

Blotto Block - November 2019 – February 2020

Blotto Drawing - Wednesday 5th, February, 2020

Block: Fun with Rectangles

*****Please make sure your block meets the size and color requirements to qualify for the drawing!!!**

Block Size: 12 ½" x 12 ½"

Guild fabric: Cut four - 3 ½" x 7 ¼" strip from black fabric

Remember: There is a color photo of the current Blotto block on the HSQG website under the Blotto tab.

Your fabric: Cut four - 3 ½" x 7 ¼" strip from four different bright prints

******* NOTE: Sew all seams a scant 1/4" *******

1. Set four black rectangles, in a stack, vertically on cutting mat, face up; do the same with the four colored rectangles (See Figure A). Place a small mark on the left edge 2" up from the bottom. Place a small mark on the right edge 2" down from the top. Mark both stacks of rectangles. Connect the small marks with a diagonal line (See Figure B). Cut on this diagonal through all four pieces (See Figure C). Switch the bottom left black fabric with the bottom right colored fabric (See Figure D).



Figure A

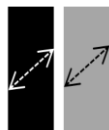


Figure B



Figure C

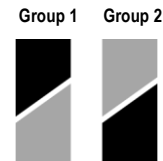


Figure D

2. Take one colored piece and one black piece from Group 1. *With right sides together, line up the pieces so that the top point of the colored piece is ¼" beyond the black underneath (the pieces will be perpendicular to each other). If done properly the two pieces will form a "V" at the sewing line. On the opposite end there will be a "V" with the black point extending ¼" beyond the colored piece. Carefully sew on this bias edge a scant ¼" seam. Repeat with the other 3 sets in Group 1. Press seam towards the black. The resulting unit should be 3.5" x 6.5", trim if needed. (Option: On the back of the color pieces, **carefully** mark a scant ¼" sewing seam on the diagonal edge).
3. Repeat from * with Group 2 fabrics.
4. Sew the above completed units together in pairs using different color ways. The black will be in the upper left corner and the lower right corner (See Figure E). Press seams to one side. You will have four 6.5" x 6.5" completed units.



Figure E

5. Arrange the four units so that a different color corner from each is in center (See Figure F). Sew the top two together, then the bottom two together. Press on seam to the left and one to the right. Match the center seams and sew the top and bottom together (seam: scant ¼"). Press seam to one side.

Your completed block should measure 12 ½" square!!!

If you have any questions call: Debi 227-0381 or Nancy 508-9044

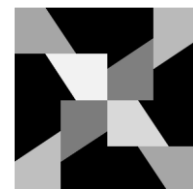


Figure F