

Block of the Mystery PART B

Welcome back to the Block of the Month combination Mystery quilt! If you would like to ONLY complete the BOM, feel free to just complete the block and stop there. If you would like to participate in the mystery, complete the block and continue on to the Mystery section below it.

I would encourage you to grab random yardage, fat quarters, scraps and LOTS of 2 ½" strips for this project. The more colors the better! If you love each fabric, you will love the quilt.

Please note: You can use any colors you want for this block. I would recommend writing your substitution down though or you might get lost in the directions.

Part B is comprised of ONE 12-inch block, 2.5 inch strips and 7 strip-pieced squares.

Cutting Instructions:

- Dk. Blue
 - 1 – 2" square
- Lt. Green
 - 3 – 2" squares
 - 3 – 3 ½" squares
 - 4 – 3 ¾" x 7 ¼" rectangles
 - These need to be subcut into opposing units. You should have 2 cut left to right and 2 cut right to left.



- Pink
 - 2 – 3 ¾" x 7 ¼" rectangles
 - These need to be subcut in the same manner as the Lt. Green rectangles. You should have 1 cut left to right and 1 cut right to left.
 - 1 – 6 ½" square
- Dk. Green
 - 2 – 3 ¾" x 7 ¼" rectangles
 - These need to be subcut in the same manner as the Lt. Green rectangles. You should have 1 cut left to right and 1 cut right to left.

Sewing Instructions:

1. Sew the 2" squares together as shown.



2. The angled pieces. This is the paying attention part.
 - a. You need to end up with 2 sets Dk. Green and Lt. Green and 2 sets Lt. Green and Pink.



NOTE: You will have left over angle pieces when you're done. Throw them in with your strip-piecing scraps!!

- b. To get them to look like rectangles when you're done, you need to offset the triangles by about a $\frac{1}{4}$ " before you sew them. You can see a couple pins indicating this below.



3. Now you can lay out your block! Again, sew into 3 rows of 3.



TIP: You can cut off the dog ears when you're done sewing. We won't need them anymore.

4. Sew the 3 rows together and you should have a ridiculously Barbie pink tulip block!



If you are only doing the Block of the Month, you are DONE! Hooray! If you're ready to bring on the pain, continue below for mystery goodness.

For the MYSTERY Part B,

Cutting Directions:

- From 2 ½ inch strips:
 - 4 – 22.5"
 - 3 – 16.5"

Put these 2 ½ inch strips away! Don't use them for the next part.

If you completed all of the squares needed for the quilt already, you don't need to do the next step.

Place all of your cut 2.5" strips, 7 pieced squares and the block in a bag marked Part B.

7 – 4.5" squares from newsprint, phone book paper or similar.

- Fabric scraps wider than ¾".
- You can cut yardage, fat quarters or larger scraps into ¾, 1, 1 ½ and 2 inch pieces. Just make sure to vary the widths so your squares look super scrappy. 😊
- When I'm squaring off the fabrics I'm using for my quilt blocks, I cut a little wider strip off than usual so I can use it for my strip blocks.



If you do not wish to piece your squares, you can simply cut 31 random colored 4.5" squares.

Piecing Directions for squares:

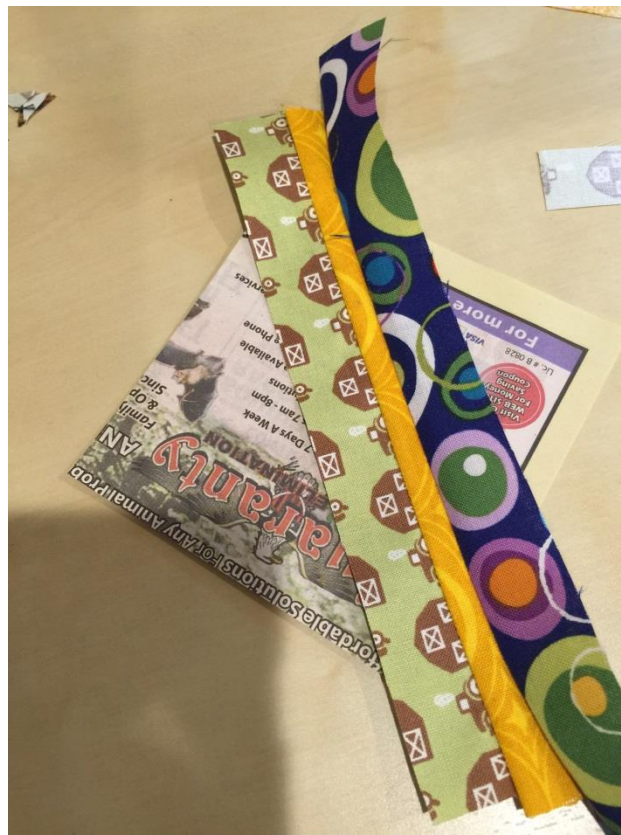
You may choose to do more than the 7 pieces needed for this part. In total, you will need 31 of these strip pieced squares.

Using scraps of fabric, cover the pieces of paper with diagonal strips. Start with one strip face up in the middle of the paper. Make sure it's long enough to hang over the edges.



Add another placed on top right sides together. Sew.

Finger press and select another strip.



Continue sewing and flipping...

Until your entire paper is covered with fabric!



You shouldn't see any paper from the front and the back side should look like this. Totally surrounded with bits!



Now we trim it back down to 4.5 inches!



And then do it again!



Place all of your cut 2.5" strips, 7 strip pieced 4.5" squares and the block in a bag marked Part B. Place the remaining squares in a "Mystery" bag. Remember to put it someplace "safe" so you'll never see it again. I mean, so you'll be able to find it again.