

Midget Blocks—Block 72

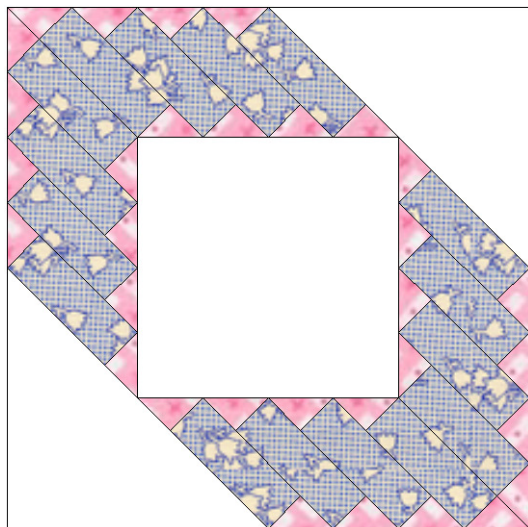
Midget Blocks are a series of wonderful little blocks adapted from an antique sampler quilt made during the 1930s. I hope you'll enjoy making these blocks and a sampler quilt of your own.

Most of these blocks were made using just two colors. A print or solid color and the background fabric. This block in the original quilt was constructed using a blue solid, pink solid and background fabric.

Bride's Stairway—4 1/2"

In the antique quilt this block is the seventh block from the left in the seventeenth row.

This block is well suited for machine piecing



This block should go together quite easily once you have your pieces cut out.

From background fabric cut:

Cut one 3 1/8" square and cut in half diagonally one way to yield two triangles.

Cut one 2 3/4" square.

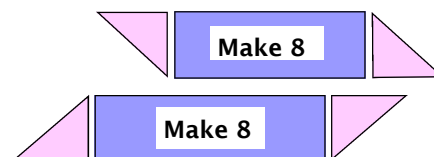
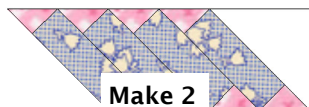
From blue fabric cut:

Cut 16 rectangles 7/8" x 1 3/4"

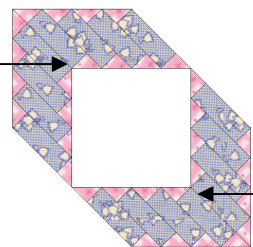
From pink fabric cut:

Cut 8 squares 1 5/8" and cut in half diagonally both ways to yield 32 triangles.

- Sew a pink triangle to each end of the blue rectangles. You'll need eight units with the triangles facing in one direction and eight with the triangles facing in the opposite direction.
- Sew the strips together to form the four sections that surround the center square. You'll need two of each unit shown.



- Sew the units to each side of the center background square stopping your stitching 1/4" from the edge at the corners indicated by the arrows. Complete the seam at these points by sewing the rectangle/triangle units together out to the corner. I call this an *opposite "Y" seam*.
- Sew a background triangle to remaining opposite sides to complete the block.



Your unfinished block should measure 5"



*Sentimental Stitches*TM

4759 Boyd NE / Grand Rapids MI 49525

Phone:(616)361-9255 / email:ssquilt@aol.com

www.sentimentalstitches.com

Copyright 2008