

Santa Rosa Quilt Guild

July 2018

Block of the Month

Due August 2, 2018

"J" is for Joy



“J is for Joy” is the name of July’s Block of the Month. There is one primary reason we gather together twice a month (sometimes more) and that is because of the ‘joy’ quilting brings to each one of us. Visiting and being with our community of quilting friends also brings us much ‘joy’.

The Joy BOM is made with 3 contrasting fabrics, with the main colors being a shade of Green and Ultra Violet or Purple. As you can see from the example, a print fabric (personal choice) is used for the large square in the center. Think of something that brings you ‘joy’ when you select your fabrics for this block.

Block is 8 ½” unfinished.

Cut the following: (Color refers to the above image)

- Color A (Green): Cut 2 – 2 ½” x 4 ½” strips and cut 1 – 2 ½” x 5” strip
- Color B (Purple): Cut 2 – 2 ½” x 4 ½” strips and cut 1 – 2 ½” x 5” strip
- Center Square: Cut 1 – 4 ½” x 4 ½” square

Sewing:

Using ¼” seam allowance, sew Color A 4 ½” strips to Color B 4 ½” strips on the 2 ½” edge. Sew Color A 5” strip to Color B 5” strip on the 5” edge. Cut sewn 5” strip unit in half, creating 2 - 2 ½” x 4 ½” square pair units.



1. Sew A and B $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strip together on the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " edge. Press seam towards dark fabric.
2. Sew A and B 5" strips together on the 5" edge. Press seam towards dark fabric.
3. Cut sewn 5" unit in half, creating 2 – square pair units.
4. Sew A and B $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strip together on the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " edge. Press seam towards dark fabric.



1. Sew square pair units to either side of center square. Press seam towards outside center edge.
2. Sew rectangular units to top and bottom of center unit. Press seam towards outside center edge.

'Enjoy' the block you just created!