

<u>Fabrics:</u> 2-4 Dark Blues, Rich Reds, 1-2 Golds (not yellow). Use traditional fabric prints, no batiks or contemporary fabrics.

Cutting for one block

Red - One 6-1/2" x 6-1/2" square

Blues – Two 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangles and two 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" rectangles (use 2-4 different blue fabrics)

Golds – Two 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" squares (use 1-2 different gold fabrics)

Construction

Sew one gold square to the $2-1/2" \times 6-1/2"$ blue rectangle and the other gold square to the $2-1/2" \times 8-1/2"$ blue rectangle, set aside.

Sew one blue $2-1/2" \times 6-1/2"$ rectangle to the right edge of the red square, then sew the pieced 8-1/2" long blue and gold piece to the top edge of the red square, then sew the blue $2-1/2" \times 8-1/2"$ blue rectangle to the right edge of the blue and gold section. Finally, sew the pieced 10-1/2" blue and gold piece to the top edge of the piece. (See diagram)

Unfinished size should be 10-1/2" x 10-1/2".

This block is called "United We Shine" because by itself it is rather plain, but can be set in many different ways that make the union of the blocks really shine.



