SANTA ROSA QUILT GUILD
November Block of the Month
Due December 6, 2012

**Around the World**

(Also known as *Around the House, Crop Circles, Around the Block*)

Makes an 11 1/2" square unfinished block

**Color theme:** Earth tones

**Fabric:** One light batik or patterned fabric that reads as solid; one medium or dark batik fabric that is patterned and in high contrast to the light fabric.

Cut 2 x 1-1/2" x w.o.f. (42") strips or the equivalent.

This log cabin pattern is constructed by sewing each additional strip in a clockwise pattern.

See page 2 for assembly directions.

**Cutting the fabric:**

From the light* fabric - 1-1/2" strips
From the dark/patterned* batik - 1-1/2" strips

*This pattern can also be made in reverse with the light fabric in the center and dark on the outer edge, or you can make one of each.

*Reverse these cutting directions if you make a block with the light fabric in the center and the dark on the outer edge.
Sew all seams a scant 1/4”. Press to dark, or to newest piece, your choice.

1. Sew 1 dark and 1 light 1-1/2” squares together.

2. Keeping the light square to the right, sew a 2-1/2” light strip to the bottom. (When starting the following rounds, always start with the light 1-1/2” square to the right.)

3. Continuing in a clockwise direction, sew the other 2-1/2” strip to the left.

4. Sew the 3-1/2” strip to the top. Square the block to 3 1/2”

5. With the small light square to the right, sew the 3-1/2” dark strip to the right.

6. Continue with a dark 4-1/2” strip on the bottom, then a 4-1/2’ strip to the left. Finish with a 5-1/2” strip on the top. Square block to 5-1/2”.

7. Using the same construction sequence, add the additional rounds.

Enjoy this quick block, just remember to keep going clockwise!