

BLOCK OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2008

WORLD'S FAIR

You will need three fabrics which coordinate. One light, one medium and one dark. Please use light green fabrics for the A and B noted sections. Use the medium for C and dark for D.

- Piece A. Cut four 3-1/2" squares
- Piece B Cut one 6-7/8" square
- Piece C Cut one 6-7/8" square
- Piece D Cut four 3-1/2" squares

Using the large squares, B & C, make half square triangles using your favorite method. (My favorite method is to draw a line diagonally from one corner to the other on the back side of one square. Put the two squares together, right sides together and sew a 1/4" seam on either side of the line. Cut on the line and "voila" two lovely half square triangle blocks!)

With right sides together, sew each of the A squares to the D squares. Press the seams to the darker fabric. Take two of these sets and sew them together, so that you have a four patch with the lighter fabric on the top on one side and on the bottom on the other side, as shown in the diagram. Repeat with the other sets.

Now take one of the four patch sets and sew to the darker part of the half square triangle block, as shown in the diagram, and repeat with the other pairs. Make sure that the lighter four patch blocks are aligned to go diagonally from one corner of the finished block to the other and that the darker triangles are toward the center of the block.

You should end up with a 12-1/2" unfinished square.

As usual, for each square you make for the raffle, you will receive one chance to win the raffle blocks. If you make one extra block, it will be donated to the Charity Quilts committee, and you will receive an extra ticket for the raffle. Members who want to make blocks for charity without entering the raffle are encouraged to do so. Please keep in mind that most of the charity quilts will get heavy duty use, so use fabrics that can stand up to washing and drying.

Thank you for all the blocks you've made. I hope you've enjoyed them as much as I've enjoyed making them up.

Mary Lou Gendron, Block of the Month gendron1974@verizon.net if you have any questions.