

Block of the Mystery PART D

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.

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 D is comprised of one 24-inch block, 2.5 inch strips and 9 strip-pieced squares.

Cutting Instructions:

- Blue
 - 4 – 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - Subcut once on the diagonal to make 8 triangles.



- Orange
 - 3 – 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - Subcut once on the diagonal to make 6 triangles.
 - 2 – 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares
 - Subcut twice on the diagonal to make 8 triangles.



- Purple
 - 3 – 6 $\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - Subcut once on the diagonal to make 6 triangles.
 - 2 – 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares
 - Subcut twice on the diagonal to make 8 triangles.
 - 1 – 9" square

Sewing Instructions:

1. Take 8 sets of the smaller orange and purple triangles (they started life as the 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares) and sew them together on the short edge. Remember to keep the purple on the correct side. Press to the dark.



2. Add a blue triangle to the long edge of **ONLY SIX** units. Press to the blue.



3. Sew the larger purple and orange triangles together.



4. The center is next. You should have 2 purple-orange units left from step 1. Grab those and sew them to opposite edges of the 9" purple square. Press to the center square.



TIP: You can iron your center square in half and use the crease to line your triangle up on the edge. (example in next step.)

5. Add the last 2 blue triangles to the other sides of the center square. Cut off dog ears and press to the blue.



6. We're going to finish the center portion of the block. Take 2 orange-purple triangle units and 2 blue triangle units and sew them into pairs. Be mindful of the direction you are sewing them together.



7. The top and bottom rows should be laid out as below and sewn into rows.



8. Attach the top and bottom to the middle then stand back and admire your work.



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 D,

Cutting Directions:

- From 2 ½ inch strips:
 - 5 – 28.5"
 - 3 – 24.5"
 - 2 – 22.5"
 - 2 – 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, 9 strip pieced 4.5" squares and the block in a bag marked Part D. Remember to put it someplace "safe" so you'll never see it again. I mean, so you'll be able to find it again.

9 – 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.

Piecing directions for the squares can be found in part A and B of the Mystery directions.

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