Barbara Brackman's Civil War Sampler

Month 8 (Blocks 29-32)

General Tips:

- 1. When following the book, an accurate $\frac{1}{2}$ seam is needed. Check your seams to make sure they are $\frac{1}{2}$. For blocks with a lot of seams, a scant $\frac{1}{2}$ 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 #29 Log Cabin (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Red (Red)	(1) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8"
Dark (Black w/ stripe)	(1) 1 7/8" x 3 1/8"
Dark (Black w/ red dots)	(1) 1 7/8" x 5 7/8" each
Light (White w/ diamond)	
Dark (Black w/ diamonds)	(1) 1 7/8" x 4 ½" each
Light (White w/ flowers & vines)	
Dark (Black w/ Red flowers)	(1) 1 7/8" x 7 ¼" each
Light (White w/ small flowers)	
Light (White w/ red flowers)	(1) 1 7/8" x 8 5/8"



Placement of pieces.

You will be working from the center and working your way to the outer edge.

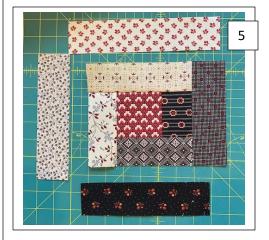
1. Sew Dark 3 1/8" piece to center square.



- 2. Sew Dark 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " piece to piece created in step 1.
- 3. Sew Light 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " piece to piece created in step 2.
- 4. Sew Light 5 7/8" piece to piece created in step 3.
- 5. Sew Dark 5 7/8" piece to piece created in step 4.
- 6. Sew Dark 7 ¼" piece to piece created in step 5.





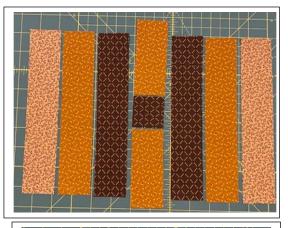






Block #30 H is for Hospital (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Green & Blue (Brown)	(1) 1 5/8" x 1 5/8" and (2) 1 5/8" x 8 ½"
Cream & Light Green (Orange)	(2) 1 5/8" x 8 ½" and (2) 1 5/8" x 4"
Yellow (Cream)	(2) 1 5/8" x 8 ½"



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- 1. Sew light green 4" strips to blue square.
- 2. Sew all columns together to complete the block.



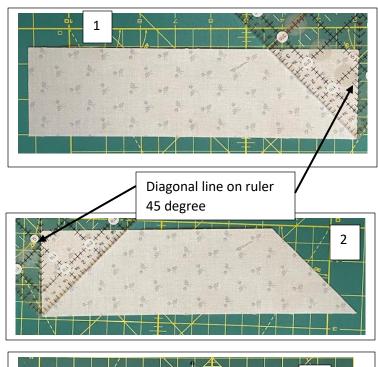
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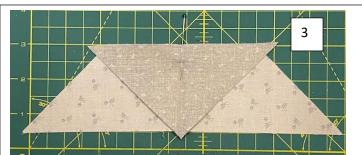




Block #31 Empty Spools

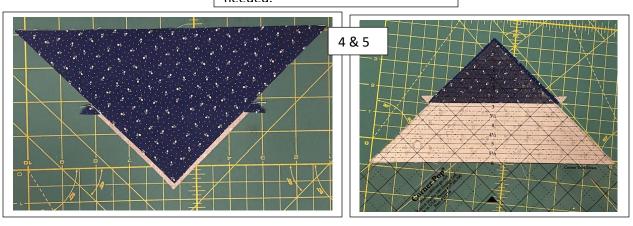
Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Pink (Blue)	(1) 9 ¼" x 9 ¼" cut diagonally and (1) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut
	diagonally
Cream (cream)	(2) 2 ½" x 9 ½"





- 1. Take the (2) 2 ½" x 9 ¼" rectangles and trim the corner using the 45 degree line on your ruler.
- 2. Trim off both corners as shown.
- 3. Center the smaller triangle with the smaller side of the trimmed rectangle. I marked my centers with a pin.
- 4. Putting right sides together, I used the "A" triangle to trim the excess from the pieced triangle using the smaller "C" triangle and trimmed rectangle.
- If you have a ruler to trim corners such as the Corner Pop ruler, it can also be used to trim the piece created in Step 3.

Optional ways to trim excess if needed.







- 6. Sew larger triangle to pieced triangle created in Step 3.
- 7. Sew the 2 sections created in 1 together.

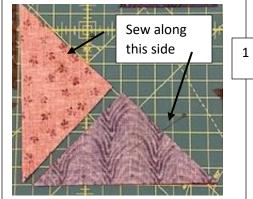
Final Block 31 – Empty Spools

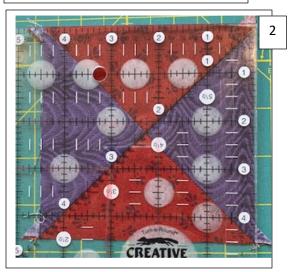


Block #32 Old Maid's Puzzle (Parenthesis shows what used in example)

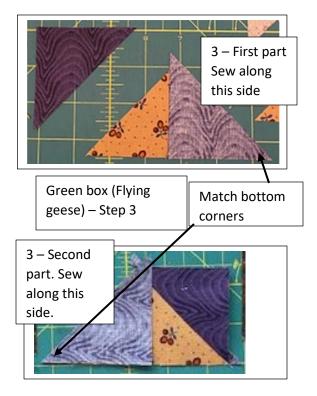
Cutting blocks	Based on pattern
Yellow (Red)	(1) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally
Green (Purple)	(1) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally
	(2) 2 7/8 x 2 7/8 cut diagonally
Tan (Brown)	(2) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally
Lt Pink (Tan)	(2) 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" cut diagonally
	(2) 2 7/8" x 2 7/8 cut diagonally

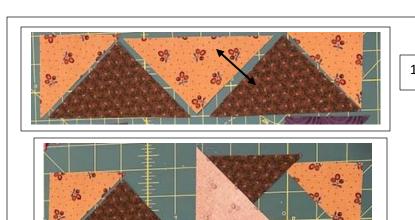






- 1. For the section in the blue box, sew a yellow (red) triangle to the green (purple) triangle along the diagonal line.
- 2. Sew the sections created in step 1 to create the center of the block. Block should be approximately 4 ½" square.
- 3. For the section in the green box (flying geese), take a light pink (tan) triangle and add a green (purple) triangle along the diagonal line. Press. Then add a green triangle (purple) along the other diagonal line.











- 1. For the side columns, sew a light pink (B) triangle to a tan (B) triangle as shown. There will be ¼" overhang on each side. Press.
- 2. Add another tan triangle as shown. There will be overhang on this one as well. Press.
- 3. Add the (2) light pink (A) triangles as shown. The bottom corners will match but there will be overhang on the top.

NOTE: As you add these, these side should be straight. If you noticed the outside edges not being straight, check your 1/4" seam.



Sew the flying geese to each side of the hourglass as shown.

Sew the 3 columns together.



Block 32 – Old Maid's Puzzle

