

Hartland Quilters Block Swap

REQUIREMENTS:

Pattern:

Choose one of these Block Patterns and make 16 blocks.

Size:

Block will be 12-1/2" when it is swapped. It should be neatly trimmed, threads snipped, and pressed.

Fabric:

Use Christmas Colors but not the newer pale colors. You can mix solids, blenders, and/or small prints, and tone on tone, or Christmas Prints. (Royal Blues, Golds, Silvers, Greens, Reds, White, Tone on Tone, etc.).

Pre-washed fabric should be used for a swap block. It just kind of puts everyone on the same playing field when it comes to shrinkage and different brands of fabric.

Blocks will be turned in for Swap Coordinators to distribute by 8pm on Friday. Don't panic. The block patterns we have for you to choose from are all super simple. Blocks from each participant will be divided into stacks to swap.

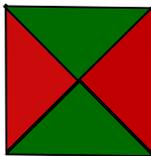
Blocks will be ready for participants by early am on Saturday morning. This gives ample time to sew the blocks together and make a throw/lap quilt top.

Reminder: a 12" Finished block in the quilt is the same as a 12-1/2" Unfinished Block. We want the block at 12-1/2" when it is swapped.

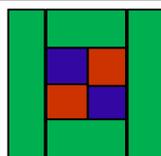
Here are some blocks to choose from.

(These are all super simple and cant actually be made on Friday evening after you get to retreat if you want. However, you can also bring them with you already completed.)

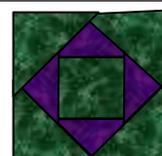
Hourglass



Bordered 4-Patch



Triple Squared



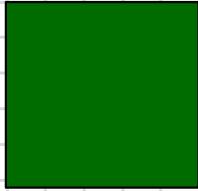
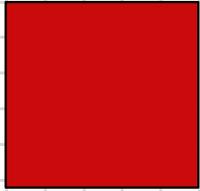
Please contact **Ruth Tisdale** and sign up to participate:

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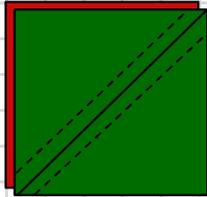
cell: **661-304-5448** (please leave a message if I don't answer)

This is my command: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³The greatest love a person can show is to die for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know what his master is doing. But I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I heard from my Father.

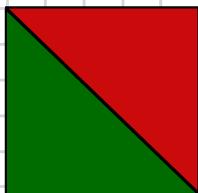
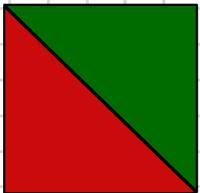
Simple Hour Glass Block



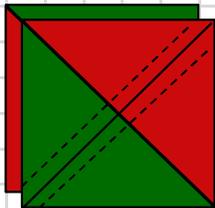
Cut 2 - 14" Squares of each color



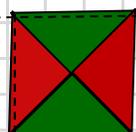
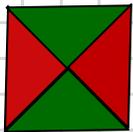
Place the squares right sides together and mark one diagonal line down the middle of the top square. Sew $1/4$ " on either side of the solid line. Press and then cut the block apart on the solid line. Open the block. Press to the dark side and trim dog ears.



You will now have 2 HSTs that are both colors.



Place the 2 HSTs Right Side together, matching the seams and having opposing colors together. Mark a diagonal line down the middle of the top block as shown in the picture. Sew $1/4$ " on either side of the solid line. Press and then cut the block apart on the solid line. Open the Block. Press to the Dark Side and trim dog ears.

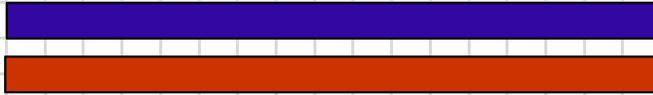


You end up with 2 Hourglass Units.

If you need to trim the block, do so on 2 sides to keep the seam in the middle. For example if the block is 13" and you need a $12-1/2$ " block then you will trim $1/4$ " off of each side that is marked with a dotted line.

Bordered 4-Patch

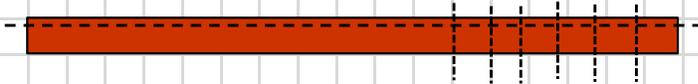
3-Color Block



Cut 1- 4-1/2" strip WOF for 2 colors.



Place the strips right sides together and sew down one side of the strip. Pres seam but **DO NOT OPEN.**

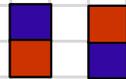


Square up one end of the strip. Cut across the closed strip in 4-1/2" segments.

Open the segments and press to the dark side.



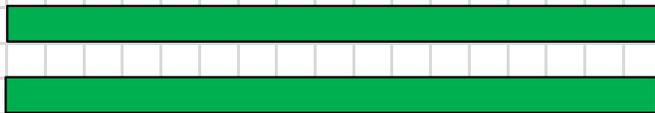
Each segment will look like one to the left. Each block will take 2 segments.



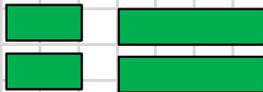
Take 2 of the segments and nestle the seams, right sides together so that the same color is on opposing sides. Sew them together. Open, Press and trim as needed.



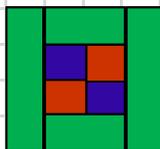
This should produce an 8-1/2" unit. (4-patch)



Take the 3rd color and cut 2- 2-1/2" strips WOF .



For each block sub cut 2- 8-1/2" pieces of of the 2-1/2" strip and 2- 12-1/2" pieces of the 2-1/2" strip.



Sew one 8-1/2" piece to the top of the block and sew one to the bottom like depicted in the picture to the left. Open and press seam towards the 4-Patch. Sew a 12-1/2" strip on the side of each unit. Open and press the seams away from the 4-patch. Trim as needed.

You can always cut the outside strips 1/4" wider so then you can square up to a perfect 12-1/2" block.

Triple Squared

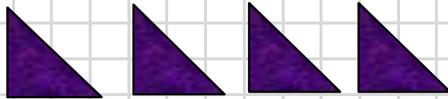
3- color block or an alternating 2 color block



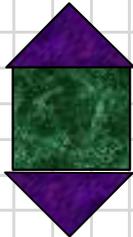
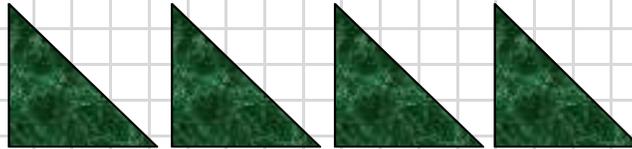
Cut 1- 5" sq. for center block



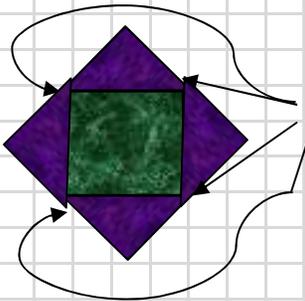
Cut 2 - 4-3/4" squares and cut both in half once diagonally



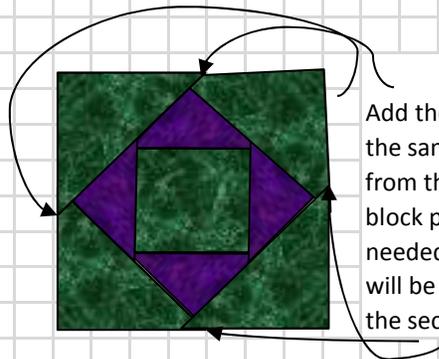
Cut 2 - 7" squares and cut each one in half diagonally



Sew one of the halves from the 4-3/4" block on the top and on the bottom of the center square. Open and Press away from center square. DO NOT trim the little bit that is hanging over at the corners.



Add the other 2 halves from the 4-3/4" square. Open and press the seam away from the square. At this point measure 1/4" away from each of the middle squares points and trim to 1/4". Look at where the arrow is pointing.



Add the halves from the 2- 7" squares in the same manner as you did the halves from the step above. Once you have your block pressed trim it to 12-1/2" square if needed. Be careful to leave the 1/4" that will be your seam line from the points of the second block.