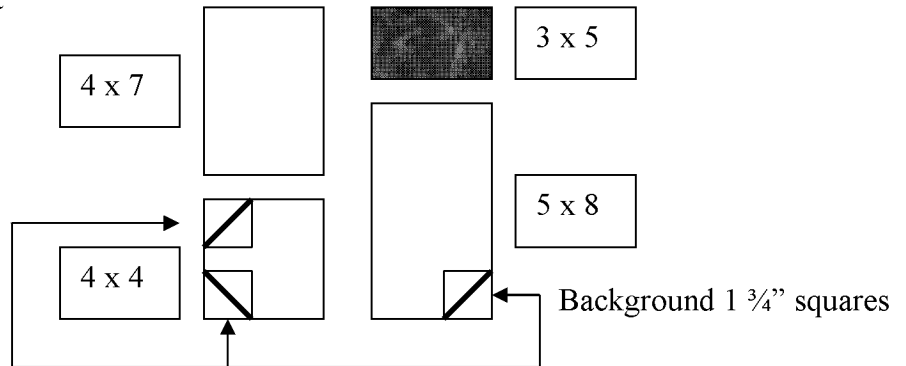


October 2008
Block of the Month
Due November 18

CHRISTMAS STOCKING QUILT BLOCK 10 1/2" by 8 1/2" unfinished

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Fabric Requirements: (white → tone on tone, Christmas reds, greens or blacks)
3 - 1 3/4" squares of **white tone on tone** for 3 corners of the boot (background)
1 - 4" x 7" rectangle of background
1 - 4" square for boot
1 - 5" x 8" rectangle for boot
1 - 3" x 5" stocking trim



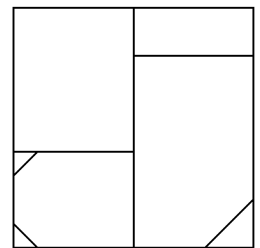
Add snowball tips to 4 x 4 square and lower right corner of boot using 1 3/4" squares

Snowball directions:

Take the 3 - 1 3/4" background squares and draw a diagonal line on the backside of each one. Align 2 of the small background squares in 2 corners on the 4" x 4" fabric and 1 of the small background squares in the lower right corner of the 5" x 8" fabric rectangle. Stitch along the diagonal line. Press upper triangle down, lift and trim excess background and boot corner; re-press the upper triangle down to form the lower corner of the front and rear of the boot.

Assemble the block:

- 1) Sew the snowball 4 x 4" square to the 4 x 7" background rectangle
- 2) Sew the 5 x 8" rectangle to the 3 x 5" stocking trim piece
- 3) Sew the 2 units together
- 4) Block should measure 10 1/2 by 8 1/2 inches
- 5) Press seam allowances away from light background fabric



Suggestions:

Make a mirror image by sewing 1 3/4" squares to the opposite side of the 4x4" square; then move the other vertical pieces to opposite positions.

Questions? Complaints? Comments?

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