

# Fraser Valley Quilters' Guild

## October 2007 Block of the Month

### Fall Goose Around (3D Flying Geese)

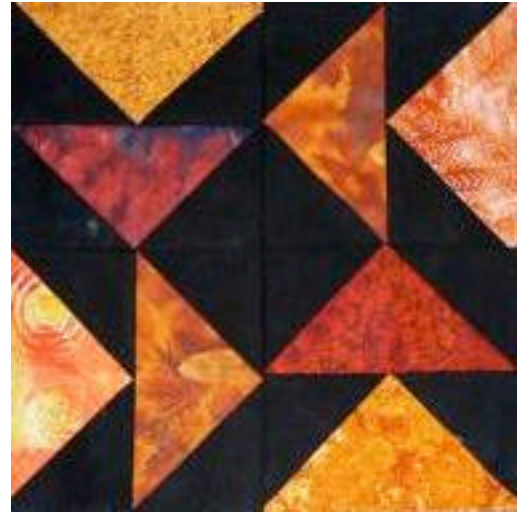
finished block size 10" x 10"

unfinished block size 10½" x 10½"

#### Fabric Requirements:

background in dark blue, cut sixteen 3" squares.

geese - 8 fall shades in gold, rust or burnt orange (may use each colour more than once if desired), cut eight 3" x 5½" rectangles.



#### Step 1. Individual Geese Units

- fold each flying goose rectangle in half, right side out (3" x 2¾" rectangle formed).
- place this folded rectangle on the right side of a background square placing the folded edge ¼" from one edge of the square (for seam allowance at the tip of the goose).
- align remaining raw edges.
- place a second background square on top of the flying goose, right side down, positioning as above.
- sew a ¼" seam along one of the side edges where the goose unit is shorter, catching the fold in the seam.
- open the unit (5½" x 3") making a triangle and press the seam open
- sew along the base of the triangle to secure

#### Step 2. Sewing The Block Together

- join pairs of geese together using a ¼" seam along the lengthwise edge of the individual flying goose rectangle lining the tip of one goose with the middle of the base of the triangle above.
- press the seams toward the tip of the lower goose unit.
- sew the four geese units together creating a diamond of background fabric in the centre as in the diagram above.

#### Changing the Size of the Flying Geese Unit.

1. background pieces: desired height of finished unit plus ½" equals the size of the square.
2. height of flying goose rectangle: same as the size of the background square.
3. length of flying goose rectangle: double the size of the background square and subtract ½".