

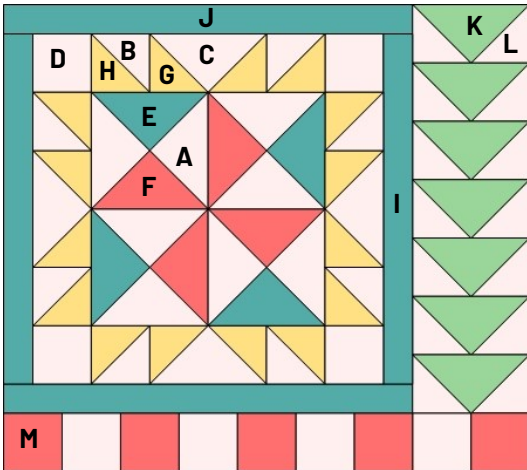


The Celebrate Quilt

Block 5

Block finishes 18"w x 16"h (unfinished 18½ x 16½)

There is another new unit in this month's block: the hourglass block.. Again, there are several ways to construct this unit. These instructions are for probably the most common method. Easy half-square triangles frame the center. **Note:** If you are making the larger quilt, make two of Block 5.



Fabric Requirements for Block 5

Fabric 1(Background): fat quarter

Fabric 2 (teal): Scrap at least 6" square

Fabric 3 (red): Scrap at least 6" square

Fabric 4 (gold): 1 fat eighth

Frame: 1 fat eighth

Assorted scraps for filler blocks: (7) 2½" x 4½" rectangles and (23) 2½" squares

Cutting

Fabric 1: cut (3) 5¼" squares (A) and (C)

cut (4) 2⅞" squares (B)

cut (4) 2½" squares (D)

Fabric 2: cut (1) 5¼" square (E)

Fabric 3: cut (1) 5¼" square. (F)

Fabric 4: cut (8) 2⅞" squares (G) and (H)

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

Assorted scraps for filler blocks:

Note: Since these filler blocks are so scrappy, I use the connector corner to piece the flying geese units. Refer to the instructions on page 3 if you need a refresher on construction techniques.

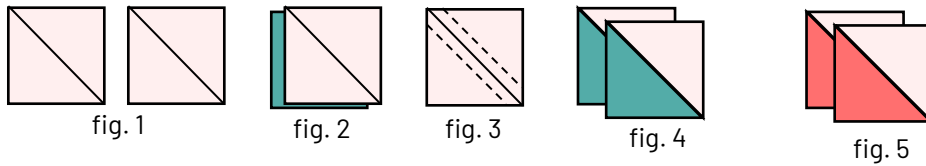
cut (7) 2½" x 4½" rectangles for flying geese (K)

cut (23) 2½" squares; 14 for flying geese (L) and 9 for checkerboard border (M)

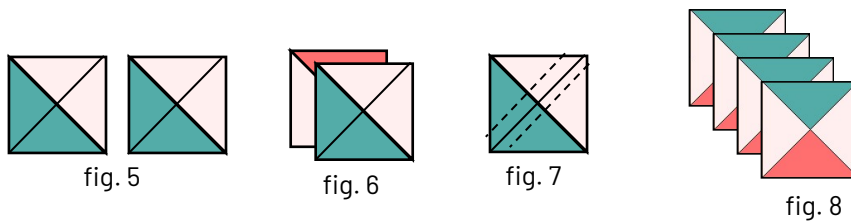
Note: I cut a few additional squares again this month to have extras for later in the quilt.

Piecing:

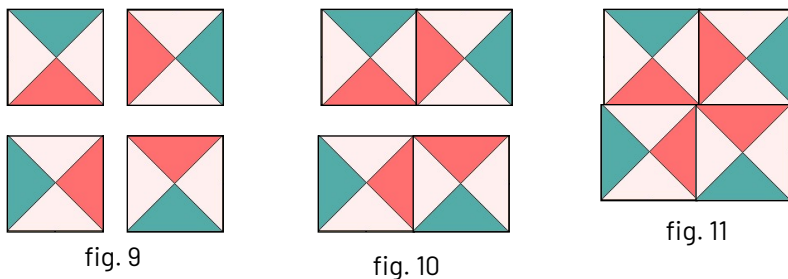
1. **Hourglass blocks.** Draw a diagonal line on the back of the two $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares background squares (fig. 1). Position one square (RST) with a Fabric 2 square (fig. 2). Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both sides of the drawn line (fig. 3). Cut apart on the drawn line and press toward Fabric 2. Yield 2 half-square triangles (HST)(fig. 4). Repeat with the other $5\frac{1}{4}$ " background square and the Fabric 3 square (fig. 5). Set aside the remaining $5\frac{1}{4}$ " background square for the flying geese units in step 4.



2. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the two BG/Fabric 2 HSTs. (fig. 6). Pair each with a BG/Fabric 3 HST with colors opposite (fig. 7). Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both sides of the drawn line (fig. 8). Cut apart on the drawn line and press open. Yield 4 quarter-square triangles (QST)(fig. 9).



3. Piece center square. Arrange hour glass blocks as shown so a pinwheel appears in the center (fig. 9). Sew block together as shown in fig. 10-11. Press seams open (they will be bulky).



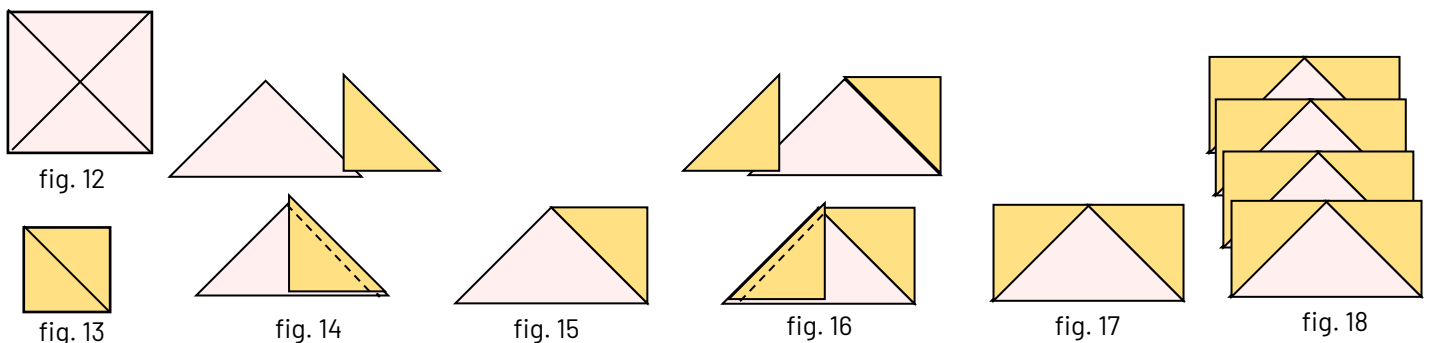
4. **Make FG.** This is the same flying geese method as last month's block. If you are concerned about the bias edges, it helps to spray starch and press the triangles before piecing.

*Collect the remaining $5\frac{1}{4}$ " background square and four Fabric 4 $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares .

*Cut the background square twice on the diagonal (fig. 12) and cut the four Fabric 4 squares once on the diagonal (fig. 13)

*Sew a Fabric 4 triangle to one side of a background triangle (fig. 14). Press toward the Fabric 4 triangle and trim the dog-ears (fig. 15).

*Sew a Fabric 4 triangle to the other side of the background triangle (fig. 16). Press toward the Fabric 4 triangle and trim the dog-ears (fig. 17). Make four flying geese units (fig 18). They each should measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".



5. **Make HSTs.** Collect the four $2\frac{7}{8}$ " background squares and the remaining four Fabric 4 $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares. Cut each square in half once on the diagonal. Sew RST along the hypotenuse side of the triangles (the longest side)(fig.19). Press toward the Fabric 4 triangle. Make eight. Each should measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



fig. 19

6. **Assemble the block.** Follow the diagrams below to assemble the main block (fig. 20 and 21). Make sure the flying geese units and half-square triangles are in the correct positions. These seams will be bulky so press them open.

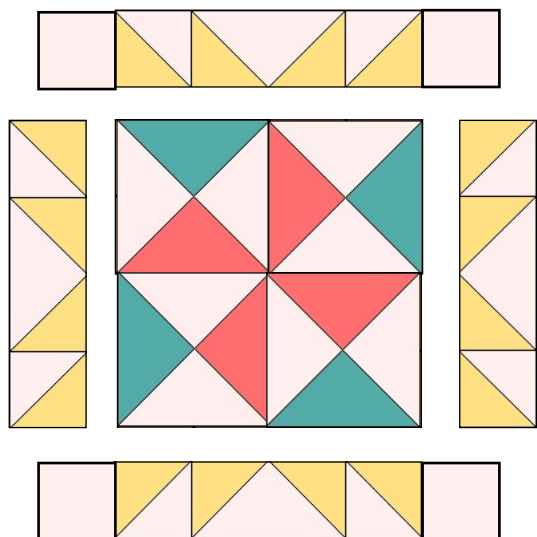


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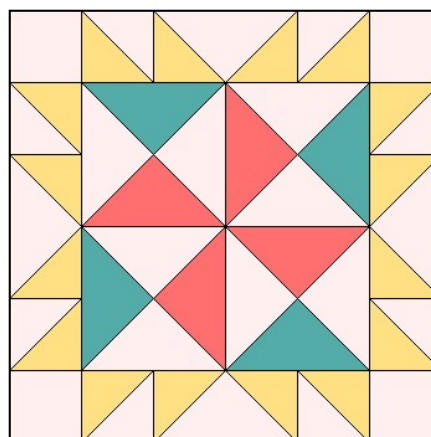


fig. 21

7. **Add the frame.** Follow the diagrams below to add frame strips to the block. Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to the sides of the block (fig. 22). Press toward the frame fabric. Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $14\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to the top and bottom (fig. 23). Press toward the frame fabric (fig. 24).

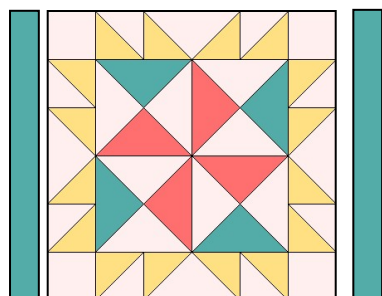


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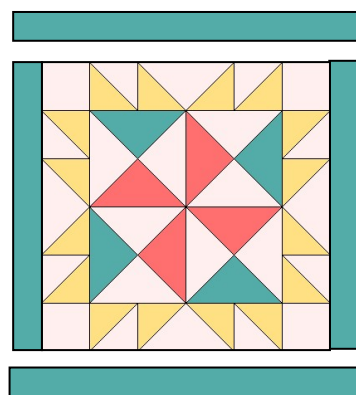


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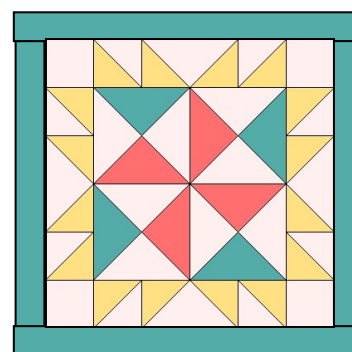


fig. 24

Don't stop now! Instructions for the filler blocks are on the next page.

8. **Make FG.** Note: colors are for technique only. These can be as scrappy as you wish!! Draw a diagonal line on the back of each of 14 scrappy $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares. (8) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Fabric 3 squares (fig. 25). 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. 26). Trim corner $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sewing line (fig. 27). Press toward the corner triangle (fig. 28). Place a Fabric 3 square RST on the opposite side of the rectangle. Sew on the drawn line (fig. 29). Trim corner $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sewing line (fig. 30). Press toward the corner triangle (fig. 31). Repeat to make seven scrappy flying geese units. Sew these flying geese together, then sew to the right side of the block (fig. 32).

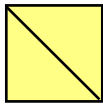


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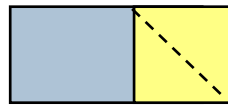


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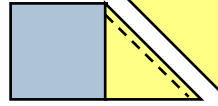


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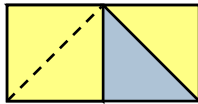


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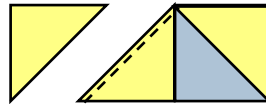


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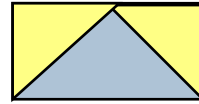


fig. 31

9. **Make checkerboard.** Sew the remaining nine scrappy $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares together, then sew to the bottom of the block. (fig. 33). You have just completed Block 5 of the Celebrate Sampler. If you are making the larger quilt, make two of Block 5.

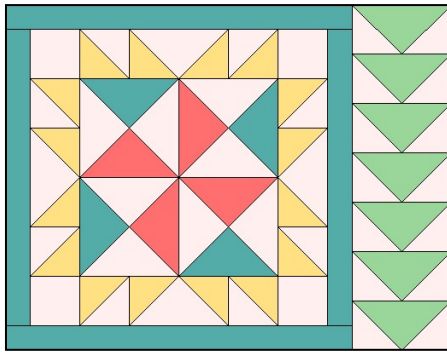


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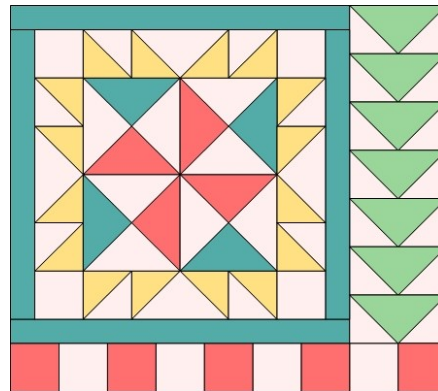


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