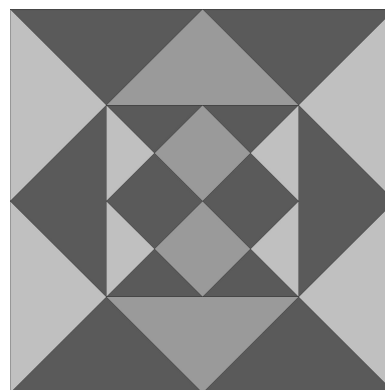


Month 9: Cock's Comb (provided August 2017; share September 2017)

Cock's Comb is a four-patch in a square, in a square, in a square. This block should give you plenty of practice on this type of piecing. As shown, this block uses 3 fabrics: Fabric 3, Fabric 4 and Fabric 5.



Fabric needed: Cut the listed pieces for each fabric.

	3" blocks on-point	9" block	9" blocks on-point
Fabric 3	2 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 2 - 3" x 3" squares	1 - 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" square 1 - 6" x 6" square	2 - 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" squares 2 - 6" x 6" squares
Fabric 4	4 - 1" x 1" squares 1 - 3" x 3" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles)	2 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 1 - 6" x 6" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles - only need 2)	4 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 1 - 6" x 6" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles)
Fabric 5	4 - 1" x 1" squares 2 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 2 - 3" x 3" squares 1 - 3" x 3" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles)	2 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 1 - 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" square 1 - 6" x 6" square 1 - 6" x 6" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles, only need 2)	4 - 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" squares 2 - 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" squares 2 - 6" x 6" squares 1 - 6" x 6" square (cut twice on the diagonal for 4 triangles)

Piecing Instructions for 9" blocks (3")

Note: Watch carefully as you stitch. Over-sized pieces are used so be sure to check your block and trim as needed during construction.

1. Stitch the Fabric 4 and Fabric 5, 2-1/4" x 2-1/4" (1" x 1") squares into four-patch units and trim to 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" (1-1/2" x 1-1/2"), centering the seams. Press and furl the seams.
2. Make HSTs using the Fabric 3 and Fabric 5, 3-3/4" x 3-3/4" (2-1/4" x 2-1/4") squares. Do NOT trim the HSTs.
 - a) Draw a diagonal line on the back of each Fabric 3 square.
 - b) Layer a Fabric 5 and Fabric 3 square together.
 - c) Stitch a 1/4" seams on either side of the drawn line.
 - d) Cut along the drawn line.
 - e) Press the seam toward the darker fabric.
3. Make HSTs using the Fabric 3 and Fabric 5, 6" x 6" (3" x 3") squares. Do NOT trim the HSTs.
 - a) Draw a diagonal line on the back of each Fabric 3 square.
 - b) Layer a Fabric 5 and Fabric 3 square together.

- c) Stitch a 1/4" seams on either side of the drawn line.
 - d) Cut along the drawn line.
 - e) Press the seam toward the darker fabric.
4. Cut all of the HSTs made in Steps 2 & 3 in half. Keep matching halves together.
 5. Center the smaller half HSTs on the sides of the 4 patch made in Step 1. Line up the Fabric 3 triangles with the Fabric 5 squares. Sew the half HSTs on opposite sides. Press the seams toward the added half HSTs. Stitch on the remaining two small half HSTs. Trim the resulting square to 5" x 5" (2" x 2").
 6. Stitch Fabric 5 triangles on the sides with the Fabric 3 triangles. Press the seams toward the added triangles.
 7. Stitch Fabric 4 triangles on the remaining two sides that have Fabric 5 triangles. Press the seams toward the added triangles.
 8. Trim the block to 6-7/8" x 6-7/8" (2-5/8" x 2-5/8"). Be sure to center the four patch.
 9. Line up the remaining half HSTs with the Fabric 5 triangles next to the Fabric 4 triangles. Sew the half HSTs on opposite sides. Press the seams toward the added triangles. Stitch on the remaining two half HSTs. Trim the resulting square to 9-1/2" x 9-1/2" (3-1/2" x 3-1/2").