

Quilting in the heat of July? No doubt our NQ (non-quilting) friends think we're crazy, but there's always another project that can catch our imagination. For the July Block of the month, think lemonade, key lime pie, blueberries and cream and watermelon. The fabrics for "Summer Wind" are soft and cooling. The pattern is pretty simple if you're comfortable with Half Square Triangles (HST) and Flying Geese (FG). Set the fan in your sewing space on high, and enjoy our next adventure in "Never Enough Nine Patch".

Finished block is 12-1/2" square, unfinished; 12" square finished. Sew scant 1/4" seams.

Fabric for HST's and FG's are estimated. Adjust as needed according to your favorite way to make them. I used Eleanor Burn's method for both HST's and FG's, as reflected in these measurements.

Fabric:

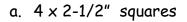
Fabric #1 - white tone-on-tone

- a. For HST's, 2 ea. 6-3/4" squares.
- b. For FG's, 2 ea. 7" squares. \*\*

Fabric #2 - medium to light blue

- a. For HST's, 2 ea. 6-3/4" squares.
- b. For center block, 1 ea. 4-1/2" square
- Fabric #3 chartreuse or yellow/green
- a. For FG, one 5-1/2" square \*\*
- Fabric #4 summer color of your choice
- a. For FG, one 5-1/2" square \*\*

Fabric #5 - lilac/lavender



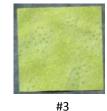
\*\* Generic directions for making FG's are available at the download section of our website, and some printouts will be available at the BOM display.





#1, #1b

#2a



#4

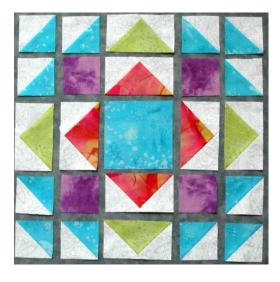


#2b



Assembling the block:

- A. With fabrics #1a and #2, make a total of 12 HST's. One method is shown at right. Sew on red lines, cut on black. Square HST's to 2-1/2" square. Make 12. (You'll have 4 extra).
- B. Make two sets of 4 FG's using fabrics #1b and fabrics #3 and #4. Unfinished size is 4-1/2" x 2-1/2".
  Make 4 of each color.
- C. Layout pieces as shown here:





D. Sew rows together as shown here:



E. Finished block is shown at right.

The winner of the "Summer Wind" blocks might make a quilt that looks something like this

Have Fun!

