Intra-guild

SBQG Block of the Month

August 2018

Cross Block by Jacquie Gering 2017

Due: September 2018

You may make up to five blocks for one chance per block to win all of the blocks turned in for the drawing at the September SBQG meeting.

Guidelines for block colors are a light background (white, cream, light gray) and red for the insert color.

Cut:

**2 Rectangles**: Cut a solid color block 1" larger than you would like your finished block to be and slice it vertically into 2 rectangles. They don't need to be equal.

2 Strips (inserts): Cut 1" x the width/length of your block plus 1" extra.

Sew the Block

- 1) Insert first strip between the rectangles vertically and press.
- 2) Cut this unit in half approximately horizontally. It even can be crooked.
- 3) Sew the second strip in the middle, between the two horizontal units to create the cross and press.
  - Basic Slice/Insert Process

4) Trim block to your desired block size.

The slice/insert process begins with a base shape and then it is a slice, cut an insert, sew, press process.

I recommend setting seams and pressing open, especially with long straight lines. Pressing, however, is situational. If you prefer pressing to the side, remember to press to the dark so that there is no shadowing of fabric under the quilt top.



