

Block of the Month

At CQC's Holiday meeting on December 3rd, we will begin a Block of the Month exchange. All blocks will be based on the Ohio Star pattern. As for fabric choice, anything goes - this will be a wonderfully scrappy quilt. You can make as many blocks as you wish. Bring them to the next regular meeting and for every block submitted, you will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win sets of blocks!

Questions? See Sandy Wheeler

Ohio Star Block 1

Light fabric:

Cut 4 squares, 4 1/2"

Cut 1 square, 5 1/2"

Dark fabric:

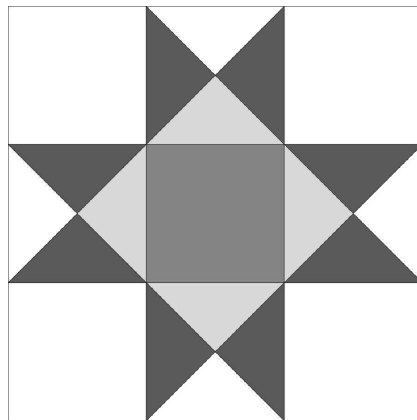
Cut 2 squares, 5 1/2"

Dark Medium fabric:

Cut 1 square, 4 1/2"

Light Medium fabric:

Cut 1 square, 5 1/2"



Place one dark 5 1/2" square and one light 5 1/2" square right sides together. Place the other dark 5 1/2" square and the light medium 5 1/2" square right sides together. Use these to make quarter square triangles.*** [see below for instructions]



Pair a light/dark quarter square triangle unit and a dark/medium quarter square triangle unit, long sides together. Stitch these together using a scant 1/4" seam. Sew carefully, these are bias edges. Repeat with the other quarter square triangles.

Square up all units to 4 1/2" and assemble the block according to the shaded diagram.

***How to make quarter square triangles:

On the back of the lighter of the fabrics, draw a line diagonally from corner to corner. Then draw another line diagonally from corner to corner making an X. These will be cutting lines. Next, draw 2 stitching lines 1/4" on both sides of one of the "X" lines. (Or if you have a 1/4" presser foot it is not necessary to mark the stitching lines.)

With two squares, right sides together, sew on the two outside stitching lines. Next, cut into 2 halves on the marked line between the two stitching lines. Finally, cut/divide those two parts on the other marked line. Press seams open and you will have quarter square triangles!

