Friendship Block #3 for Community Quilts

These Friendship Block credits were donated to the Community Quilts program and Pam Beebe has selected the "Eccentric Star" block, a traditional pieced block. She would like 12 of these blocks.

The block is 12" finished (12-1/2" unfinished)

 Fabric:

 Floral print - this fabric will be supplied

 Background fabric - white or tone on tone white

 Center Square - solid or "reads as solid" pastel that picks out one of the colors in the floral print

Construction - simple 9-patch with Half Square Triangle units.

A. Square: cut 1 pastel square @ 4-1/2"

B. Half Square Triangles Unit - You have been provided with 4 floral print squares measuring 4-7/8". You will need 4 background squares of the same size. Place each print square right sides together with a background square. Mark the diagonal. Sew a <u>scant</u> quarter inch seam on each side of the diagonal. Cut on the diagonal. Press to the red print. You should end up with 8 half-square-triangle units that measure 4-1/2". Note: try this with some scrap fabric first to determine how scant your 1/4" seam should be - it is better to sew a smaller seam and trim the unit to size, than to have too small a unit!

C. Assembly: Assemble these 9 units so that the block looks like the image above. Pay particular attention to the orientation of the triangles. You may need to grade the pastel fabric seam allowance to avoid shadowing through the floral print.

You may pick up kits for this block from Phyllis at the meetings.

Please return completed block in a timely fashion, as all 12 are need to make the quilt top.



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