

Block of the Month for January 2019

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Here is how Block-of-the-Month works...

Complete up to five blocks. Return the completed block(s) to the Block-of-the-Month table at the designated month and, for each block you make, submit your name to the drawing held at the end of the meeting. Winner(s) takes home the blocks to use as you like.

Thank you to everyone who participated in November. Sharon Raustadt won all of the “Dutchman’s Puzzle” blocks. Congratulations!! The December block is a “Strippy Christmas”. For complete construction details, see the website.

Pour yourself some hot apple cider, hot chocolate, coffee, or tea and get to making January’s “Mug” block(s). You may make yours out of any color solids and prints you choose. Please use a good quality 100% cotton and a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ ” seam. The block will be $9\frac{1}{2}$ ” square unfinished.

Construction: The background is pieces A,B,C,D and the Mug is pieces E,F and G.

1. From the background fabric, cut two A’s – $9\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”; two B’s – $7\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”
two C’s – $2\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”; and one D – $3\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”.
2. From the mug fabric, cut two E’s – $1\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”; one F – $5\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ”; one G – $5\frac{1}{2}$ ” x $7\frac{1}{2}$ ”.
3. Use the diagram as a guide for positioning and then sewing...

With right sides together, sew the two E’s to D. Press the seams toward E.

Add F. Press the seam towards F.

Add the two C’s as shown. Press the seams towards the C’s.

Add G. Press the seam towards G.

Add the two B’s as shown. Press the seams, towards the B’s.

Add the two A’s as shown. Press the seams, towards the A’s.

4. The block is $9\frac{1}{2}$ ” square unfinished. Give the block a final press.

