Barbara Brackman's Civil War Sampler

Month 10 (Blocks 37-40)

General Tips:
1. When following the book, an accurate ¼" seam is needed. Check your seams to make sure they are ¼". For blocks with a lot of seams, a scant ¼" seam work even better.
2. The blocks this month are not easily trimmed down. Make sure the ¼" seam is accurate.
3. If you follow the instructions in the book, you are cutting on a bias edge. I suggest using spray starch to reduce the stretching.

Block #37 Fort Sumter (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Pink (Dk Brown)	(4) 2 ½" x 3 ½"
Blue (Cream)	(2) 3 7/8" x 3 7/8" cut diagonally twice
White (Blue)	(4) 1 ½" x 1 ½"
Gold (Red)	(4) 1 ½" x 4 1/8"
Yellow (Multi)	4 1/8" x 4 1/8"

1. Place pieces as shown.

2. Sew gold (red) rectangle to opposite sides of center square.

3. Sew white (blue) squares to each side of the remaining gold (red) rectangles.

4. Add strips from step 3 to the center along sides not used in step 2.

5. Sew blue (cream) to opposite sides of the pink (dk brown) squares.

6. Sew the corners onto opposites sides of the center. There should be ¼" overhang. Press.

7. Sew the remaining corners to the remaining sides. Press. The triangles should create a straight line. If not, repositioning making sure to center and have ¼" overhang.

8. The width and height should be 8 ½". Trim the corners lining up the ruler with the edge of the triangles.

9. Trim the remaining 2 sides.

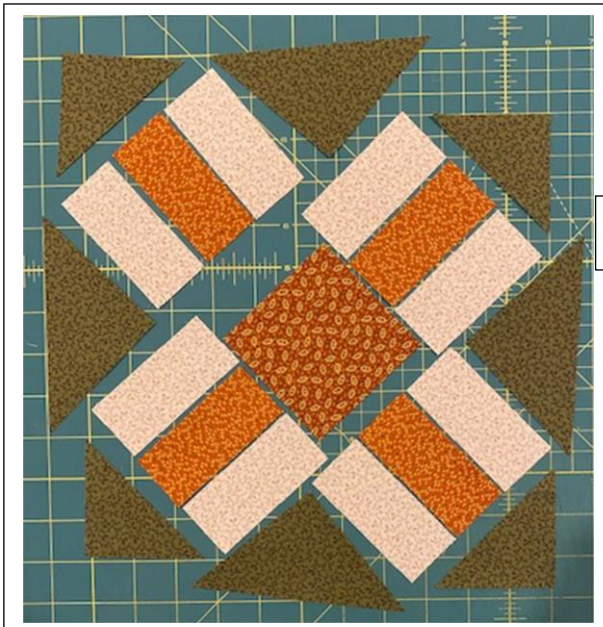**Final Block 37 – Fort Sumter**

Block #38 Railroad Crossing (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

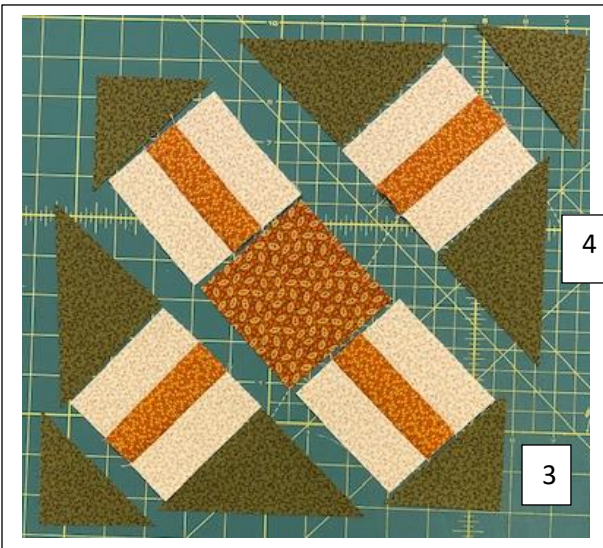| Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Blue (Green)	(2) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8" cut diagonally; (1) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally twice
Cream (Cream)	(8) 1 ½" x 3 3/8"
Pink rectangle (Orange)	(4) 1 ½" x 3 3/8"
Pink Sq (Orange)	(1) 3 3/8" x 3 3/8"

1. Sew cream rectangle to each long side of the pink (orange) rectangle.

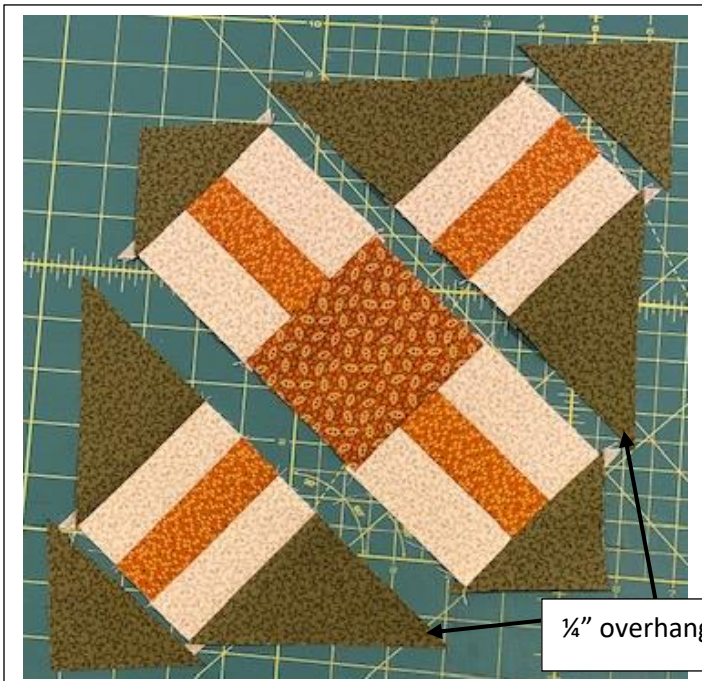2. Please pieces as shown to create 3 rows with two end pieces.

3. With the center row, sew the piece created in step 1 to each side of the center square. Then center the end triangles.

4. For each row next to the center, sew a Large blue (green) triangle to the piece created in step 1.

¼" overhang

5. Sew the rows together lined up as shown. The small blue (green) triangle will be centered.

The triangles should create a straight line. If they are off, make sure it has ¼" overhang.

Block #38 - Railroad Crossing

Block #39 Kentucky Crossroads

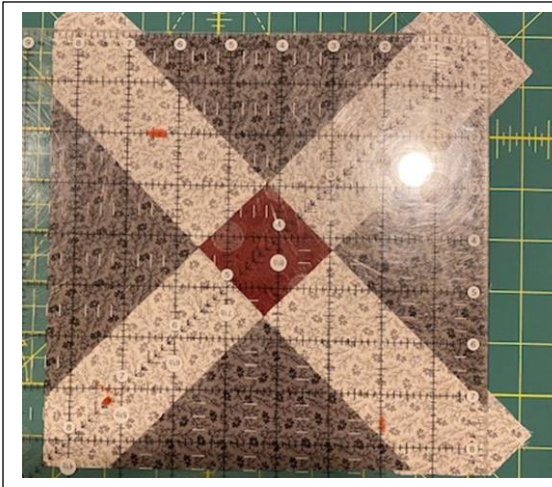| Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Cream (cream)	(4) 2 3/8" x 5 ½"
Purple (grey)	(1) 6 5/8" x 6 5/8" cut diagonally twice
Grey (red)	(1) 2 3/8" x 2 3/8"

1. Sew cream rectangle to each side of the center square.

2. Sew the purple triangles to each side of the remaining cream rectangles.

3. Sew the 2 pieces created in step 2 to each side of the piece created in step 1.

4. The block should be 8 ½" x 8 ½" from the edge of the triangles. Line of your ruler and trim the corners. There should not be any trimming needed from the triangles.

Block #39 – Kentucky Crossroads

Block #40 Texas Tears

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Tan (Yellow)	(2) 3 9/16" x 3 9/16"cut diagonally (1) 3 15/16"x 3 15/16"cut diagonally twice
Brown (Brown)	(2) 3 15/16" x 3 15/16" cut diagonally twice (1) 1 7/16" x 8 ¾" (2) 1 7/16" x 4 ¼"
Blue (Orange)	(1) 6 1/8" x 6 1/8" cut diagonally twice

1.Sew a blue (orange) triangle to each side of the shorter brown (brown) rectangles.

2. Center and sew the piece created in step 1 to the longer brown (brown) rectangle.

3. Trim the piece in step 2 to 5 7/8" square.

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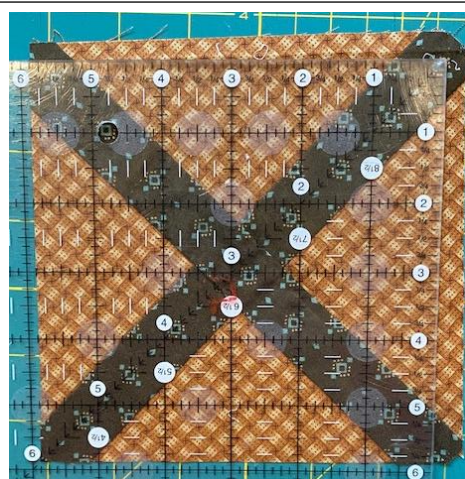

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4. Sew the small brown triangles and tan (yellow) small triangles in the pattern shown. There will be ¼" overhang.

5. Sew the pieces created in step 4 to each side of the piece created in step 3 pressing as each side is added.

6. Add the tan (yellow) larger triangle to each corner. There will be ¼" overhang.

Block #40 – Texas Tears