

MAY BOM....SCRAPPY BLOCK by Carole Anne Smith

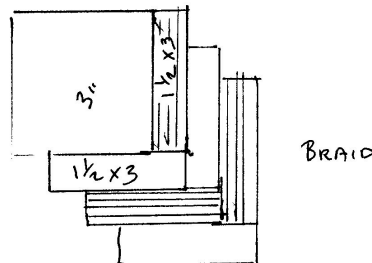
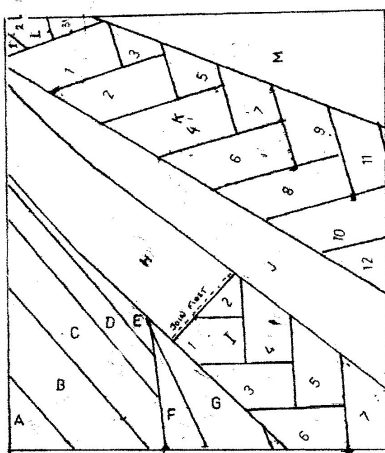
10 ½" finished block size

Colour theme: dusty pinks, rose prints, burgundy

I know many of you have lots & lots of bits and pieces in all sizes. Find some strips in different widths, some ½ square triangles, blocks, etc. and start assembling them. In this case I started with a corner and kept adding pieces. Some pieces were already assembled (like the braid), leftover from other projects. I used a coordinated colour theme. If you wish, you can start with a centre block and build up your strips from the centre outward. The most important thing to remember is that you make pieces are larger than required so you allow for angles and trimmings. The block will look messy. You trim your block to size before you put on the borders.

I have included a drafting of the block before borders.

To make braided pieces: Start with a 3" block and several pieces that are 3" x 1 ½" Put your first strip along the block right sides together and stitch. Finger press and take the next strip and line it up with the edge of the first strip and align it with the other side of the block (on point). You just keep repeating this step.



I want you to have fun with this and you do not have to follow my pattern...it's much more fun and creative when you just start joining and cutting. Sew your pieces at odd angles then trim off excess to give you a ¼" seam. It's a lot easier than trying to sew a bunch of triangles together on bias. I even angled the strips sewn next to the braid as to cut off the braid making it appear off-set

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