

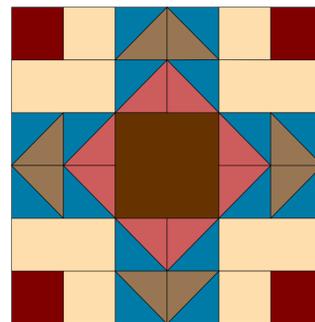
I started sewing and quilting about a year after my first cat, Pal, came to live with me. I had no clue how thread- and fabric-obsessed he would become. You see, prior to becoming fabric-obsessed myself, I would spend my free time crocheting, with Pal sitting on my lap. Well, then the quilting bug hit, and Pal would do whatever he could to help me--stealing thread spools, lying in the middle of my freshly-washed fabric, and, most especially, chewing through my serger threads. There's never a dull moment with a furry sidekick around.

Inspector Sidekick

for the Splendid Sampler™

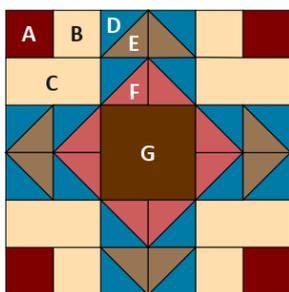
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Finished Block Size 6" x 6"



Requirements

- # 1 square - 5" x 5" fabrics A, B, C, E and F
- # 1 square - 5" x 10" fabric D
- # 1 square - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" fabric G



Cutting Instructions

From fabric A cut:

- ✂ 4 squares - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"

From fabric B cut:

- ✂ 4 squares - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"

From fabric C cut:

- ✂ 4 rectangles - 1 1/2" x 2 1/2"

From fabric D cut:

- ✂ 8 squares - 2" x 2"

From fabric E cut:

- ✂ 4 squares - 2" x 2"

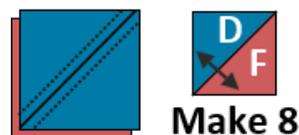
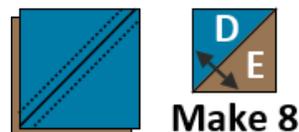
From fabric F cut:

- ✂ 4 squares - 2" x 2"

Block Assembly

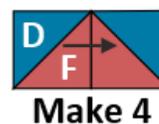
Step 1: Create eight (8) of each fabric D/E and D/F half-square triangle (HST) units.

1. On the wrong side of the fabric D squares, draw a diagonal line, from corner to corner.
2. Layer the fabric D squares with the fabrics E and F squares, right sides together. From the drawn lines, stitch a scant 1/4" away on both sides.
3. Cut the units in half directly on the drawn lines. Press the seams open.
4. With a square ruler that has a diagonal line, trim the units to 1 1/2" square, matching the diagonal line on the ruler with the centre seam.



Step 2: With the D/E and D/F HST units, create four (4) four-patch units.

1. Stitch the D/E HST units together with fabric E in the middle. Press seams towards the left.
2. Stitch the D/F HST units together with fabric F in the middle. Press seams towards the right.
3. Stitch the D/E and D/F pairs together, nesting the intersecting seams. Press the seams towards the D/E pairs. Four-patch unit size: 2 1/2" square.



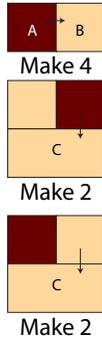
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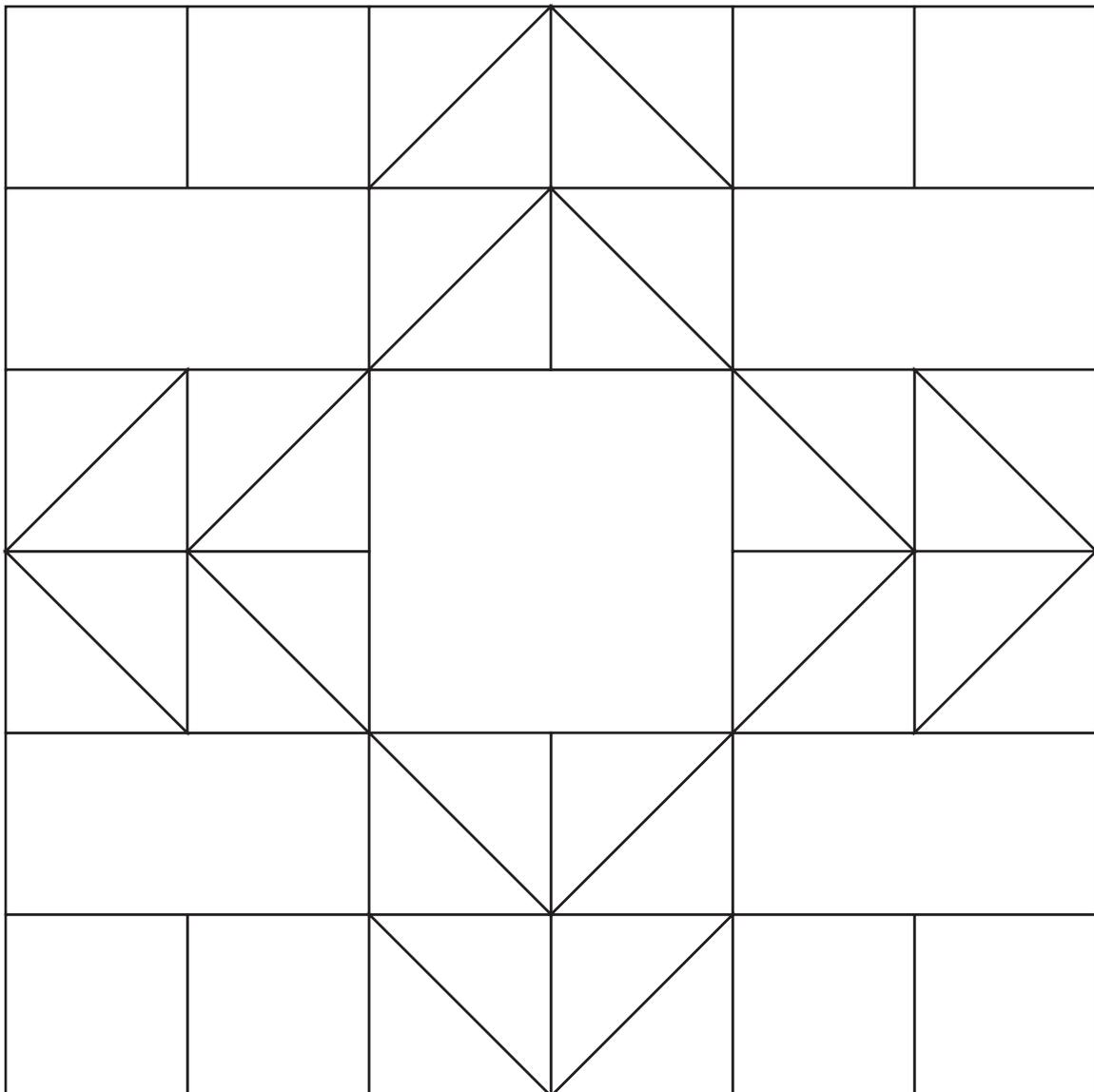
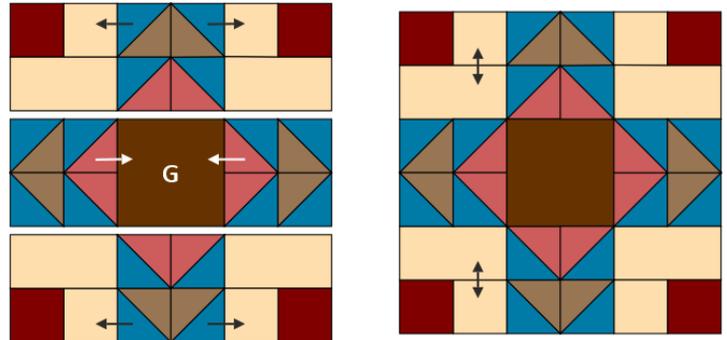
Step 3: Create four (4) corner units.

1. Stitch the A/B squares together. Press the seams open.
2. Attach the C rectangles to the bottom of the A/B pairs, with the A squares in the upper right corner. Press the seams towards the C rectangles. Corner unit size: 2½" square.
3. Attach the C rectangles to the bottom of the A/B pairs, with the A squares in the upper left corner. Press the seams towards the C rectangles. Corner unit size: 2½" square.



Step 4: Finish the block.

4. Lay out the nine (9) units in the correct orientation. Stitch the units into three rows. Press the top and bottom rows towards the corner units. Press the middle row towards the G square.
5. Stitch the three rows together, nesting the intersecting seams. Press the final two seams open. Unfinished block size: 6½" square.



1 inch