

Block of the Month: February 2018

Water Wheel



This old traditional block is called water wheel. Let's make a zillion of these blocks this month in the hope that a lot of rain will soon come our way. We sure could use it!!!

Materials Needed

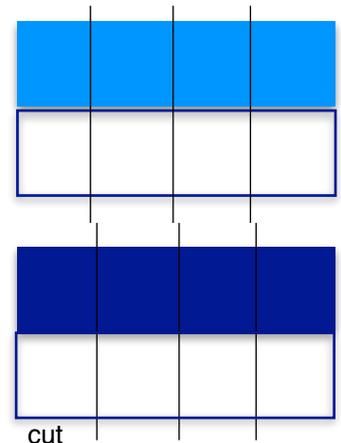
Medium Blue Print: (1) 10"x2.5" strip, (2) 5" squares, (1) 4.5" square

Dark Blue Print: (1) 10"x2.5" strip

Light background: (2) 10"x2.5" strips, (2) 5" squares

Instructions

1. Make two sets of the following half square triangles. Place, right sides together, a 5" medium blue with a 5" light background. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the white piece, and sew 1/4" on both sides of the line. Cut on the drawn line to produce two half square triangles. As this unit is oversized, you need to trim it to 4.5" square aligning your ruler on the diagonal line.
2. Repeat with the other two 5" squares.
3. Now for the corner four square blocks. Sew two strip sets with each of the blue strips paired with a white strip. Press to the dark. Cut into four 2.5" pieces (by 4.5" tall).
4. Sew together a dark blue/light unit with a medium blue/light unit, offsetting the blue squares.
5. Sew together your nine units as illustrated, carefully observing that a white is in each corner and the medium blue touches the medium blue half square triangle.
6. Your block will measure **12.5"x12.5" square**.



To participate in the BOM, make the block described, bring it to the February meeting, post your block on the design wall, write down your name on the count sheet, and if you want to win all blocks of that month, place your name in the basket to win.

Contact kbkreativ@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on February 5, 2018. More info on the BOM on our [web site](http://www.mpqg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/) at www.mpqg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/