

MONTEREY PENINSULA QUILTER'S GUILD

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

June, 2006



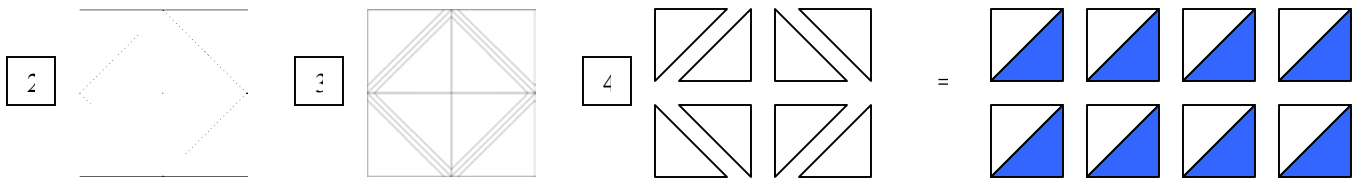
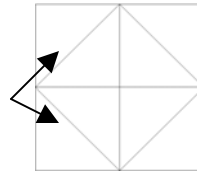
“Weathervane” is our block for June. This is a dynamic block because by changing the placement of colors the block can look entirely different. All of the piecing is the same as what we have done in the past, so there are no surprises here. For uniformity, use white fabric for the background. Then you can choose your dark and medium colors (I’ve used blue for my dark and yellow for my medium.) This makes a 12” finished block. All seam allowances are 1/4”.

Here’s what you need:

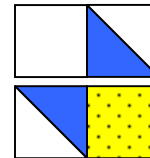
- Color #1 (White) four 2-1/2” squares and one 6” square
- Color #2 (Dark) eight 2-1/2” squares, one 4-1/2” square and one 6” square
- Color #3 (Medium) four 2-1/2” squares and four 4-1/2” squares

Assembly:

1. Place the Color #1 and Color #2 6” squares right sides together.
2. On the back of the white fabric, draw lines down the center, horizontally and vertically so that the square is divided into 4 equal parts. Then draw diagonal lines like I have here.
3. Now stitch 1/4” away from both sides of the diagonal lines
4. Cut along your drawn lines to make 8 half-square triangles. Trim to 2-1/2” square.

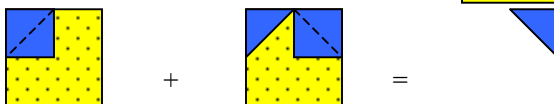


5. Complete the corner sections by sewing one 2-1/2” white square and one of the half square triangles right sides together and then one of the half square triangles and one of the medium color 2-1/2” squares together. Press to the solid squares. Make a 4-patch following the diagram of the completed block for placement.



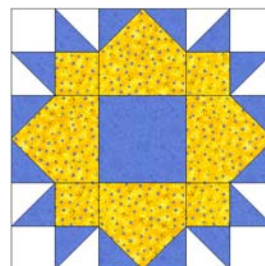
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6. Next, place a 2-1/2” dark-colored square, right sides together, on a corner of the 4-1/2” medium square. Mark a diagonal line on the back of the small square and sew along that line. Trim seam allowance and press remaining allowance to outside. Press corner carefully to avoid stretching. Do this on two corners of each of the medium squares.



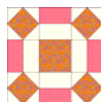
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7. Piece the block into rows then sew the rows together. Alternate pressing directions by row. Refer to drawing for placement of units.



The Weathervane is for our June 5th meeting.

The Broken Wheel is our block for our **May 1st** meeting.



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