

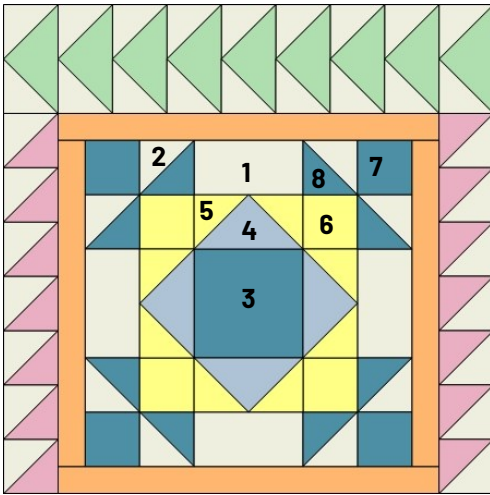


The Celebrate Quilt

Block 3

Block finishes 18" x 18" (unfinished 18½ x 18½)

This block uses the same units as the previous block—half-square triangles (HST), and flying geese units (FG). Again, if you have a favorite way to make these units, feel free to adapt your methods. My instructions use a common method, but personally, I prefer using the a triangle ruler such as the Easy Angle, Omni 96 and 98, or Fons and Porter Flying Geese Ruler. Check out my blog post on [HST Tips](#) for more information. As long as they end up the right size, construction method doesn't matter. **Note:** Only make one block 3 regardless of which size quilt you are making.



Fabric Requirements for Block 1

Background: 1 fat eighth

Fabric 1 (center): 5" square scrap

Fabric 2 (light blue): 1 fat eighth

Fabric 3 (yellow): 1 fat eighth

Fabric 4 (dark blue): 1 fat eighth

Fabric 5 (frame): 1 fat quarter

Assorted scraps: At least (32) 3" squares and (9) 3" x 5" rectangles

Cutting

Background:

cut (1) 4½" strip; sub-cut into (4) 2½" x 4½" rectangles (1)

cut (1) 2⅞" strip; sub-cut into (4) 2⅞" squares (2)

Fabric 1 (center)

cut (1) 4½" square (3)

Fabric 2 (light blue):

cut (1) 4½" strip; sub-cut into (4) 2½" x 4½" rectangles (4)

Fabric 3 (yellow):

cut (2) 2½" strips; sub-cut into (12) 2½" squares (5 and 6)

Fabric 4 (dark blue)

cut (1) 2½" strip; sub-cut into (4) 2½" squares (7)

cut (1) 2⅞" strip; sub-cut into (4) 2⅞" squares (8)

Fabric 5 (frame):

cut (2) 1½" strips; sub-cut into (2) 1½" x 12½" rectangles and (2) 1½" x 14½" rectangles

Assorted scraps:

cut (9) 2½" x 4½" rectangles for FG

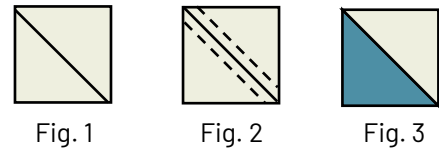
cut (18) 2½" squares for FG

cut (14) 2⅞" squares for HST (half light/medium and half medium/dark for contrast)

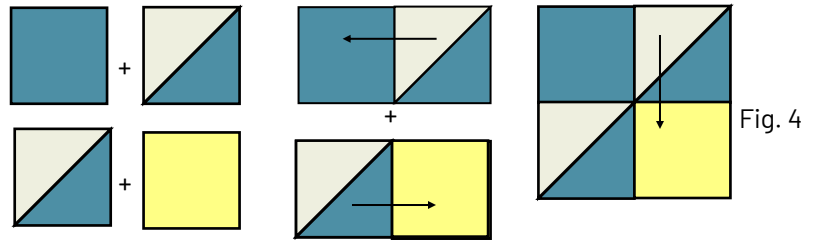
Note: I cut more squares and rectangles than required for my block so I could make it more scrappy. I saved the leftovers to use later in the quilt.

Piecing:

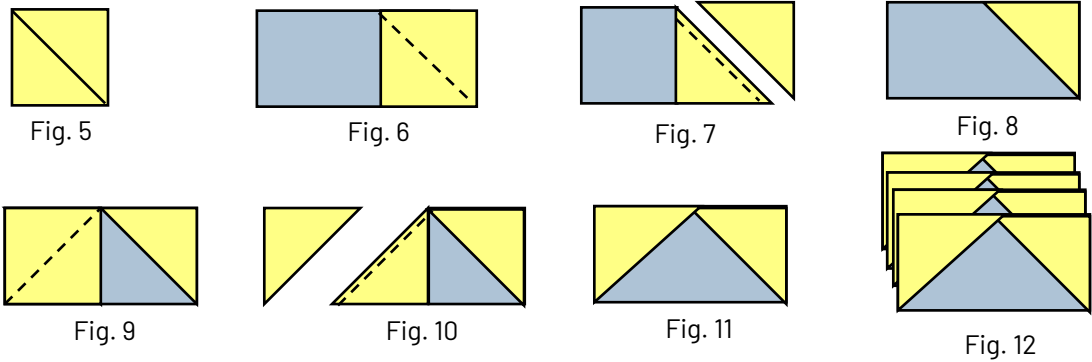
1. **Make HST.** Draw a diagonal line on the back of the four $2\frac{7}{8}$ " background squares (fig. 1). Layer each right sides together (RST) with a $2\frac{7}{8}$ " Fabric 4 square and sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both sides of the drawn line (fig. 2). Cut on the drawn line and press toward fabric 4 (Fig. 3). Yield: 8 HST. They should measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square at this point.



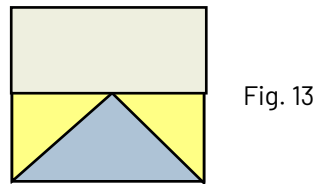
2. Make corner units: follow Fig. 4 diagrams and sew HST to Fabric 3 and Fabric 4 squares as shown to make the corner units. Press as indicated by the arrows. This unit should measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Make 4.



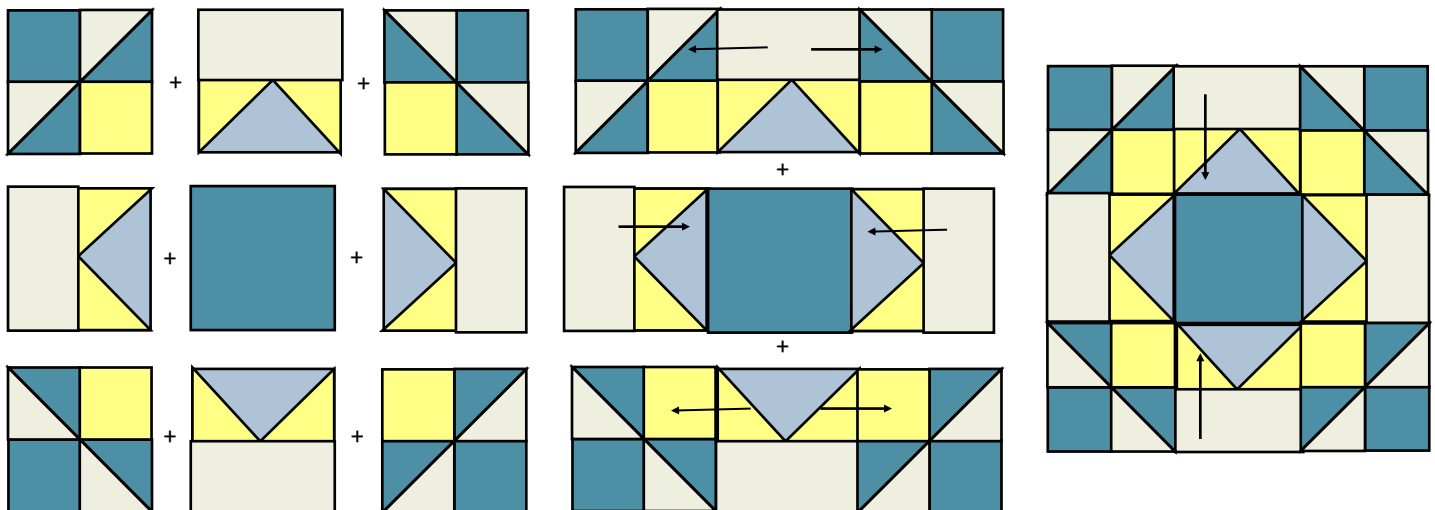
3. **Make FG.** Draw a diagonal line on the back of each of the remaining (8) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Fabric 3 squares (Fig. 5). Place a square RST on top of a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle of Fabric 2. Sew on the drawn line (Fig. 6). Trim corner $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sewing line (Fig. 7). Press toward the corner triangle (Fig. 8). Place a Fabric 3 square RST on the opposite side of the rectangle. Sew on the drawn line (Fig. 9). Trim corner $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sewing line (Fig. 10). Press toward the corner triangle (Fig. 11). Repeat to make four flying geese units. (Fig. 12).



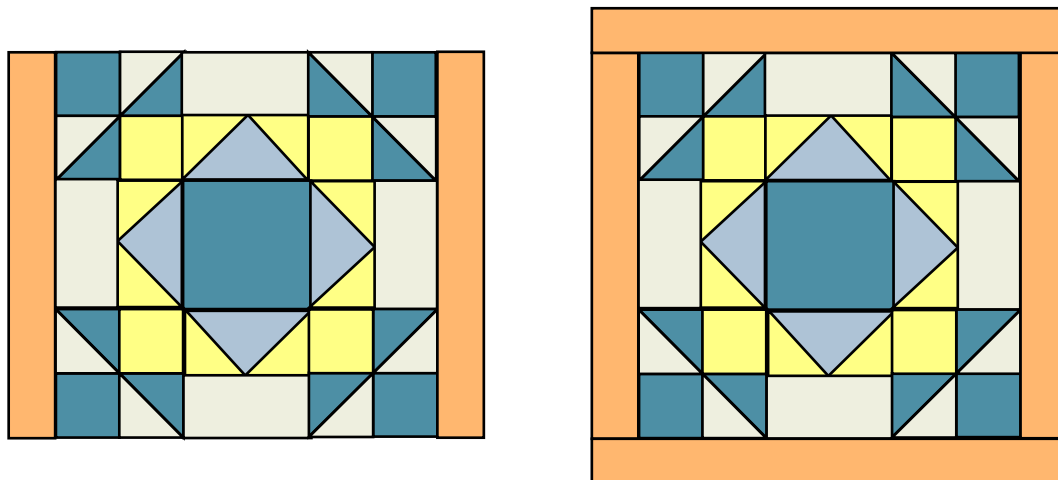
4. **Make center units.** Sew a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle to each of the flying geese units from Step 3 as shown in Figure 13. Press toward BG rectangle. Make four units. geese units.



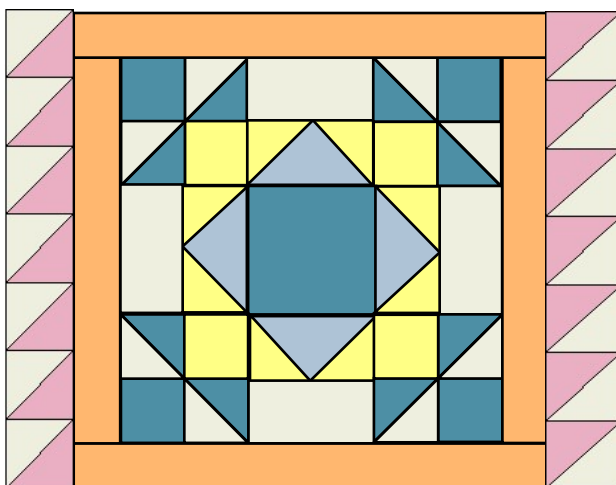
5. **Assemble block.** Follow the diagram below to assemble the block. Press as shown by the arrows.



5. **Add frame to block.** Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Fabric 5 rectangles to the sides of the block. Press toward the rectangles. Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $14\frac{1}{2}$ " Fabric 5 rectangles to the top and bottom of the block. Press toward the rectangles.



6. **Add the filler units.** Follow the instructions for making HST and make 14 scrappy HST. You can make these as scrappy or as coordinated as you like. Sew (7) HSTs together. Make two of these units and sew to each side of the block.



Follow the instructions for making flying geese and make 9 scrappy FG units. Again, you can make these as scrappy or as coordinated as you like. Sew the FG units together and then sew to the top of the block.

