

# Santa Rosa Quilt Guild

April 2018

## Block of the Month

Due May 3, 2018

*"A" is for Axis*



The Axis BOM is made from only 2 colors, white or white on white and any hue of Ultra Violet. An axis is a straight line (imaginary) by which an object may rotate or that divides an object into symmetrical halves. Looking at this BOM, it is easy to imagine a straight line extending from top to bottom through the center of the block symmetrically dividing the block in half. The Axis block uses all HSTs (Half Square Triangles). Block is 10 ½" unfinished.

### **Cut the following:**

- Color White or White on White: Cut 8 – 3 1/2" square
- Color Ultra Violet: Cut 8 – 3 1/2" square

### **Sewing:**

Draw a line diagonally on wrong side of all white squares. Set one white square on top of ultra violet square, right sides together. Sew ¼" on each side of drawn line. Cut square diagonally on drawn line. Press seam toward dark HST. Trim HST to 3" square and snip off "dog ears". Repeat process 7 times. The end result produces 16 HSTs.



Note: It is important to follow the diagram to the left for placement of the HSTs. It is easy to sew an incorrect sequence. Following the diagram will ensure a beautifully sewn Axis block!

Sew all seams  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Press seams alternating direction in each row which will allow nesting when rows are sewn together.

Press final seams either up or down.

Do you see the axis down the center of the block? Enjoy!



Congratulations on sewing an Axis block!