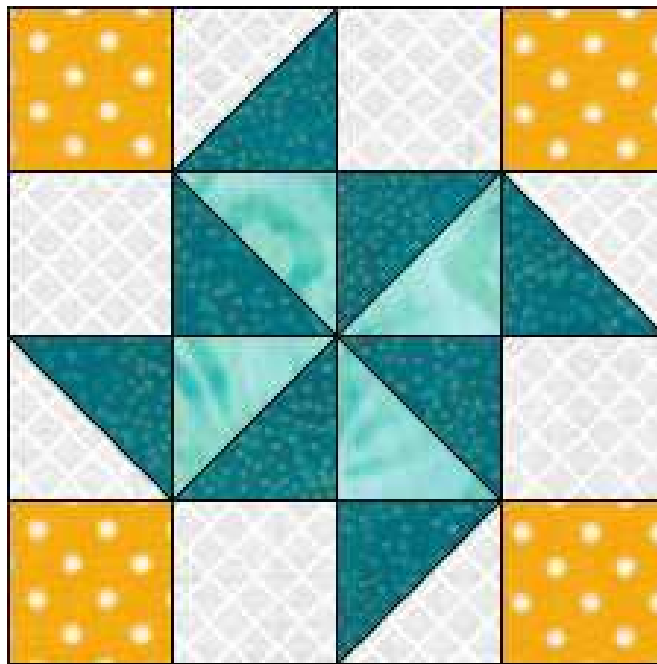


Fraser Valley Quilters' Guild Block of the Month – September 2024 – Block 1

This season's FVQG block of the month (BOM) blocks will all be 'scrappy' for me. You can use whatever colour choice you want, make it scrappy or make it coordinated, if you prefer. Join me in a 'Quilt Along' using BOM blocks. At the end of the Quilt Along, we'll have a quilt top. I'll give more details in September at the Day meeting and show you what my vision of the finished quilt will look like. If you don't want to join the Quilt Along, you can just make a block for the BOM draw each month. You can also do both, Quilt Along and make a block each month for the Draw!

Block 1 will finish at 12" (with seam allowance – 12 ½")

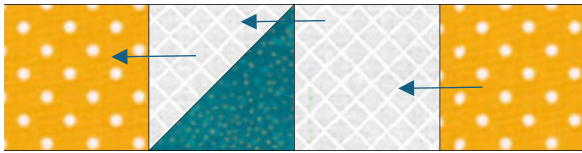
Block 1 will be the centre of our Quilt Along quilt.



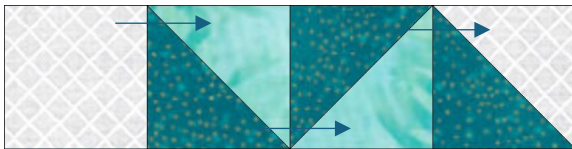
- Start by cutting 4 squares – 3 ½" x 3 ½" for the corners – mine are orange
- Cut 4 squares 3 ½" x 3 ½" for the background – mine are white checks
- Create 8 bias squares that are 3 ½" x 3 ½" (using whatever your favourite method is). Online has numerous sites that will show you how to make bias squares, if you're not sure how.
- 4 of these squares are for the centre and are half light and half dark – mine are light green and dark green
- 4 of these squares are are half dark and half background – mine are dark green and half white checks

Assemble the squares into rows, 1 to 4, positioning the bias squares like in the photos

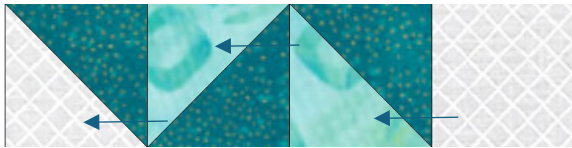
- Assemble Row 1 using the 4 squares as follows and press seams to the left:



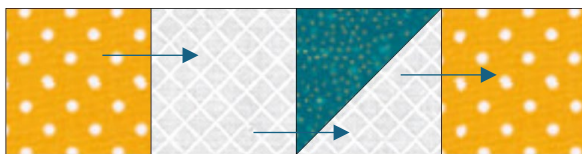
- Assemble Row 2 using the 4 squares as follows and press seams to the right:



- Assemble Row 3 using the 4 squares as follows and press seams to the left:



- Assemble Row 4 using the 4 squares as follows and press seams to the right:



Now when you sew the rows together, 1 to 2, 3 to 4 and then 1-2 to 3-4, the seams will be opposing each other, so will match up nicely.