

Block of the Month: November 2017

* Double Hourglass On Point*



The September Double Hourglass was a huge success for our BOM. So, Marjorie Longo found this version of the block put on point with background. And the method is mind-blowing and super easy - of course, because Jenny Doan from Missouri Star Quilt Company shows it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOWSp0mTTqE> (Search: "Tube Tutorial - How to Quilt" - there is a mistake though - strips sew to 4.5" not 4.25")

Materials Needed

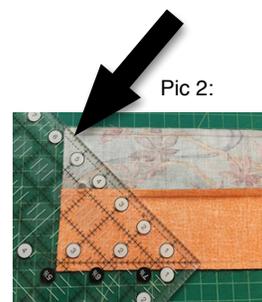
(2) 21" x 2.5" strips of contrasting "AUTUMN" fabric
(1) 21" 4.5" strip of background fabric (beige, brown, black, anything that works well with your other 2 strips to make them shine).
Spray Starch

Instructions

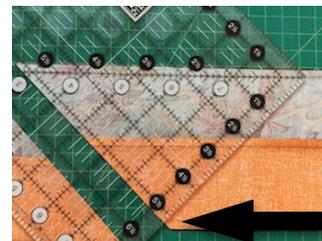
1. Lightly spray starch fabric strips and iron dry to help with bias cuts.
2. Take the two 2.5" strips of fabric and sew them together on the long side with a 1/4" seam - use 2.0 stitch length or smaller. Press seams to the darker fabric. Unit should measure 21" x 4.5".
3. Now lay the background 4.5" strip right side up, and place the strip unit that you created in No. 1 on top (right sides together). Pin if desired.
4. Sew a 1/4" seam along the long side - on both sides. You are creating a tube. Place on cutting board.
5. Pick a ruler with a 45 degree line. Place the 45 degree line on the bottom sew line so that the top of the ruler just goes thru top seam line - as shown in pic 2 - cut. Save first cut triangle for other use.
6. Turn the ruler and line up the 45 degree line with the top seam line, and the cutting line will go right through the bottom seam line at 5.75". Cut.
7. Turn ruler again, now lining up with bottom seam line, and ruler going through top seam at 5.75". Cut.
8. Repeat No. 5 and 6 once more to create four units. Open up the units and see the surprise - you have two different units in duplicate. Press to background fabric.
9. Sew the units together as you see in top picture: sew together 2 units, press seams in opposite directions, nest the seams, sew together the double unit, and then press seam open. Trim the dog ears.
10. Block will measure 11"x11".

Note: Create another unit from first and last cut triangle scraps - use for border or another use.

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



Pic 2:



Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on November 6, 2017. 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/