SHINE: The Circles Quilt



Block Eight: Slovene Circle



The inspiration for this block came from the Serbian Orthodox Church in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Pattern by Elizabeth Eastmond Each finished block measures 13" square • Finished quilt is 70" square Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Please read all the way through General Instructions before beginning. Make the number of copies needed (on page 2 of this pattern).

- 1. Don't cut apart all the pieces: leave the Small Diamond Pieces B1-B2 as as one unit.
- 2. Begin by piecing two strips of fabric together for the Small Diamonds B1-B2, as shown in the General Instructions on page 3. I often don't glue the lower edges, near the center circle.
- 3. After preparing Small Diamonds B1-B2, sew them together in groups of two, beginning at the "shoulders" of the diamonds, and stitch down towards the inner circle edge.
- 4. Repeat this process with the matched set of Outer Diamonds D1-D2. Lay out all your pieces so you can see them. There are many ways to proceed, so if you are experienced in EPP, feel free to carry on. I'll give instructions for how I proceeded.
- 5. Sew one Inner Square C to one Outer Diamond D1-D2--it only fits one way. Repeat.
- 6. Sew together a pair of Inner Diamonds B1-B2. Using the unit sewn in Step 5, atta Outer Diamond unit to an Inner Diamond unit. Repeat until you have sewn all the together that you can. You will have some Large Diamond-Square units left.
- 7. Lay out your circle, to see how these units will fit together, and sew the usually work in smaller groups of three or four, then join those together entire circle is stitched.
- 8. Finish according to General Instructions.

SHINE: Block Eight SHINE: Block Eight С Print these pages **twice**, for a total of 12 pieces for each shape. Cut out circle A once. Don't cut apart B1-B2, instead see Piecing Tips in General Instructions. It is helpful to cut the circle slightly larger to cover the center hole, due to variations in hand-piecing. English Paper Piecing patterns have no seam allowances; add them when cutting out the pieces. 8 Please see General Instructions for more information. Center Circle **B2 B2** 8 8 Left small diamond Right small diamond Left small diamond Right small diamond 8 8 Right small diamond Right large Left large Outer Pric Left small diamond diamond diamond 8 8 BS D2 Inner square 8 **Outer Arc** 8 Outer Arc

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