FVQG Block of the Month – September 2023

Flying Dutchman Block

Please 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" squares (solid or tone-on-tone)
- Bright colour your choice (mine is orange): (1) 5.5" square and (4) 2.5" x 4.5" rectangles (solid or tone-on-tone)
- Light Grey: (1) 5.5" square, and (4) 2.5" x 6.5" 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" square and then match it up with the black 5.5" 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.

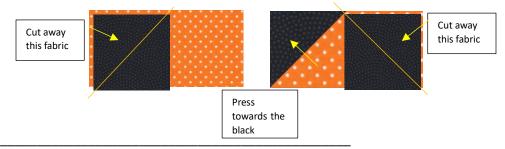
Draw a diagonal line, perpendicular to the seam on the back of two units Match up the units with the black fabric opposite one another – good sides facing each other. Sew 1/4" (or a little less) on both sides of the marked line; cut on the marked line, open up the two halves, and press.



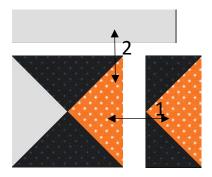
Next you can square up the unit to 4.5" square and repeat these steps for a total of 4 Hourglass units

Make 4 identical flying geese units, here's how:

use the 2.5" x 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 ¼" seam allowance. Now add a black 2.5" 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 ¼" seam allowance.



- 1. Sew a hourglass unit to a flying geese unit using a ¼" seam. Press the seam towards the hourglass unit.
- 2. Sew the grey 2.5" x 6.5" rectangle to the hourglass/flying geese unit (1/4" seam). Press seam towards the grey rectangle.



__ 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!

