

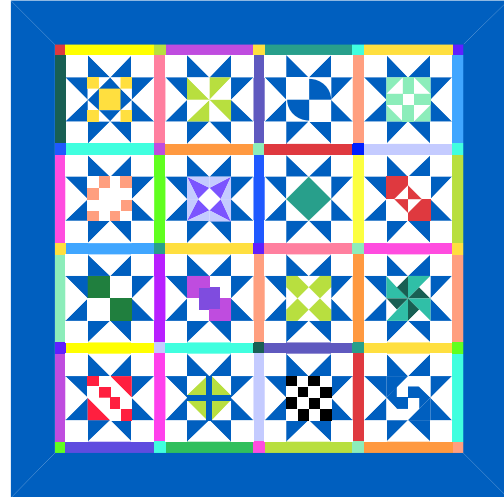


Options for Other Blocks for the Piece Maker Lady Quilt

If you use one of these, write in the name of the block on the spreadsheet. Since this quilt is all over the map in terms of block sizes, do the size you want to, but prefer this other block to be less than 10" in size.



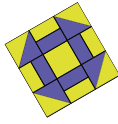
Block Option One: Make me a hexie block, but please do use a red background. This one is 1" hexies.



Block Option Two: Star H or Star I from my Sawtoothmania pattern, but use a red background. If you are a newbie Gridster and need the pattern, contact me.

First Monday Sew-day! June 1, 2020

Nine-patch and Churn Dash Blocks



These are two of the first blocks I ever learned to make (followed up by the Log Cabin, from last month). I made all the quilts for my babies out of Nine-Patch, either by using the original block, or a variation, such as Churn Dash. There are many other variations we could talk about, but this is enough for one handout.

BASIC STEPS FOR A 9-PATCH

1-Cut each piece 3 1/2" square. Note there are two colors, laid out in alternating sequence.

2-Sew first two blocks together in each row. Then add on the third block to each row.

3- When you press the seam to the dark, the rows will "fit" together when you go to sew.

4- Sew rows 1 and 2 together, then add row 3. Press. I usually press that long seam away from the center, but it doesn't matter.

Are you making a whole bunch of nine-patches? Then cut strips and sew them together. For each nine-patch, you'll need two sets, as shown. You'll use twice as much of the top strip set as the bottom. If your strips are cut 3 1/2" each, then cut your cross-sections into 3 1/2" wide units, as the white lines indicate.

First Monday Sew-day! February 3, 2020

Flying Geese

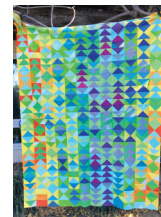
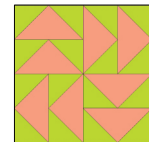
There are two basic parts to this little unit—one is the "goose" and one is the "leg". The goose is the larger triangle, and the legs are the two side units. Usually I just refer to them as smaller and larger triangles, but now you have the complete vernacular.

- Side A is always twice as long as side B.
- If side A finishes to 3" then side B is 1 1/2".
- If you know side B is 2" then side A is 4".

Cutting instructions: Since you now know that a half-square triangle needs an extra 7/8" to make this simple Flying Geese block, you would add 7/8" to the "leg" of B measurement. For the "goose" add 1/2" on both A and B measurements (because we use 1/4" seam allowances everywhere).

The fun begins when Flying Geese are combined into units.

The Temperature Quilt to the right is ONLY Flying Geese, some flipped up and some down, in different colors. (Info about this quilt is on my blog, OPQuilt.com.)



Block Option Three: Nine-patch or Churn Dash, but use a red background. A handout on how to make one is found on my blog under Past Endeavors-> Firsts Monday Sew-days.

Block Option Four: Flying Geese, either a healthy strip or a block of eight, but use a red background. A handout on how to make one is found on my blog under Past Endeavors-> Firsts Monday Sew-days.