

## Santa Rosa Quilt Guild <br> Block-of-the-Month

## May 2023 <br> "Wooden Spools"

## Fabric:

## White / off white fabric:

8 ea. 2-1/2" X 7-1/4" rectangles

## Colored fabrics: 4 different colors

Brown fabric (may use 4 different shades/designs)
8 ea. 2-1/2" $\times 7-1 / 4$ " rectangles
ea. 2-1/2" squares

## Cutting and Marking Instructions:

1. Cut all of the $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 7-1 / 4$ " rectangles at 45 degrees on both ends to form trapezoids. Mark the center of the top of each trapezoid
2. Mark the centers of each side of the squares as well as the seam ending point $1 / 4$ "at each corner.

It is helpful to lay out all of the block pieces into the design before beginning to sew.


## Assembly Instructions

1. Join a white trapezoid to a center square aligning the center marks. It is important to end the seam at exactly $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ from the edge. Join a second white trapezoid on the opposite side
2. Join two brown trapezoids to the center square (also on opposite sides). Be careful not to cross into the seam of the first trapezoids at the corner of the square.
3. Align the tips of an adjacent trapezoid side and sew from the tip to the corner of the square. It is helpful to fold the center square outward and make the pieces as flat as possible to sew. Again, be careful not to stitch into the square. You may also want to backstitch at the end. Repeat for all of the trapezoid side seams.
4. Press trapezoid seams to the dark fabric. Admire your completed block!!!

Note: Please write your name on a back side seam of each block you submit, and we'll fill out a ticket(s) to enter you into the drawing to be held on July 6. Bring your blocks to us at our meetings, mail them to us, or contact us to arrange for pickup. Have fun constructing your Wooden Spools.

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