

# Bachelor's Puzzle

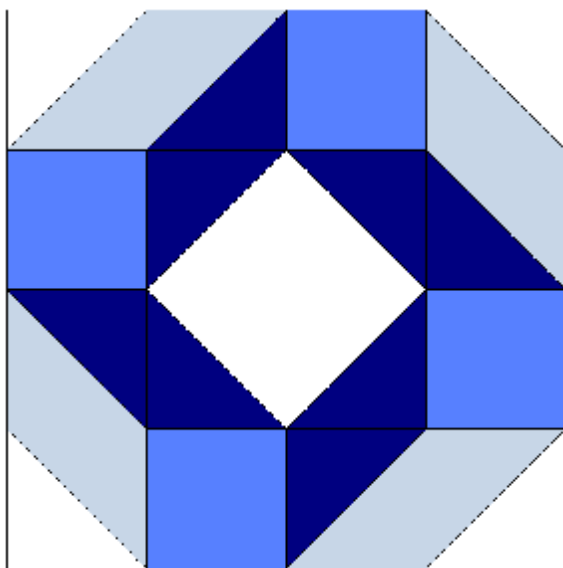
12 inches finished (12 ½ inch edge to edge)

This is the first instalment of our story quilt! There are 10 blocks in the series that will be available at the BMQG meetings. In addition, we have included a couple of filler blocks in our finished quilt, and there are two bonus blocks if you want to put the blocks into the same quilt that we have done. Remember that all blocks have multiple names, so you could create your own story and make your own quilt – you may want to change the colours, even some blocks to tell your own story. Whatever you decide – just have fun!

On with our story....

This is the story of two fine young people, and their rocky road to happiness.

Our bachelor Roger Finley MacGregor (known as Fin), has a choice to make, does he walk away, try to keep everything as it is (and have Ophelia walk away), move in together, or pop the question! What will the decision be...



## Cutting

Dark Blue – 8 - 3 ½ inch squares

Medium Blue – 4 - 3 ½ inch squares

Light Blue – 4 - 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches

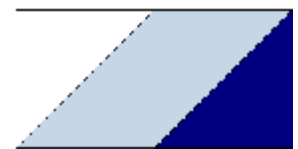
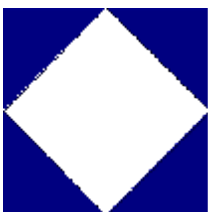
Background – 6 ½ inch square

-- 4 - 3 ½ inch squares

Use very true blue colours – a real saturated blue for the medium, a shade of the same blue (Royal maybe) and a tint of the same colour (baby blue?) Don't worry – there are no inset seams in this block, but make sure that the dark blue isn't a pattern that will show the seam.

Apply four dark blue connector corners to the large background square. For the directions for connector corners, see the next page. The centre will measure 6 ½ inches at this point.

Apply the other four dark connectors to the lower right side of the light blue rectangles. Add the background connectors to the upper left corners. Make sure that the four pieces all look like this, and measure 3 ½ inches by 6 ½ inches.



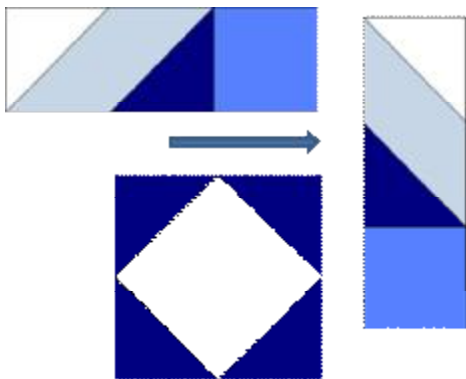
Add the medium blue squares to the rectangles:

(3 1/2 by 9 1/2 inches now)



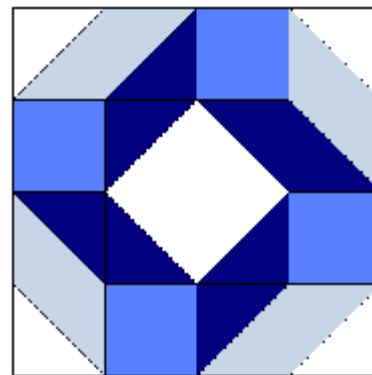
Now comes the trickiest bit of the whole block – a partial seam!

Place two of the sections around the centre block. Now sew the top section from about half way through the dark blue triangle to the end of the seam



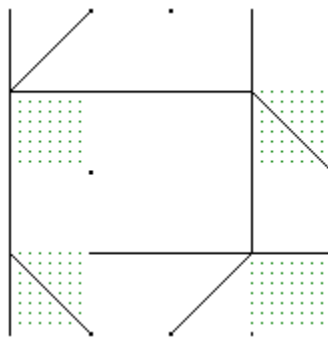
Next add the right hand triangle, then the bottom, and the left.

Finally -= go back and finish off that first seam



Simple, wasn't it!

Now that you have made one for the guild – colour one in your own colours to start your own story quilt



### Connector corners:

A connector corner uses a square to create the perfect triangle corner. Put the square face down on the larger rectangle or square, matching the outer right angle. Sew across the small square, corner to corner (you can premark the square with a pencil if need be). Now, cut away the part of the square that is next to the corner, press the triangle into the corner – and square up the piece to the original dimensions. Leaving the original square or rectangle in place will make your finished square much more stable.

