

BMQG BLOCK OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2016 - LIGHT AND DARK



COLOURS : -scraps of 6 blue, purple or green dark toned fabrics
-scraps of 6 very light fabrics, white, off-white or soft shades of blue, green or purple

CUTTING: From each of 3 of the dark fabrics, cut one 3.5" square
From each of the other 3 dark fabrics, cut one 3.75" square

Repeat the same cuts for the 6 very light fabrics

This block's dimensions are 9.5" square to finish at 9" square.

METHOD:

Make 3 half square triangles:

Place one of the 3 dark 3.75" squares right sides together with one of the 3 light 3.75" squares.

Draw a line diagonally from one corner to the other. Sew a seam along the penciled line.

Cut 1/4" from the seam on one side. Save the unsewn triangles for another use.

Iron the sewn square open with the seams to the dark side.

Trim these squares to 3.5" square.

Repeat for the other two half square triangles.

Lay the block out as in the example above with the three half square triangles arranged diagonally. The dark single-coloured squares are placed on the dark side of the half square triangles. The light single-coloured squares are placed on the light side of the half square triangles.

Sew horizontal rows of 3 squares.

Sew these units together, matching the seams especially where the half square triangles meet.

Iron the seams to one side.

These finished blocks can be arranged in many ways for different effects.

