

Mosaic, No. 6



A boring name for a pretty block. Similar construction to the Patriotic Mosaic that was the July 2026 block. You can choose whatever fabric color you would like for the main parts of the block, but the background color should be something light (i.e. white, cream, grey, etc.)

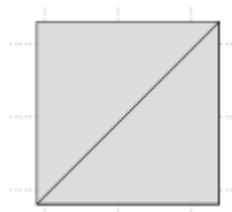
One important note. Make sure that you sew your diagonal seams in the same direction for every strip! Make sure that your strips look exactly like the examples shown. If you sew the diagonal in the opposite direction, your block will be mirrored. If you do this, there will be an example of the placement for the mirrored strips on the last page.

Fabric Required:

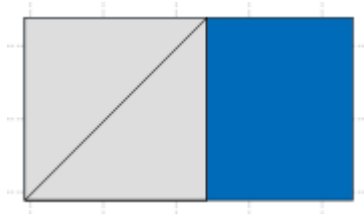
4 – 4 ½” x 2 ½” - Color 1
4 – 4 ½” x 2 ½” - Color 2
16 – 2 ½” x 2 ½” - Background

Construction:

On the back of your 2 ½” background squares, draw a diagonal from one corner to the other.



Place the $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ blocks lengthwise in front of you. Place one of the background blocks on the left side of the block.



We will be doing a stitch-and-flip or a snowball. Stitch along the line. Trim a $\frac{1}{4}''$ away from the seam on the left. Fold the corner up and press the seam well any way you want.



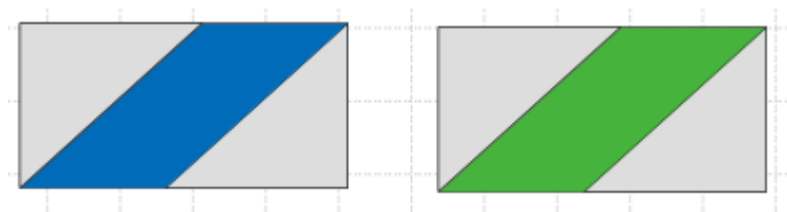
Place another background block on the right side of the block. Make sure that the diagonal line is facing the same direction as the one you already did.



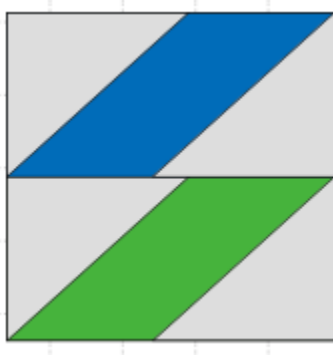
Stitch along the line. Trim a $\frac{1}{4}''$ away from the seam on the right. Fold the corner down and press the seam well any way you want.



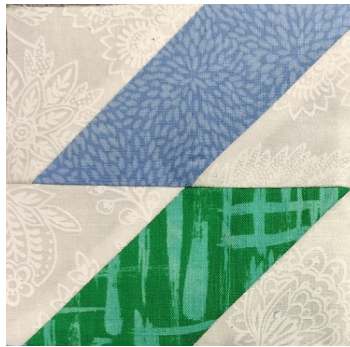
Repeat this with all remaining $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ strips. Make sure that your diagonal seams are all facing the same direction on all of the strips. You should have a total of four of color 1 and 4 of color 2.



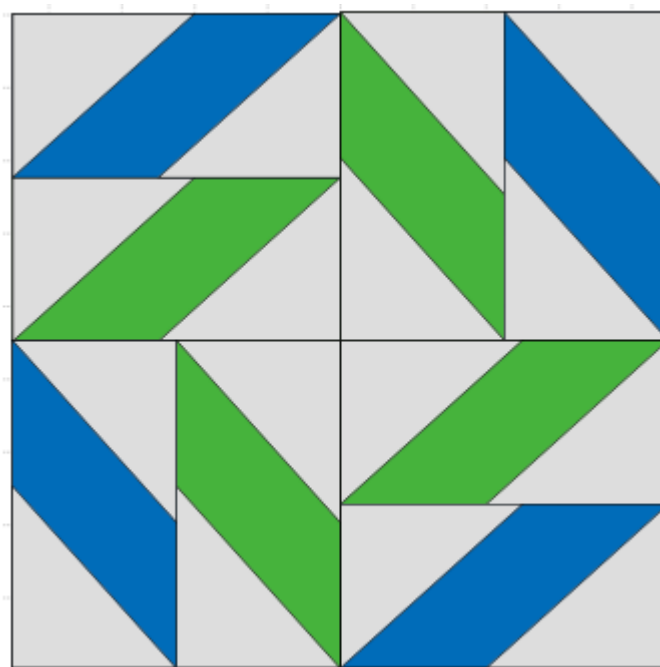
Take a color 1 strip and place it face down on a color 2 strip. Sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam along the top edge. Open the block and press the seam any way you would like. Repeat this with the remaining strips.



NOTE: Your diagonal seams should line up on the two blocks, unlike the diagram above.

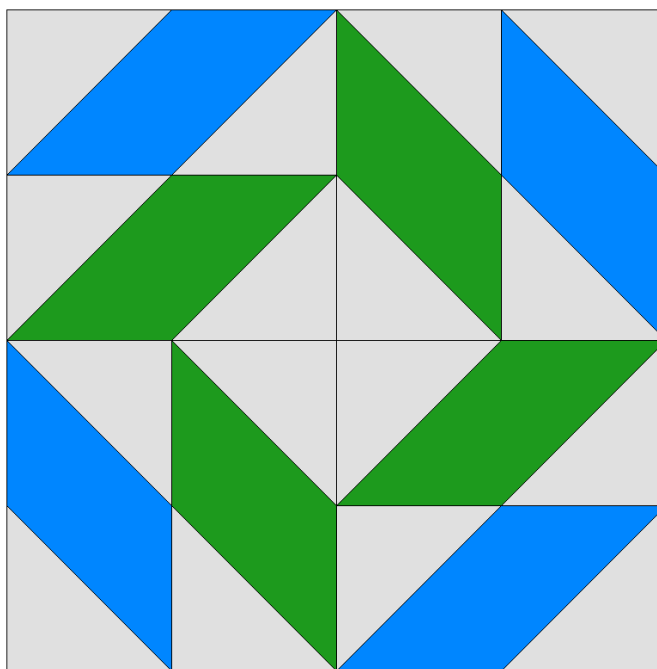


Arrange the four blocks in the following fashion with color 1 always being towards the outside edge of the block.



Sew each row with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press the seams in opposite directions for each row.

Place row 1 on top of row 2 right sides together. Nest the seams along the center and sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Open the block and you should be able to rotate the center seam and press flat.



The block should measure approximately $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ " square. 9" x 9" finished.

Mirrored Block Example

If you happened to sew your diagonal seams in the opposite direction, your block will be mirrored. Follow the same instructions, but arrange your blocks in this fashion for the finished block.

