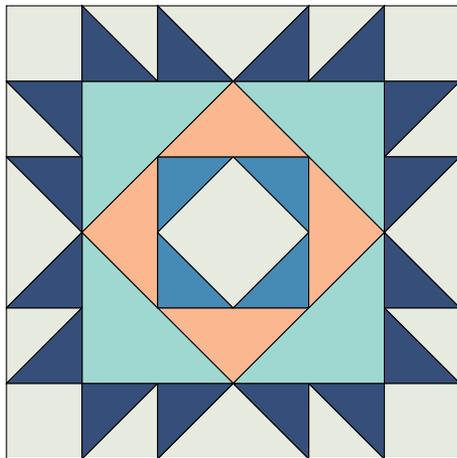


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## BIRDS OF PARADISE

by Susan Vaughan

### FEATURING:

Lady Bird  
by Crystal Manning

## INGREDIENTS

### 6" BLOCK

FROM FABRIC 1, CUT:

\* {A} (8) 1½" squares

\* {B} (4) 2" squares

FROM FABRIC 2, CUT:

\* {C} (2) 3½" squares cut in half along the diagonal\*

FROM FABRIC 3, CUT:

\* {D} (2) 2¾" squares - cut in half along the diagonal\*

FROM FABRIC 4, CUT:

\* {A} (4) 1½" squares

FROM FABRIC 5, CUT:

\* {E} (1) 2½" square

FROM BACKGROUND

FABRIC, CUT:

\* {B} (4) 2" squares

\* {A} (4) 1½" squares

\* {F} (4) 1½" x 2½" rectangles

### 12" BLOCK

FROM FABRIC 1, CUT:

\* {A} (8) 2½" squares

\* {B} (4) 3" squares

FROM FABRIC 2, CUT:

\* {C} (2) 5¼" squares cut in half along the diagonal\*

FROM FABRIC 3, CUT:

\* {D} (2) 4" squares - cut in half along the diagonal\*

FROM FABRIC 4, CUT:

\* {A} (4) 2½" squares

FROM FABRIC 5, CUT:

\* {E} (1) 4½" square

FROM BACKGROUND

FABRIC, CUT:

\* {B} (4) 3" squares

\* {A} (4) 2½" squares

\* {F} (4) 2½" x 4½" rectangles

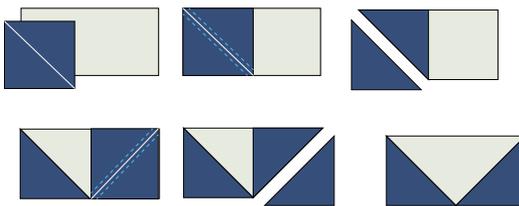
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**YIELD** 6" or 12" block

**STEP 1. MAKE FLYING GEESSE**

Draw a diagonal line on the back of {A} background squares. With right sides together, layer one {A} square on the top right corner of an {F} rectangle. Sew on the line, trim, and press out. Repeat on the opposite corner to form a flying geese unit.

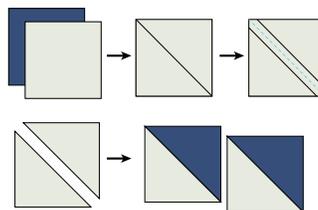
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**STEP 2. MAKE HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES**

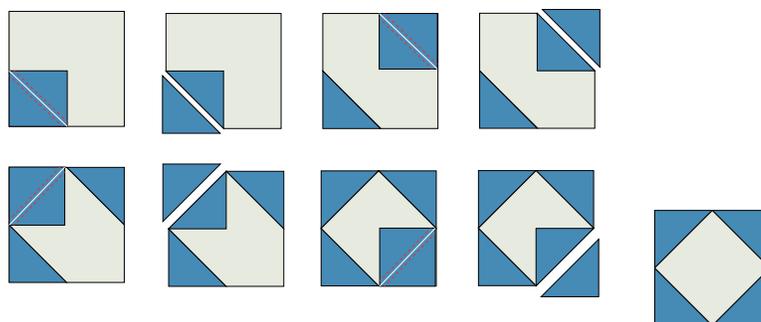
Draw a line on the back of {B} background squares. With right sides together, layer one Fabric 1 {B} square with background square. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of marked lines. Cut along the diagonal line. Press to the darker fabric and trim squares to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square (for 12" block) or  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square (for 6" block).

Repeat to make (8) half square triangles.

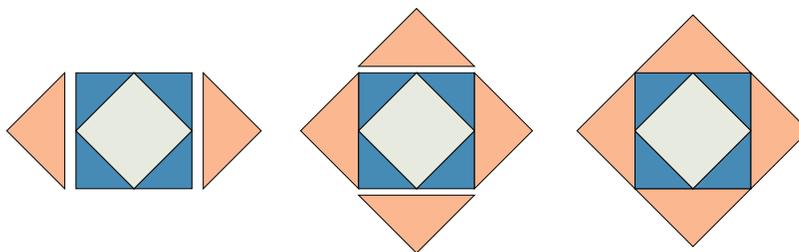


**STEP 3. MAKE CENTER**

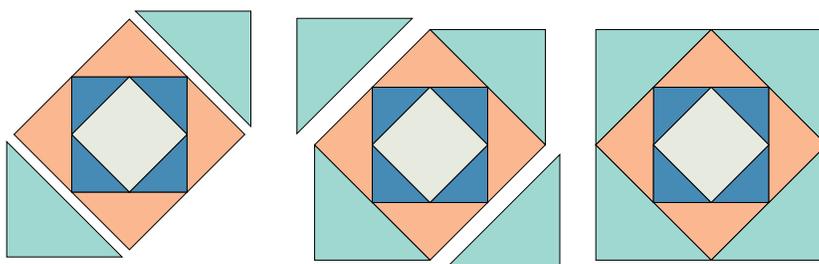
Draw a diagonal line on the back of {A} squares. With right sides together, layer one {A} square on the top right corner of a {E} square. Sew on the line, trim, and press out. Repeat on remaining 3 corners.



Attach {D} triangles to the sides of the unit created above. Once all four triangles are added, trim block to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " beyond the point. My squares measure approximately  $6\frac{1}{8}$ " square for the 12" block and  $3\frac{3}{8}$ " square for the 6" block. Your measurements will vary depending on your seam allowance. The  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance is more important than the actual measurement.

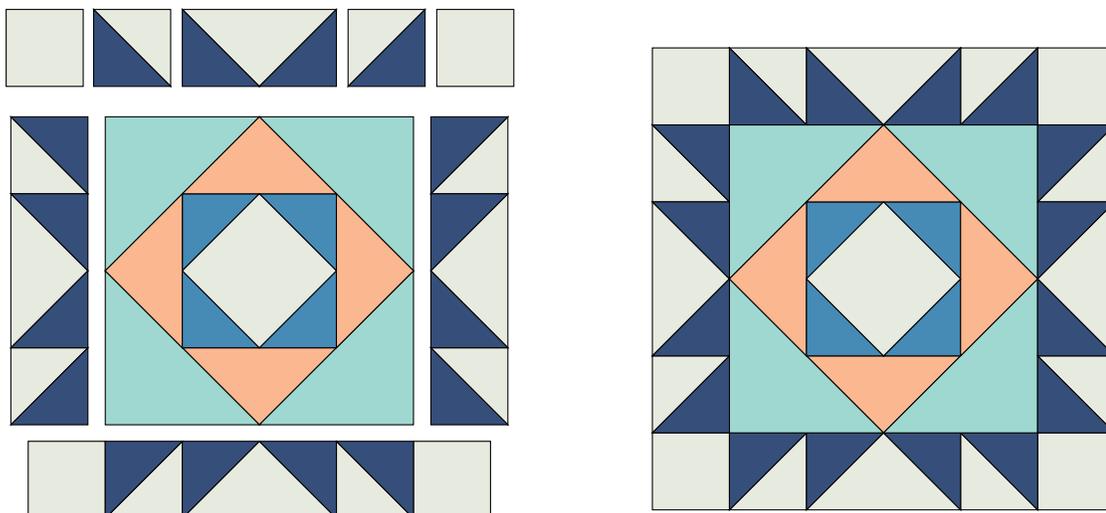


Attach {C} triangles to the sides of the unit created in above. Once all four triangles are added, trim block to  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " (for 12" block) or 4.5" (for 6" block). Your  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance might be slightly larger than  $\frac{1}{4}$ " but this will ensure your block comes out to the proper size when finished.



**STEP 4. ASSEMBLE BLOCK**

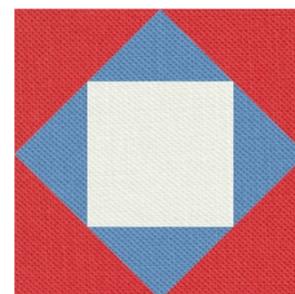
Arrange units according to block diagram. Sew units into rows, and sew rows together to form block. Press seams open to create a flatter block. Block measures 12½" unfinished or 6½" unfinished.



**BIRDS OF PARADISE - BONUS!**

**4" or 6" FUSSY CUTTING BLOCK**

Lady Bird has so many beautiful prints that are just perfect for fussy cutting. These Fussy Cut Blocks are the perfect complement to add as a filler block to any of your quilts - interesting yet don't take away from your main blocks. Start with a 2 ½" or a 3 ½" square and build your block from there!



**Cutting Instructions:**

Color	4" finished block	6" finished block
White	2 ½" square [a]	3 ½" square [a]
Blue	(2) 2 ¾" squares cut in half along the diagonal [b]*	(2) 3 ½" squares cut in half along the diagonal [b]*
Red	(2) 3 ½" squares cut in half along the diagonal [c]*	(2) 4 ½" squares cut in half along the diagonal [c]*

\*oversized to allow for trimming

**Block Assembly:**

Step 1: Attach [b] triangles to the four sides of [a]. Press out. Once all four triangles are added, trim block to ¼" beyond the point. My blocks measure approximately 4 ¾" for the 6" block and 3 3/8" for the 4" block. Your measurements will vary depending on your seam allowance. The ¼" seam allowance is more important than the actual measurement.

Step 2: Attach [c] triangles to the four sides of the unit created in Step 1. Press out. Once all four triangles are added, trim block to 4 ½" or 6 ½".