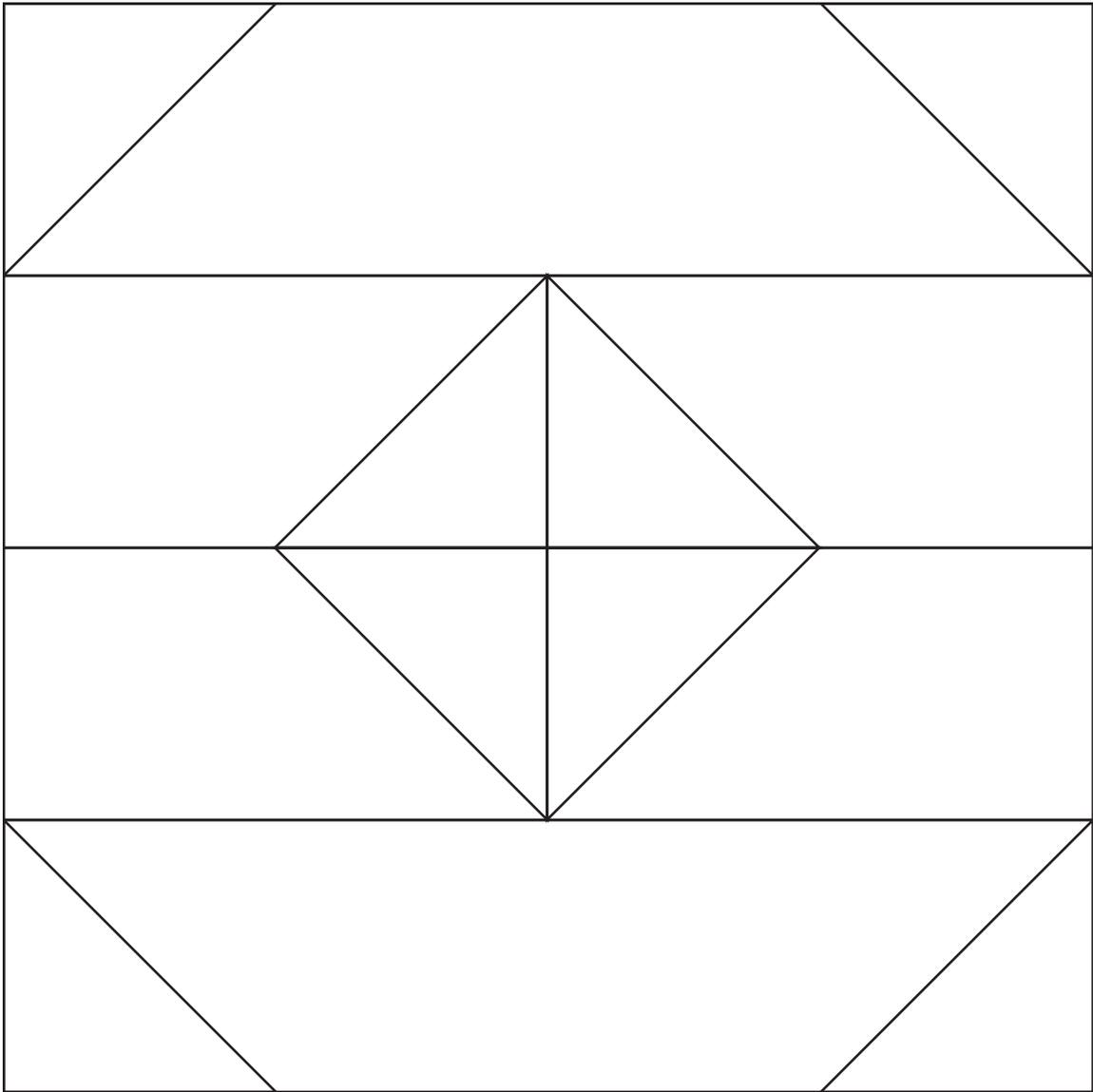


5. Use the method above to add one background square to each of the remaining 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles, noting the direction and placement of the stitching lines.



6. Arrange the matching 2" x 3 1/2" rectangle units as shown and sew together. Press the seam joining the rectangle sections open. Repeat for the other two matching 2" x 3 1/2" rectangle units.
7. Join the four units as shown and press seams open between the units.





1 inch

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