


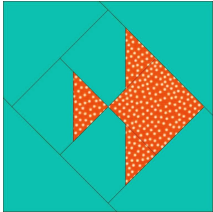


# Farmington Valley Quilt Guild

## Friendship Blocks

### 2023-2024

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| Squiggles   | Due at October 2023 Meeting |    |
| Old Italian | Due at January 2024 meeting |   |
| Violet      | Due at March 2024 Meeting   |  |
| Gold Fish   | Due at May 2024 Meeting     |  |

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# Squiggles Block

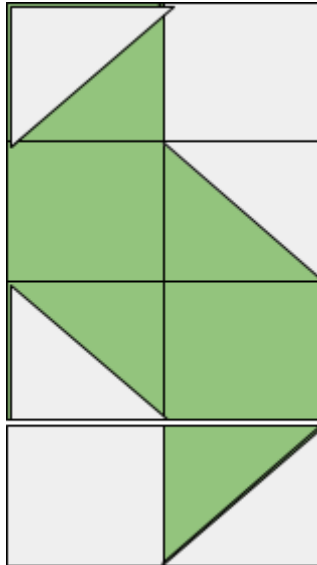
# Due October 2023

(from the Rainbow Scraps Challenge 2022)

From <https://superscrappy.blogspot.com/>

Unfinished: 8 1/2" X 4 1/2"

Background: Low volume  
Squiggle: One color way  
(scrappy)

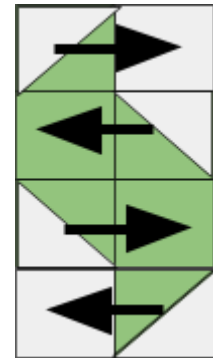


Background:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| 2 | 2 1/2 squares  |
| 2 | 3" squares cut on diagonal<br><br>**make the Half square triangle units in your own way if desired** |

Color Fabric (scrappy but reads as one color scheme)

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 2 | 2 1/2 squares   |
| 2 | 3" squares cut on diagonal<br><br>**make the Half square triangle units in your own way if desired* |



Sew together one background triangle and one color triangle.

Press to color

Trim to 2 1/2 square.

Sew fabrics together as shown in diagram above

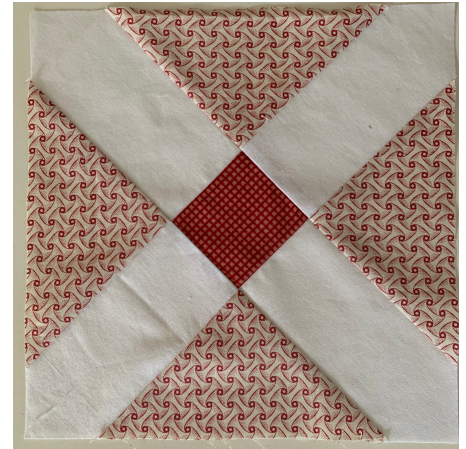
Press according to the arrows (press towards the solid square)

# Old Italian Block

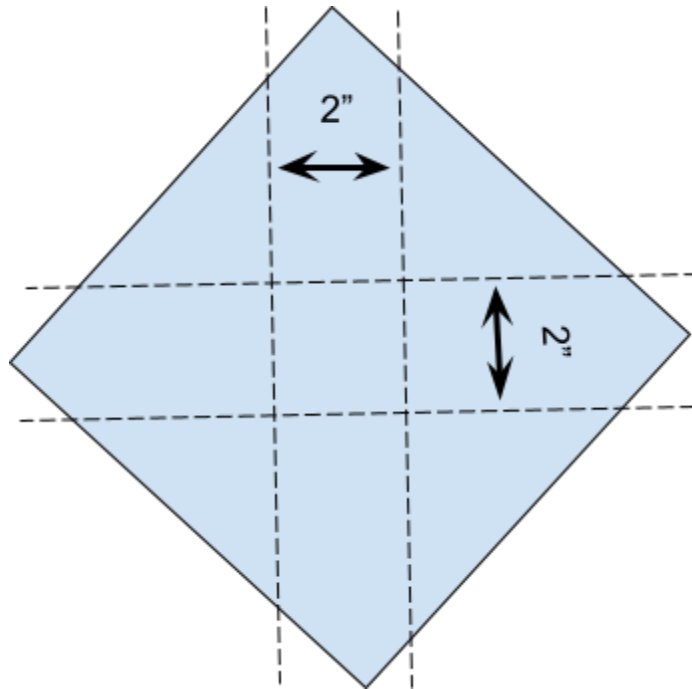
Due at January 2024 meeting

Unfinished Size 7"

Pick two 8 ½" blocks, a light (white, cream) and a dark, the fabric should be high contrast so you don't lose the "X".



Layer blocks together, right sides up. Cut 2" wide strips through both diagonal lines of the blocks,



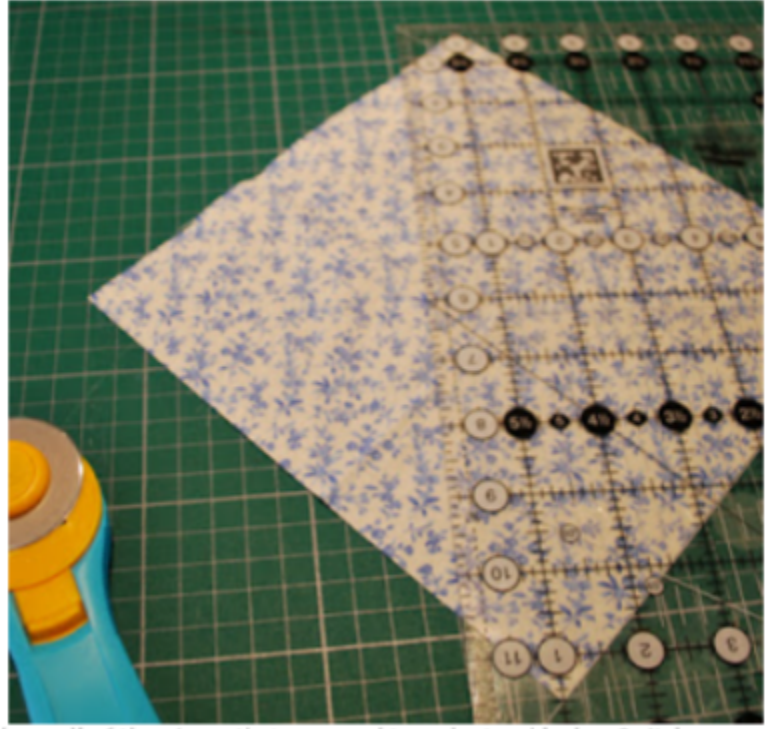
### Cutting Tip:

Measure 1" on either side of the line that runs from corner to corner.

Below is a picture of how to lay your ruler to get the first cut -

the 1" line runs through the block from point to point.

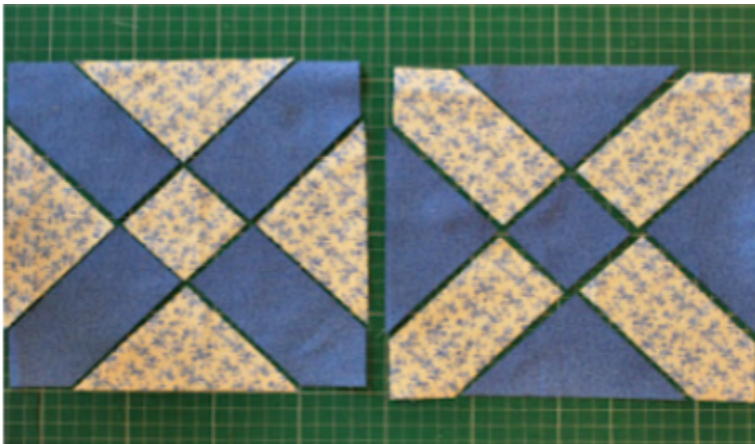
For the second cut just flip the ruler around and cut 1 away from the center line of the block, or 2 from the first cut. Repeat this cutting sequence across the second diagonal.



With only four cuts you have all of the pieces that you need to make two blocks.

Switch corner strips, triangles and center square stay where they are.

Sew together, press toward dark fabric. Trim to 7"



# Violet Flowers Due at March 2024 Meeting

Colors:

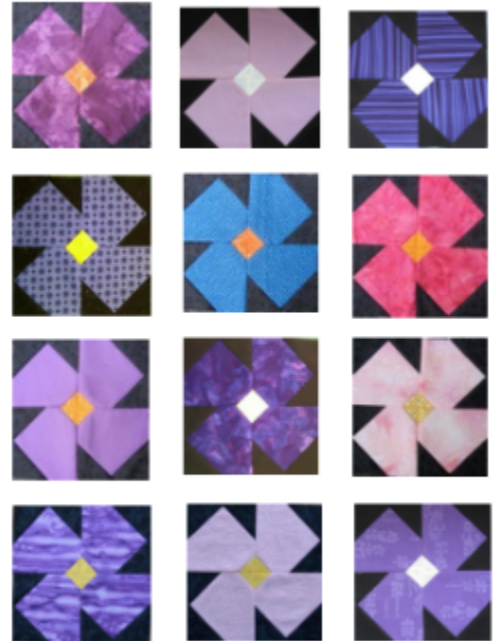
Flower: Purples, blues, pinks, magenta, etc

Background: Black (tone on tone, print, solid, reads black from distance)

Center: Yellow

## Cutting Chart

|        |           |        |
|--------|-----------|--------|
| Flower | 4 squares | 3 1/2" |
| Black  | 8 squares | 2"     |
| Yellow | 4 squares | 1 1/4" |



First Corner:

Add BACKGROUND fabric to FLOWER fabrics, right sides together aligning the top left corner.

Draw a line across the diagonal of the BACKGROUND square.

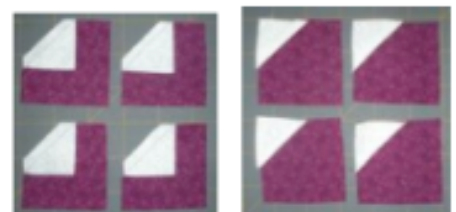
Sew on the line.



Finish the First Corner:

Trim, leaving 1/4 inch on the outside of the line/seam.

Press the seam toward the darker fabric.



## Second Corner

Add the remaining BACKGROUND squares to a corner

adjacent to the first in the same fashion; right sides

together, aligning the top right corner, draw, and then sew on the line across the diagonal of the BACKGROUND square.

Trim, leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on the outside of the line/seam.

Press the seam toward the darker fabric.

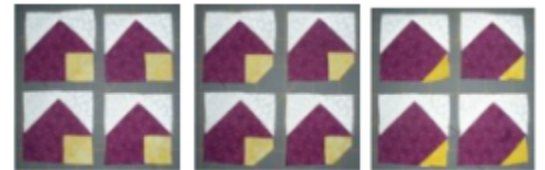


## Add Centers:

With the units oriented like little houses (with point facing up), add the center squares to the lower right corner of with the lower right

corners aligned, draw then sew across the diagonal of the CENTER square.

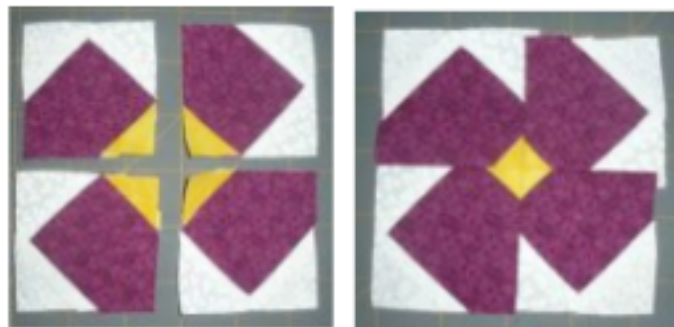
Trim, leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on the outside of the line/seam. Press. Assembly will be easiest if you press 2 seams toward the CENTER and 2 towards the FLOWER fabric.



## Assemble the Block:

Lay out the completed petal units as a 4-patch with the CENTER fabrics meeting in the center, alternating them based on the direction you pressed the last seam.

Sew the 4-patch together.



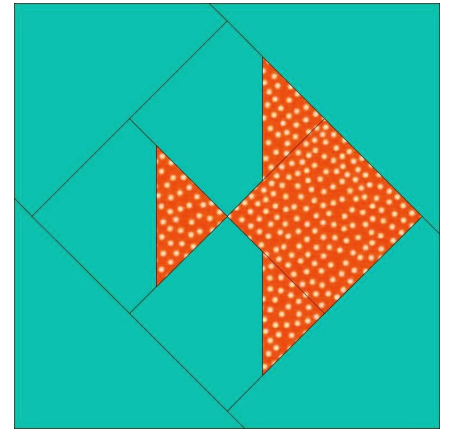
# Gold Fish Crackers

From <http://emeraldcoastmodernquiltguild.blogspot.com/>

Unfinished 12 1/2"

Background: Teal, Turquoise, Aqua

Fish: Orange (any orange, print, solid, etc)



## Fabric Requirements



2 - 8" by 8" squares  
Cut diagonally once



3 - 4 1/2" by 4 1/2" squares



1 - 4 1/2" by 4 1/2" square



1 - 3 1/2" by 3 1/2" square



2 - 2 1/2" by 2 1/2" squares



Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 3 1/2" by 3 1/2" square and the two 2 1/2" by 2 1/2" squares.



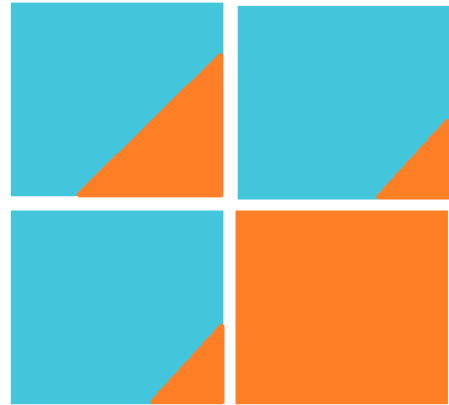
This will be our sewing line.



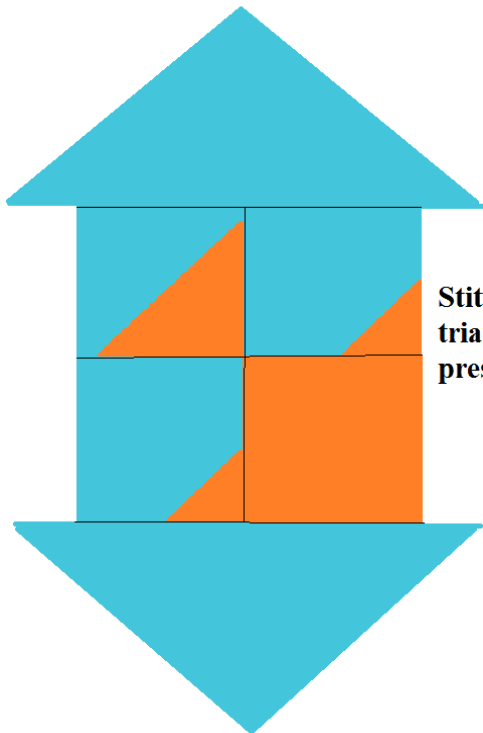
**Place the 3 1/2" orange square with right sides together lining up two sides and stitch on the line, trim and press towards the turquoise.**



**Place the 2 1/2" orange squares with right sides together lining up two sides and stitch on the line, trim and press towards the turquoise.**



**Lay out the units in this order and sew together.**



**Stitch the half square triangles on two sides and press towards the HST**

**Repeat with other HST  
Trim to 12.5" square**



