

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - June - Diane deFreitas and the Knotty Girls Small Group

Batik Basket Bonanza—Basket #12

All the blocks this year will be pieced baskets made of a good quality batik and white-on-white as the background. All blocks will be 10 inches finished and 10 1/2 inches unfinished. Be careful with your 1/4 inch seams and your pressing so that the blocks that are won are uniform in size. Questions? Call Diane deFreitas

Cutting instructions:

Basket (batik—your color choice)

D—cut 1 square 4 7/8" X 4 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

F—cut 3 squares 2 7/8" X 2 7/8"

G—cut 2 square 2 7/8" X 2 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

H—cut 2 squares 2 1/2" X 2 1/2"

Background (white-on-white)

A—cut 2 rectangles 2 1/2" X 6 1/2"

B—cut 2 squares 4 7/8" X 4 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

C—cut 2 squares 2 1/2" X 2 1/2"

E—cut 3 squares 2 7/8"

To make E/F half-square triangles: layer E + F squares, right sides together. On back of lighter square, draw a diagonal line. Stitch a scant 1/4" on both sides of drawn line. Cut in half on drawn line. This will yield 2 half-square triangles (or you may use triangle paper or any other technique to yield 5 total half-square triangles that are 2" finished). Follow the diagram below to assemble the block.

Congratulations if you have made every block in this series!
I'll bet your half-square triangles have improved along the way. Hope you're a winner!!

