

## Block of the Month: January 2020

### \* Scrappy Court House Steps in Blue and Light\*



What colors have we not used in a while and fit the season? Blue and Light as in Winter Blues. Here is a block that Bonnie Hunter just posted a tutorial for. So, check it out on her website if these instructions are unclear. <https://quiltville.blogspot.com/2019/10/crooked-courthouse-steps.html#more> But make sure you make the size requested here!

#### **Materials Needed**

Go into your scrap bin and pull these:

- (1) 2" square for the center - bright green
- (8) strips of light fabric (white, cream, palest blue) sized 2" to 8" long and 3/4" to 2" wide
- (8) strips of blue fabric - sized 3" to 10" long and 3/4" to 2" wide

#### **Instructions**

1. Starting with the green center square, add the shortest light fabric pieces to two opposite sides. Press away from center. Trim length as needed to match with center square. (pic 1)
2. Sew the two shortest blue strips to the opposite two sides. Press away from center. Cut off any extra to create a square - it's not important to have it even or square — it's improv. (pic 2)
3. Continue building in this manner to two opposing sides with each color, pressing away from center, trimming where necessary until four (4) strips have been added to all four sides.
4. Ideally, your last strip is wider than 1/2" so that it won't be cut off when squared up or get lost in the seam allowance when sewing to another block.
5. **Square up your block to 9.5" x 9.5"**



**Admire and make another if you enjoyed it!**

Contact [kathrin.brown@gmail.com](mailto:kathrin.brown@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. If you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on **January 6, 2020**. More info on the BOM at [www.mpqg.org/block-of-the-month.htm](http://www.mpqg.org/block-of-the-month.htm)