## FVQG Block of the Month - September 2023

 Flying Dutchman BlockPlease use black and light grey and a BRIGHT colour fabric that you choose
Fabric Requirements for a 12" Finished Flying Dutchman Quilt Block:

- Black: (2) -5.5 " squares, (8) $-2.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares (solid or tone-on-tone)

- Bright colour - your choice (mine is orange): (1) - $5.5^{\prime \prime}$ square and (4) $-2.5^{\prime \prime} \times 4.5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles (solid or tone-on-tone)
- Light Grey: (1) -5.5 " square, and (4) $-2.5^{\prime \prime} \times 6.5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles (solid or tone-on-tone)

Make: 4 identical hourglass units - as shown

This is how:


Mark a diagonal line on the back of the grey $5.5^{\prime \prime}$ square and then match it up with the black $5.5^{\prime \prime}$ square (exactly on top, lining up the edges, (shown slightly below just for a visual). Do the same with the bright (mine is orange) square and the other black square.

sew $1 / 4$ " (or a little less) on both sides of the marked line; cut on the marked line, open up the two halves, and press the seam allowances towards the black fabric. This is your basic Half Square Triangle block.

Draw a diagonal line, perpendicular to the seam on the back of two units Match up the units with the black fabric opposite one another - good sides facing each other. Sew 1/4" (or a little less) on both sides of the marked line; cut on the marked line, open up the two halves, and press.


Next you can square up the unit to $4.5^{\prime \prime}$ square and repeat these steps for a total of 4 Hourglass units

Make 4 identical flying geese units, here's how:
use the 2.5 " $\times 4.5$ " rectangles (mine are orange). Place a black 2.5 " square on the left side of the orange rectangle (match up exactly on top, lining up edges). Again, mark a diagonal line on the back of the black square and sew on this line. Press towards the outside. You can cut away the extra fabric (leaving a $1 / 4$ " seam allowance. Now add a black $2.5^{\prime \prime}$ square to the right side of the orange rectangle (match up exactly on top, lining up edges). Again, mark a diagonal line on the back of the black square and sew on this line. Press towards the outside. You can cut away the extra fabric (leaving a $1 / 4$ " seam allowance.


1. Sew a hourglass unit to a flying geese unit using a $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam. Press the seam towards the hourglass unit.
2. Sew the grey $2.5^{\prime \prime} \times 6.5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle to the hourglass/flying geese unit ( $1 / 4$ " seam). Press seam towards the grey rectangle.

$\qquad$ Make 4 identical units and you will rotate 90 degrees for each unit

Sew unit 1 to unit 2. Sew unit 3 to unit 4. Press. Then sew unit 1-2 to unit 3-4 and you're done!


