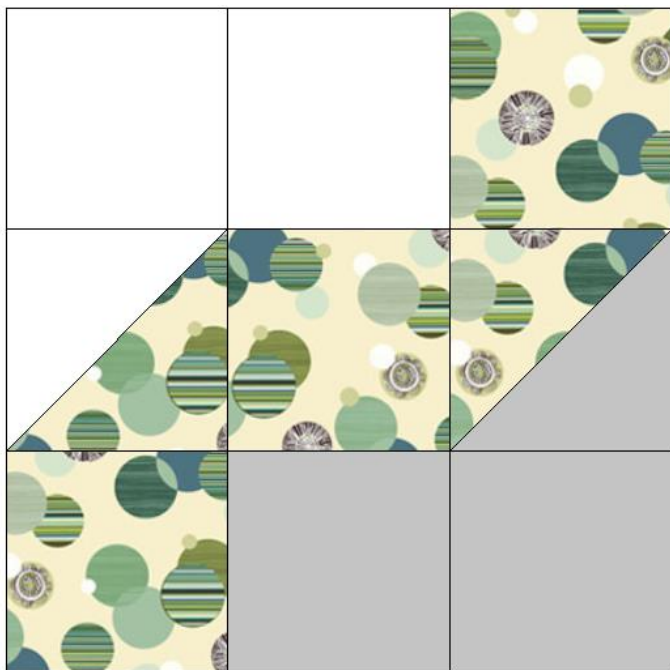


# Attic Window

12 inches finished (12½ end to end)



The first block in our quilt this year is a simple nine-patch. Electric Quilt calls it Attic Window. It does vaguely look a bit like a quarter of the Attic Window from Nancy Cabot in 1935, this one is a lot simpler.

We are going to use it to make sure everyone is sewing a quarter inch seam. This year, for the guild our background is going to be a very modern plain light gray, and we'll try to use some very modern fabrics.

The 'modern quilt aesthetic' tends to have clean, geometric lines, use of plain fabrics, plenty of negative space for quilting, and no complicated blocks - or no discernible blocks at all!

## Cutting:

### Light grey solid

2 - 4½ inch squares

1 - 4½ inch half-square triangle. If you have an Easy Angle or Half square triangle ruler, cut it from your 4½ inch strip, otherwise cut one 5 inch square.

### White Solid (if you have white on white - use the back of the fabric please)

2 - 4½ inch squares

1 - 4½ inch half-square triangle. If you have an Easy Angle or Half square triangle ruler, cut it from your 4½ inch strip, otherwise cut one 5 inch square.

### Modern Geometric Print with light green in it.

3 - 4½ inch squares

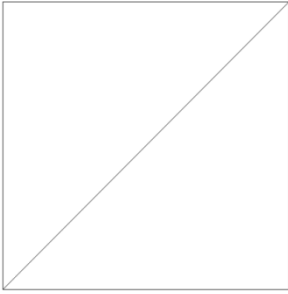
2 - 4½ inch half-square triangles. If you have an Easy Angle or Half square triangle ruler, cut 2 from your 4½ inch strip, otherwise cut two 5 inch squares.

Since someone will be winning all the squares, it is important not only to have a consistent seam, but to have a ¼ inch seam. The best way to check your seam is to sew the two white squares together. If they have been accurately cut and sewn, they should measure 8½ inches. If they don't, check your seam allowance!

If you cut quarter square triangles with a triangle ruler - make two squares, one with white and print, one with grey and the print.



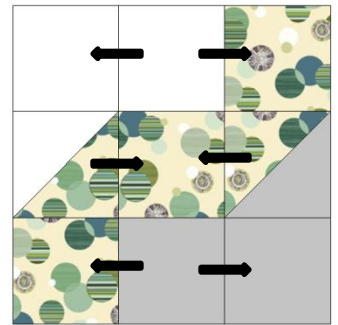
To make the triangle blocks without a triangle ruler. Mark the diagonal on the white and grey 5 inch squares.



Layer a white square with a print square, right sides together, and sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the drawn line. Cut on the line and you will have two half square triangle blocks. Press the seam to the print side, and square the block up to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Note, if your square is too small - your seam was too big!

This method gives you two blocks - put one in your orphan block pile and use the other for the guild block!

Lay your blocks as they are shown in the diagram at the top of the page, and sew the rows together. Press the seams on the top and bottom row to the outside, and the middle row to the centre. Then when you sew the rows together, the seams will lock in place and make matching a whole lot easier.



When sewn together, your block should measure  $12\frac{1}{2}$  inches top to bottom, and side to side.

If you are making the whole BOM quilt - you will need two blocks. Look at the picture of the quilt - one must be the reverse of the other.

If you aren't going to make the BOM quilt- here are some other suggestions for this block.

