

## Four Square

Due Thursday, April 7, 2016

Modern fabrics are bold in color and print with high contrast. Modern blocks are updated classic quilt patterns. The designs are minimalist with large areas of negative space.

Supplies: Three fabrics in an analogous color scheme of red, yellow and orange. Analogous colors touch each other on the color wheel. Use solids or prints that read as solids.

Cutting: Color $1 \quad$ Cut four squares 4"x4" from one color
Color 2 Cut four squares 2 "x 2 " from one color

Color 3 Cut one $2^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{\prime \prime}$ strip. From this strip cut two rectangles $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2$ " and one rectangle $6 " \times 2$ ". (Strip is intentionally cut oversized. You will have a little left over.)

Assemble: Use a $1 / 4$ " seam allowance throughout.


Sew one $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ square color 2 to one $2^{\prime \prime} \times 21 / 2 \prime$ rectangle color 3 . Press to the darker fabric.

Sew one square color 1 to the top and bottom of the previous unit. Note: place the 2 "x 2 " square to the outside. Repeat for other side. Press toward large square.

Sew one $2 \prime \times 2$ " square color 2 to $2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle color 3 . Repeat on the other end. Press toward darker color.

Sew side units to center with Color 3 fabrics meeting in the center to form a cross. Press toward darkest color.

Write your name on the seam allowance or pin your name to your block. Block is complete and will measure $9^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$ unfinished and $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ finished.

All blocks for the 2016 BOM modern sampler will measure $81 / 2 \prime \times 81 / 2 \prime$. Make one for Block of the Month and one for yourself if you would like to have a modern sampler at the end of the year.

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