

Depression era Beggar's Block

Measurements for 6" X 6" finished block as the Black, white and red example

Cut 1 @ 1-3/16" x 40" - subcut 16 @ 2-1/2" x 1-3/16" (White in the small example)

Cut 1 @ 1-1/8" x 20" - subcut 8 @ 2-1/2" x 1-1/8" (Red in the example)

Cut 1 @ 1-3/16 x 38" - subcut 32 @ 1-3/16 x 1-3/16 (Black in the example)

Center block is 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"

Instructions are the same as they are for the larger block.

Caution: When joining units be very careful to line up the corners. This would be a good time to match and pin the corners carefully.

Paper pieced pattern for 6-1/2" x 6-1/2" rough or 6" x 6" finished size.

4A ----- Cut 1 @ 1-1/2" x 24", subcut 8 @ 1-1/2" x 3".

1A and 1B ----- Cut 1 @ 1-1/2" x WOF plus 1-1/2" x 9", subcut 16 @ 1-1/2" x 3".

2A, 3A, 2B, 3B --- Cut 1 @ 2" X 32", subcut 16 @ 2" x 2", subcut on diagonal to create 32 HST.

Center block is 2-1/2" x 2-1/2".

1A and B can be trimmed carefully to the correct shape once tacked onto the paper pattern or a simple template can be made to pre-cut those pieces. HST are a little large so that placement is less of an issue.

Copy pattern below eight times. I did my copies by hand and found that my minor misalignments became problems. Copy machines are more accurate. Make sure to **turn off the Fit to Page**.

If you are new to Paper piecing, google beginner paper piecing. Crafty Gemini has a good youtube. I like to use tracing paper because it can be run through the copier, it tears easily and it is quite transparent. Help needed? Give me a call or email or meet me at 6:30, Monday on ZOOM.

I hope I copied all of the measurements correctly as I was working out the pattern.

