

# Bay Area Quilt Guild Scrap Exchange

## General Instructions

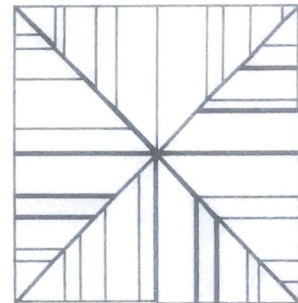
1. Use only good quality 100% cotton fabric and thread. Pre-wash all fabric.
2. Seams must be an accurate 1/4" - please measure your own blocks in stages and the completed blocks before turning in.
3. If you choose to make more sets than the minimum required per instructions, each new set must be done in different fabrics label additional pinned groups as # 2
4. No duplicates in a pinned groups unless stated in the instructions.
5. No IOU's.
6. Press blocks from the back first to make sure seam allowances are going the correct direction, then press the front to check for accuracy of points. Trim all threads and clip all nubs. Do NOT trim the block or square it up.
7. Pin blocks into groups according to instructions and label each pinned group with your name and phone number. Place labeled pinned groups in a large baggie and label the outside with your name, phone number and number or groups traded. Remember one pinned group per person goes to the Guild.
8. If you stitch blocks to trade together instead of pinning, please use only 2 or 3 large basting stitches. Do Not stick name labels to blocks, please use pins or basting stitch.

TERMINOLOGY: SET - all blocks from the same fabrics

PINNED GROUP - one block from each SET for maximum variety - no repeats

**BLOCK SIZE:** 10 1/2" finished ( 11" unfin.)  
**DUE DATE:** Tuesday, May 14, 2013. Fabrics Etc box  
**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, May 23, 7pm, Fabrics Etc  
**CONTACT PERSON:** Winnie Fleming [winnief@juno.com](mailto:winnief@juno.com)  
**NUMBER OF SETS:** 3 Sets of 12 blocks = 36 blocks total  
**PINNED GROUPS TO TRADE:** 12 pinned groups each consisting of 3 different blocks  
**FABRICS:** ANY LIGHT - white, creme or tan background with a small print. Shirtings are fine. It's ok to repeat fabrics (different width) in other sets, but try not to repeat a fabric in a block.  
**FABRICS NOT TO USE:** NO SOLIDS, no medium or darks

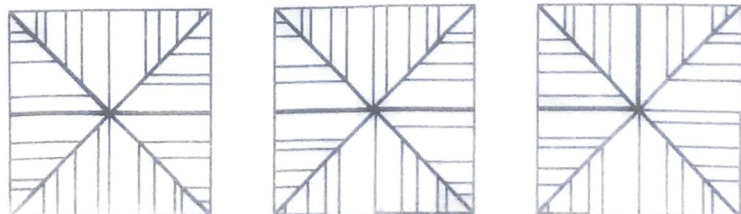
## Neutral Connector blocks



10 1/2" finished

The blocks were designed to be combined with the previously traded blocks - COTTON BOLL (Bonnie Hunter's book - Strip Fling p. 52). Once these blocks are traded, you can take a few blocks apart for the side triangles.

One pinned group:

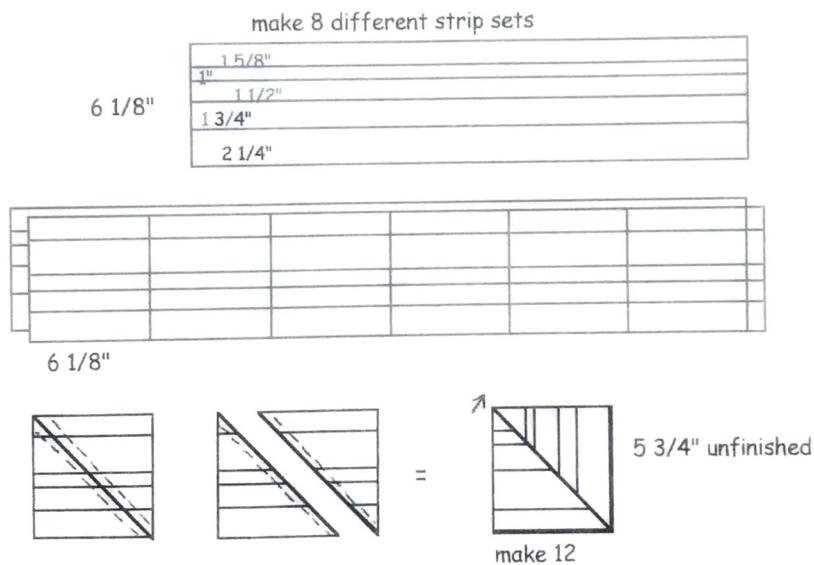


Instructions for 1 SET of 12 blocks: (repeat 3 times for 36 blocks)

Make 8 different strip sets of any LIGHTS. Each strip set will have 5 different widths of strips and 5 different fabrics - one of each cut - 1", 1 1/2", 1 5/8", 1 3/4", 2 1/4". So cut (stack as many as you can comfortably and accurately cut) 8 different fabrics of each width listed above. 8 x 5 = 40 different fabrics per set. (If you plan to repeat fabrics, cut a different width that will be used in another set.)

Sew 5 strips side by side (1 of each strip width in any order) for 8 different strip sets. Press to one side. The width of the strip sets should measure 6 1/8".

Next, stack 2 strip sets with right sides together and raw edges matched on the top and bottom of the strip sets. The seams should be random and not matched or even. Cut 6 - 6 1/8" pairs of squares. Draw a diagonal line on the top square according to the diagram below. Stitch 1/4" on both sides of the drawn line. Cut on the line to separate units for 12 - 5 3/4" unfinished half square triangle units. Repeat with the remaining strip sets (4 times total). Each block uses 4 different HST.



Then sew 4 different HST together by rows for each large block according to the diagram.

