

PROJECT: Bright New Day Block 7

American Patchwork & Quilting

2021 Block of the Month

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FABRICS are from the Bella Solids collection by Moda Fabrics (*modafabrics.com*).

FINISHED BLOCK: 12" square**MATERIALS**

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

- 10" square *each* solid aqua and solid green
- 6½" square solid yellow
- 5" square *each* solid gray and solid coral
- 9x21" piece (fat eighth) solid white

CUT FABRICS

Cut pieces in the following order.

From solid aqua, cut:

- 4-3½" squares

From solid gray, cut:

- 1-4¼" square, cutting it diagonally twice in an X for a total of 4 triangles

From solid coral, cut:

- 1-4¼" square, cutting it diagonally twice in an X for a total of 4 triangles

From solid green, cut:

- 2-4¼" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an X for a total of 8 triangles

From solid white, cut:

- 4-4¼" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an X for a total of 16 triangles
- 4-3½" squares

ASSEMBLE BLOCK

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Press seams in directions indicated by arrows on diagrams. If no direction is specified, press seam toward darker fabric.

1 Use a pencil to mark a diagonal line  on wrong side of each solid aqua 3½" square.

2 Align a marked solid aqua 3½" square with one corner of solid yellow 6½" square (**Diagram 1**; note direction of marked line). Sew on marked line. Trim excess fabric, leaving a ¼" seam allowance. Press open attached triangle. Add a second marked solid aqua 3½" square to opposite corner; trim and press as before. In the same manner, add remaining marked solid aqua 3½" squares to remaining corners to make a Square-in-a-Square unit. The unit still should be 6½" square including seam allowances.

3 Referring to **Diagram 2**, sew  together a solid gray triangle and a solid coral triangle to make a triangle-square. The triangle-square should be 2⅝" square including seam allowance. Press seams toward solid coral triangle. Repeat to make four triangle-squares total.

4 Referring to **Diagram 3**, lay out  two solid green triangles, four solid white triangles, and one triangle-square in three diagonal rows. Sew together pieces in rows, pressing seams toward solid white triangles. Sew together rows, aligning seams in adjoining pieces, to make a side unit. The side unit should be 3½"x6½" including seam allowances. Repeat to make four side units total.

5 Referring to **Diagram 4**, lay out  solid white 3½" squares, side units, and Square-in-a-Square unit in three rows. Sew together pieces in rows using a scant ¼" seam allowance. Join rows a scant ¼" seam allowance to complete block. The block should be 12½" square including seam allowances.

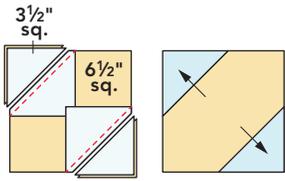


DIAGRAM 1

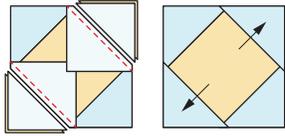


DIAGRAM 2

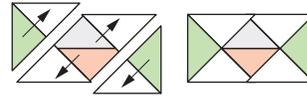


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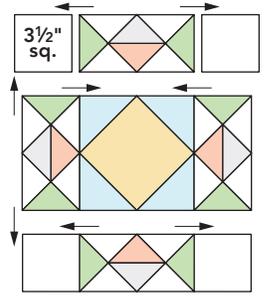
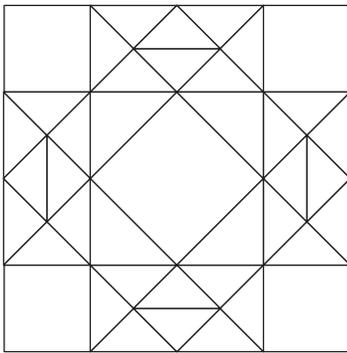


DIAGRAM 4



COLORING DIAGRAM