Newsletter January 2022



Club News

Next meetings

January 19th – Talk by Debbie about Whitchurch silk mill.

February 2nd – Four corners evening

Show & Tell

I have recently joined the quilts for care leavers group which makes quilts (or hugs as they call them) to give to young people who have recently left the care system often at a Christmas dinner but not always. Quilts can be made to a certain size but they also have a block of the month which you can make as many of as you like and send in to a coordinator who makes quilts up from them. I have found this quite a useful way of using up small amounts of fabrics for a good cause. They also make Morse bags to give the quilts in. Here are my latest donations of the January block.



Hilary

Two quilts I made in lock down using my stash and scrap.





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Fabriholic:

A person who can't control the urge to buy fabric for a project they don't have – yet again.

These clocks were made from kits from "Hannah's Room". They were supposed to be Christmas presents but only one was finished in time. The other will either be for birthday or next Christmas!





Muriel



Nothing haunts us like the fabric we didn't buy!

Challenges

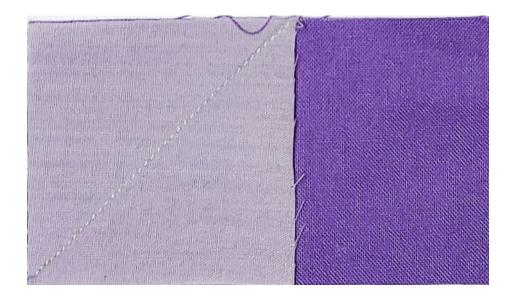
Row robin

Last time the instructions were for the central row, this time there are two rows to go either side of the central one to be done in similar fabrics so the quilt looks balanced.

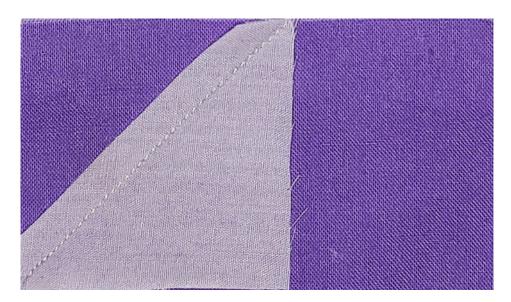
The first row is flying geese which I prefer to do by foundation piecing but I know from the last challenge that most of you prefer to piece so I have done the instructions with this in mind. Both these rows are 3" high finished $3\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished.

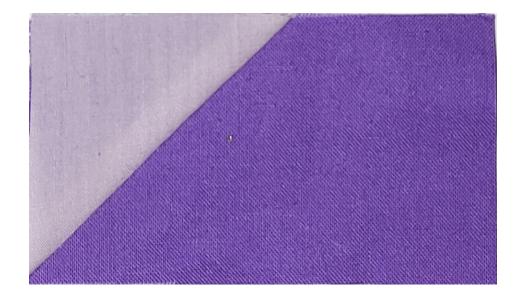
For each goose you will need a rectangle 3 1/2" X 2" and two 2" squares in background fabric.

Place one square on one side of the rectangle and sew diagonally from corner to corner as shown.

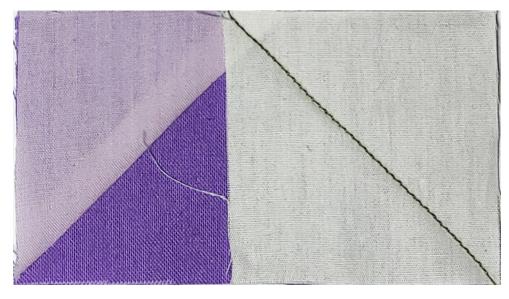


Trim seam allowance and press the square back along the sewn line.

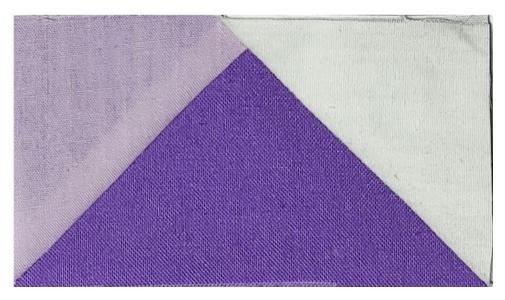




Place the other square on the opposite side and sew diagonally again as shown. Trim seam allowance and press back along the sewn line.



You should now have a goose!



You can trim the rectangle fabric as well but I feel it holds better with it left complete.

I have sewn five geese in the centre and added background fabric either side but you can do as many as you like and lay out as you please. My geese are slightly wider as they are done by foundation piecing but using the above piecing method you have to have the width as half of the height. I have used a light iron on stabiliser to help with my piecing but this is not necessary.



Second row

Using fabric from the flying geese block make a second row with squares/rectangles.

I was using flower fairy fabrics and the panels predicted the size for the fairy pieces but you can choose how you wish to lay it out. It should be $3\frac{1}{2}$ high and 16" wide.



Add a border to the top of one row and the bottom of the other and join to the central row.



The first row in different fabric.



Hilary



"I have a friend who writes songs about sewing machines. He's a Singer song writer. Or sew it seams."

Another round robin, apologies for missing it last time.



Doughty are at last resuming their roadshows. There are 2 near us 21 Feb 10.30 to 4.30 – Charvil, Near Reading, RG10 9TR 5 March 10.30 to 4.30 – Emsworth, PO10 7DP



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