



MARCH 2007 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

25th Anniversary Block

Turn in at April meeting

Techniques: Scrappy 25-patch, with a “25” somewhere on the block.

SPECIAL REQUEST: If you can, make at least two (2) blocks. Turn in block(s) for the monthly BOM raffle. Turn in another block to go into a special Strawberry Supper Quilt Raffle. You’ll receive a raffle ticket for every block turned in and the tickets are good for both the monthly drawing and the special June drawing.

Block size: 10-1/2 unfinished; use ¼ inch seam throughout

Colors:

- Dig into your scrap basket for TWENTY-FIVE (25) DIFFERENT FABRICS
- Any colors. Any pattern. Any fabric. Have fun.

Cutting:

- Cut one (1) 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch square from each of 25 different fabrics.
- To make multiple blocks, sew together five (5) 2-1/2 inch strips; make 5 sets. Then cut each strip set into 2-1/2 inch segments and follow the instructions for putting rows together.

Construction:

- Arrange your 25 squares in a pleasing arrangement, 5 across by 5 down.
- Sew 5 squares into row 1 and press to the left. Repeat for rows 3 and 5 (all pressed to the left).
- Sew 5 squares into row 2 and press to the right. Repeat for row 4.
- Sew row 1 to row 2, nesting the seams as you sew (you shouldn’t need to pin). Add rows 3, 4, and 5 until block is complete.
- Press all row seams in one direction, either up or down.

Embellishment:

- To celebrate Garden State Quilters’ 25th anniversary, embellish your block with a “25” somewhere on the block. Make it BIG, or make it small. Appliqué it, ink it on with permanent pen, embroider on by hand or sewing machine, bead it on. Be creative.
- Put the 2 and 5 together (“25”), or put the “2” and “5” in different places on your block (not in the seam allowance, please).

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