

## Memories of Provence

2012
Block of the Month

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## Month 5

Make 1 Square up to $121 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$ "


|  |  | $1-31 / 21$ square |
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|  | (Step 4) |  |
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You will need the "Fit to Be Square Ruler" by Open Gate Quilts
And Eleanor Burns, Quilt In A Day 1½"x3" Finished Flying Geese Ruler

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Step 1 and 2 - Quarter Square Triangles and Half Square Triangles - Make 4 of each

Step 1 - Sew the Green Dot and Background $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares together as shown. Right sides together and $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on either side of the center line. Cut apart and press. DON'T SQUARE UP! Rotate half of your HST's and place the squares right sides together with the seams nesting. Again, mark your center line perpendicular to the seam and sew $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on either side. Cut
 apart between the seams and press open. NOW square up to $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Step 2 - Sew the Black and Background $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares together as shown. Right sides together and $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on either side of the center line. Cut apart and Lightly Press. Square to $2^{\prime \prime}$.


Assemble in rows as shown to the right with the blocks from Step 1 through 3, the Center $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square and the corner $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares.

Pressing is really the path of least resistance on this block. The way I did mine was to make the rows and then turn it over and see which way they landed. Then checked the second and third rows and on and on.

The real trick here is to carefully match the seams when you put the rows together. A simple way to do this is to use the "pin" technique. You place a pin through the top and bottom rows where you want the seams to match. Hold that pin straight up and down and pin the fabrics together. Carefully sew and check your work!

## Step 4 - Assemble 1

Step 3 - Flying Geese - Make 4 and 8
Using the Eleanor Burns method of assembly, Take the $6^{\prime \prime}$ Square of Pink and the $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square of Background and make 4 Flying Geese.

Take the two 6" Squares of Black and the two $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares of Green Dot and make 8 Flying Geese.

Square up to 2 " $\times 31 / 2$ ". To do this, separate the "raw" Flying Geese. Use your ruler and cut the top $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam allowance across the tip of the triangle FIRST! Turn and cut the bottom of the triangle at 2" Then cut the sides.

Make 4


Make 8



