

**PROJECT: Bright New Day Block 8**

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.

- 9x21" piece (fat eighth) solid white
- 8" square *each* solid gray and solid yellow
- 12" square solid aqua
- 4½" square solid coral

**CUT FABRICS**

Cut pieces in the following order.

If you prefer to make triangle-squares larger than necessary and trim them to size, cut 3" squares instead of the 2⅞" squares specified here.

**From solid white, cut:**

- 2-5¼" squares
- 4-2⅞" squares
- 4-2½" squares

**From solid gray, cut:**

- 4-2⅞" squares

**From solid aqua, cut:**

- 2-5¼" squares


**From solid yellow, cut:**

- 4-2½" 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 white 2⅞" square and 5¼" square.


**2** Layer a marked solid white 2⅞" square atop a solid gray 2⅞" square. Sew together with two seams, stitching ¼" on each side of drawn line (**Diagram 1**). Cut apart on drawn line. Press open to make two small triangle-squares. Each triangle-square should be 2½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make eight small triangle-squares total.

**3** Referring to **Diagram 2**, repeat Step 1 using marked solid white 5¼" squares and solid aqua 5¼" squares to make four large triangle-squares total.

**4** Mark a diagonal line perpendicular  to seam line on wrong side of two large triangle-squares.

**5** Layer a marked large triangle-square atop an unmarked large triangle-square with each solid white triangle facing a solid aqua triangle (**Diagram 3**). Sew ¼" on each side of drawn line. Cut pair apart on drawn line. Press open to make two hourglass units. Each unit should be 4½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make four hourglass units total.

**6** Referring to **Diagram 4**, sew  together one solid white 2½" square, two small triangle-squares, and one solid yellow 2½" square in pairs. Join pairs to make a corner unit. The unit should be 4½" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make four corner units total.

**7** Referring to **Diagram 5**, lay out  corner units, hourglass units, and solid coral 4½" square in three rows. Sew together pieces in rows. Join rows to make a block. The block should be 12½" square including seam allowances.

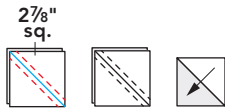


DIAGRAM 1

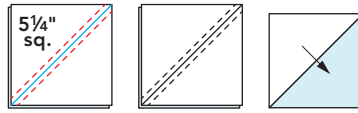


DIAGRAM 2

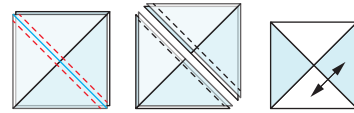


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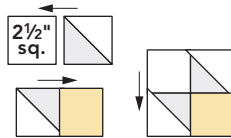


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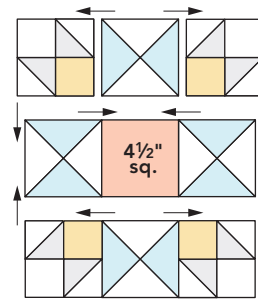
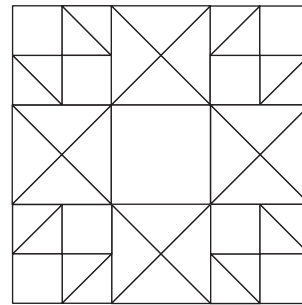


DIAGRAM 5



COLORING DIAGRAM