

San Joaquin Valley Quilters' Guild March for April Block of the Month - April Flowers

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Gold Flower Center: A - cut 1 - 3½" square

White Background: B - cut 4 - 3½" squares

C - cut 4 - 4" squares

D - cut 8 - 3" squares

Light Petal fabric of choice: E - cut 2 - 7" squares

Dark Petal fabric of choice: F - cut 2 - 7" squares

Use two shades or coordinating colors

Green Leaf: G - cut 4 - 4" squares



SEWING AND ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

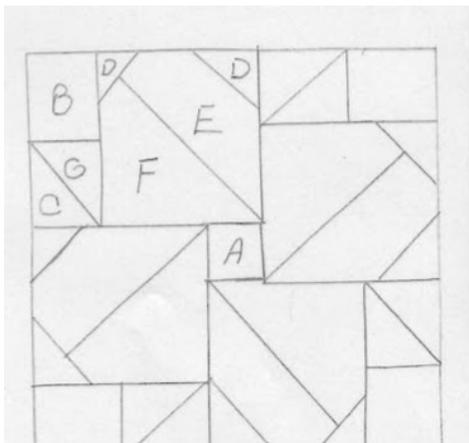
1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the light E squares. Place right sides together (RST) with the dark F squares. Sew a scant ¼" from the diagonal line on both sides. Cut on the drawn line and press towards the dark. Trim down to a 6" square. You will have 4 of these pieces.

2. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 8 white fabric D squares. Orienting the light petal on the right, place a D square in the top 2 corners as shown in the diagram below. Sew on the line, trim the seam allowances and press open.

3. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the white fabric C squares. Place RST with the 4 green G squares. Sew on the line, trim the seam allowances and press towards the green. Trim these 4 pieces to a 3½" square.

4. Sew the units from step 3 to the white 3½" B squares. Press seams open.

5. Sew the units from step 4 to the dark side of the petal units, as per diagram. Press towards the petal. Make 4 of these units.



6. Sew one unit from step 5 to the gold A square starting where the units meet and sew towards the center of the petal. Stop ¼" from the end of the center square and back stitch 3 stitches. Press toward the petal (away from the center). This is a y-seam. (instructions continue on page 2)

Sew the next unit along the long edge. This way we will only have only one y-seam. Continue around the center square, attaching the next unit and pressing towards the petal. Sew the last unit to the flower stopping $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the end. Lay the flower flat and fold the first petal over the last petal and sew the y-seam. Press. Block size is 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ -15". **Please don't trim excess fabric around your block.** We will do that when we prepare them for sashing.



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