

## Barbara Brackman's Civil War Sampler

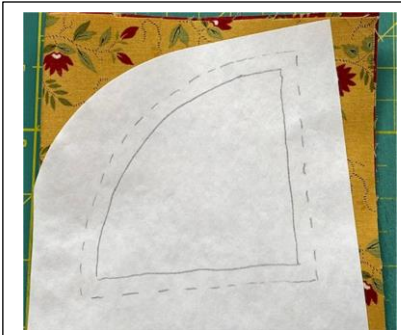
## Month 11 (Blocks 41-44)

## General Tips:

1. When following the book, an accurate  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam is needed. Check your seams to make sure they are  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". For blocks with a lot of seams, a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam work even better.
2. The blocks this month are not easily trimmed down. Make sure the  $\frac{1}{4}$ " 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 #41 Indiana Puzzle

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Light Blue	(2) cut from shape on page 101
Blue	(2) cut from shape on page 101
Yellow	(2) cut from shape on page 101
Red	(2) cut from shape on page 101



1. Cut (2) Yellow and (2) Red of the quarter circle shape.
2. Cut (2) Light Blue and (2) Blue of the outer piece shape.
3. Place them as shown.



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If you have a curve template, I like to use them as a guide but scissors or using the rotary cutter without a template is fine. Just try to be as close to the shape in the book as possible.



4. I pin the ends and then the center of the quarter circle piece and the outside piece. I like to pin a lot to reduce puckers.

5. I put the quarter circle piece on top and used my thumb as feeding it into the machine to check for puckers.

**Remove pins! Do not sew over the pins!**







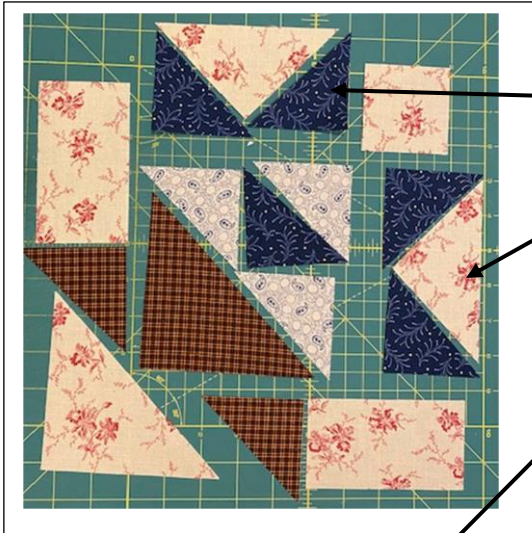
6. Sew into 2 rows.
7. Sew the rows together.



**Block #41 – Indiana Puzzle**

## Block #42 Grapes of Wrath (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Cream (Cream)	(1) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2", (1) 5 1/4" x 5 1/4" cut diagonally twice (discard 2); (2) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2", (1) 4 7/8" x 4 7/8" cut diagonally (discard 1)
Light Purple (Blue)	(3) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8" cut diagonally (discard 1)
Dark Purple (White/Blue)	(2) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8" cut diagonally (discard 1)
Gold (Brown)	(1) 4 7/8" x 4 7/8" cut diagonally (discard 1) and (1) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8" cut diagonally

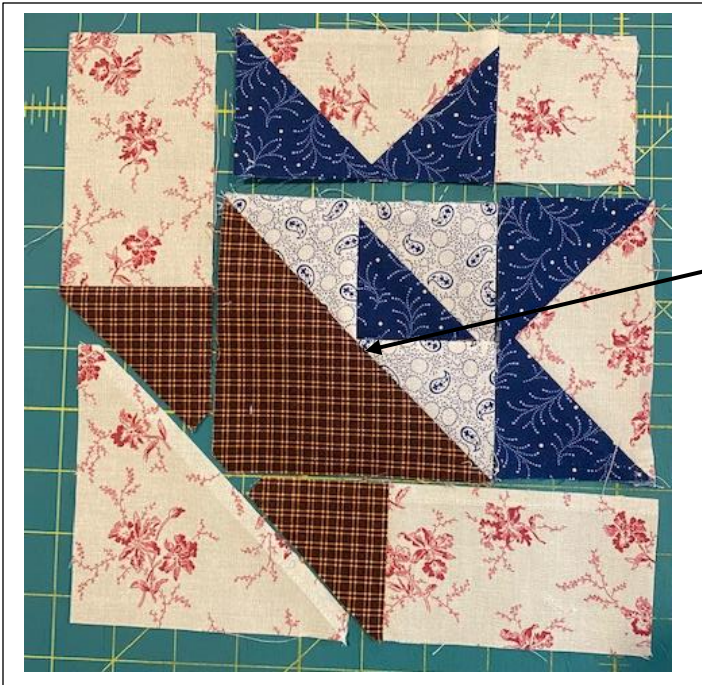


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1. Place pieces as shown.
2. Sewing the flying geese together.
3. Sew one Dark purple (White/Blue) and one Light purple (Blue).
4. Sew the Dark purple (White/Blue) to the HST done in step 3.
5. Sew the cream square to the flying geese.
6. Sew Gold (Brown) triangle to rectangles.







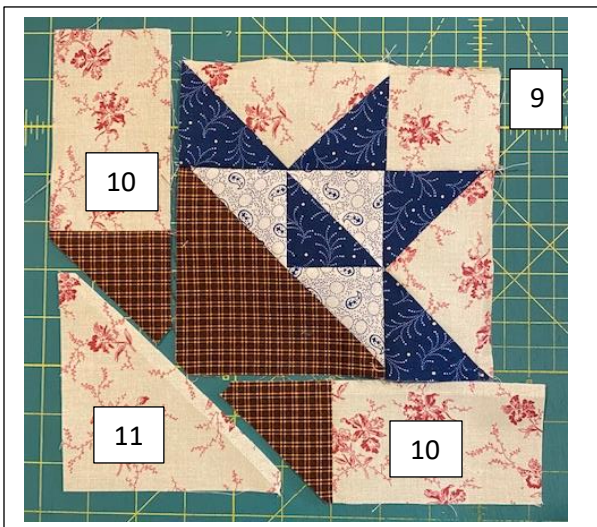
7. Sew piece created in step 4 with Gold (Brown) triangle.

8. Sew flying geese (one without the square attached) to piece created in step 7.

9. Sew piece created in step 5 to piece created in step 8.

10. Sew piece created in step 6 to piece created in step 9. Pay attention to the angles of the Gold (brown) triangles).

11. Sew the Cream (cream) triangle to the piece created in step 10.





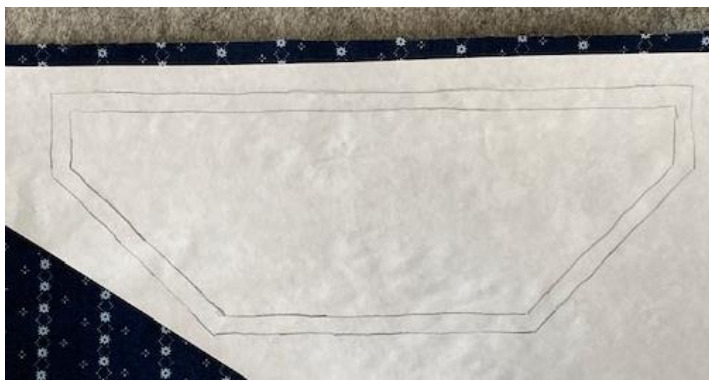
**Block #42 – Grapes of Wrath**



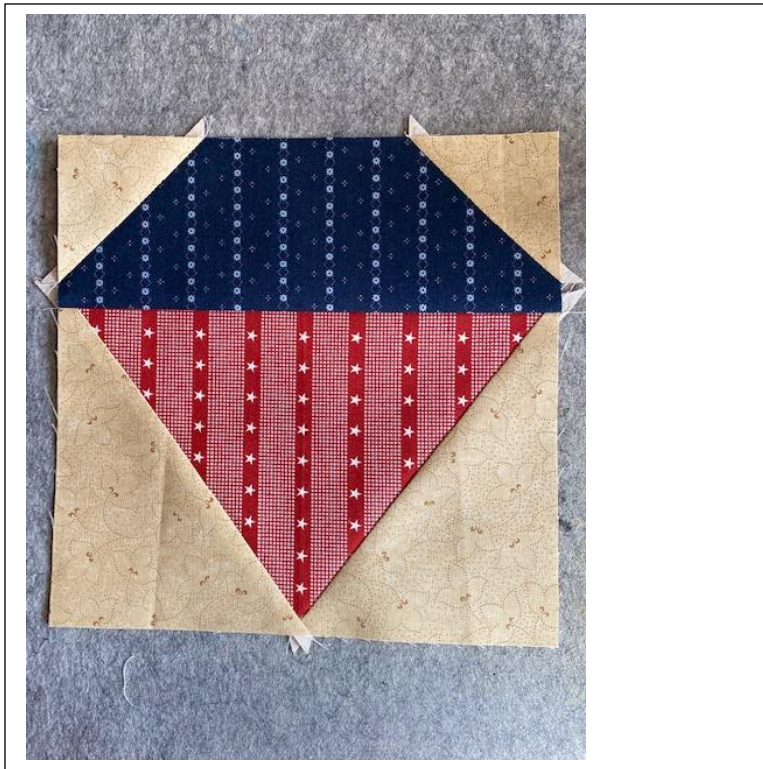
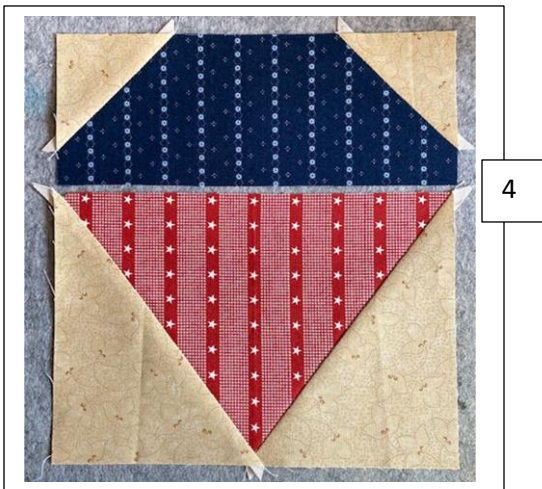
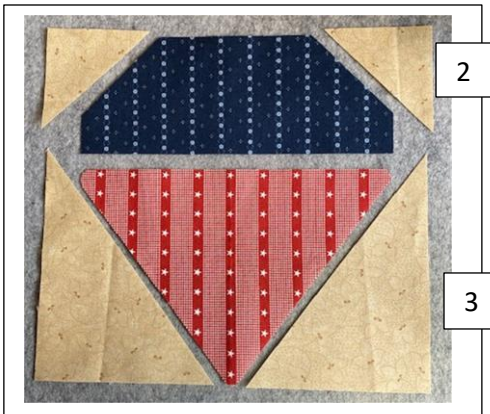


## Block #43 Union Shield

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Cream (cream)	(1) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8" cut diagonally and (2) 4 3/4" x 6 1/4" cut diagonally (with right sides together)
Blue (blue)	Use shapes on page 102
Red (red)	Use shapes on page 102



1. When cutting the 4 3/4" x 6 1/4" rectangle diagonally, make sure you cut with right sides together. Your pieces need to mirror each other.



2. Sew the pieces from the rectangles to each side of the D shape. There will be  $\frac{1}{4}$ " overhang on each side.

3. Sew the square cut diagonally to the B shape. There will  $\frac{1}{4}$ " overhang.

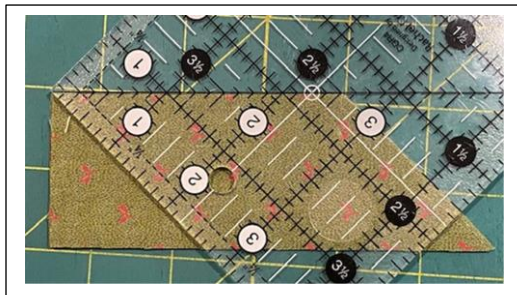
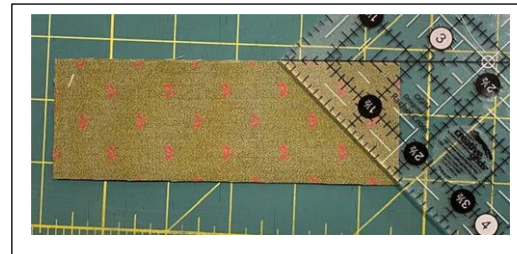
4. Sew the top with the bottom piece.

**Block #43 – Union Shield**



## Block #44 – West Virginia

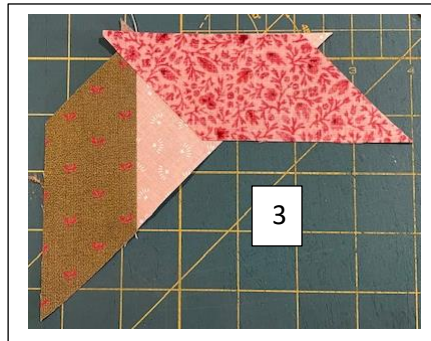
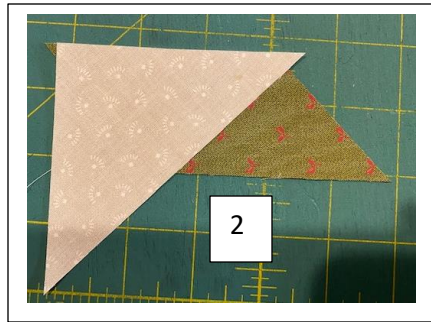
Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Cream (cream) (Center)	(1) 4 ½" x 4 ½"
Red (red)	(4) 1 7/8" x 5 3/8"
Blue (blue)	(4) 1 7/8" x 5 3/8"
Cream (cream) (outer triangles)	(1) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally twice



1. To get the correct angle on the red (red) and blue (green) rectangles, I lined up the 45 degree line with the edge of the strip and trimmed the corner. Pay attention to the angle of the red (red) and blue (green) since they will be a mirror image of each other.

With critical angles like this one, I will fold back before cutting to check just to make sure.





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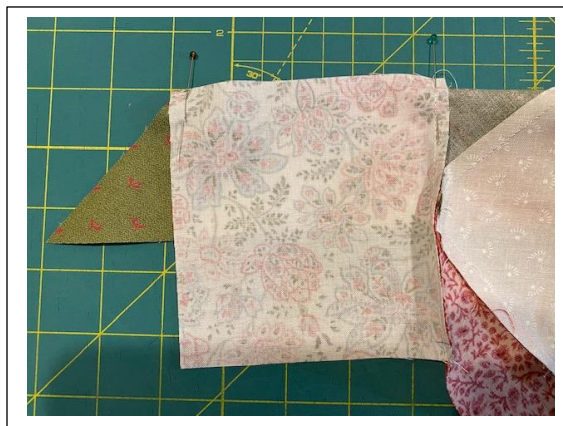


2. Sew the cream triangle along side shown of green piece. There will be  $\frac{1}{4}$ " of overhang.

3. Take the piece from step 2 and add to the red piece. There will be  $\frac{1}{4}$ " of overhang.

4. Sew the piece created in step 3 to center square. This block as y seams so you will stop stitching  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the end of the piece created in step 3 and the center square. The best results will be when all seams end at the same spot.

I have marked with pins the ending points







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5. I complete one piece before going to the next.

6. Continue until all 4 seams to each corner are done.



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