

# TQG BLOCK of the MONTH

Dear Quilting Friends,

I'm Katherine Kenward the new BOM lady. I thought it would be fun to make a southwest inspired quilt using blocks that are designed to be easier than they look. For example, this month you'll notice the square in the square blocks are floating rather than with perfectly matched points. It doesn't take away from the look of the block but it sure does make it easier! I also cut the fabric a bit oversized for many of the pieces and then trim to size but please use any technique you are comfortable with. Betty Jordan has kindly agreed to test the patterns so they should be accurate but if there are any issues, please feel free to contact me. You'll see there are only 7 main blocks, month 8 will be the sashing blocks and months 9-10 are for the identical set-in blocks. **I would love you to join me in doing this project. To incentivize you, I will quilt at least 10 quilts on my new Handi quilter!**

*Details: quilting will be a continuous pattern. You supply backing, batting. To qualify, you need to sign up by November and bring or send a picture of each finished block within 2 months of release (So October would be due by December).*

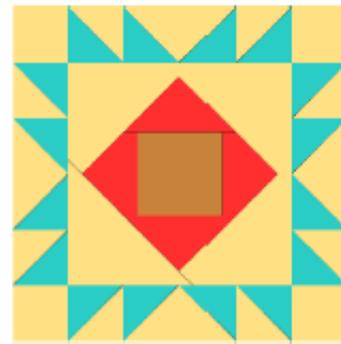
If you have too many southwest quilts, feel free to change the fabric choices. Here is an example in Christmas colors: The quilt finishes at about 45"x67". You can change the size larger or smaller by changing sashing size. For example, here is a baby quilt idea that is 37x57



## TQG BOM 1-October, 2025 -- 12.5" unfinished

Colors:

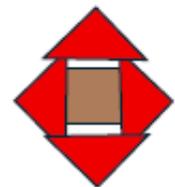
Total fabric needed for quilt below:		
C1 Butter	Lightest	2 yards
C2 Orange		2 yards
C3 Blue		3/4 yard
C4 Red		3/4 yard
C5 Brown	Darkest	1 yard



💡 HINT: I use starch when working with bias/diagonal seams.

### ✓ Center:

- ✓ Cut one 3.5" square C5 (Brown)
- ✓ Cut two 4" squares of C4 (Red), then cut in half diagonally
- ✓ Sew the long (bias) edges of the C4 triangles to C5 center the triangles, opposite sides first then overlapping the remaining triangles
- ✓ Trim to 5.5" centering the C5 square which will 'float' inside the triangles.
  
- ✓ Cut two 5.5" squares of C1 (Butter) then cut in half diagonally
- ✓ Repeat sewing the long (bias) edges of C1 to the C4/C5 block
- ✓ Trim to 8.5" centering the C4/C5 block which will float again.



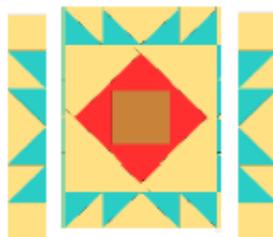
### ✓ Outside borders

- ✓ Cut four 2.5" squares for corners from C1 (butter)
- ✓ HSTs: Cut eight each 3.25" squares of C1 and C3 (blue) match right sides together. Sew 1/4" from center on each side and cut between sewn lines
- ✓ Trim all sixteen HSTs to 2.5"
- ✓ Make four sets of four HSTs 8.5" long



### ✓ Combine Center to borders

- ✓ Sew two HST sets to opposite sides of the center block
- ✓ Add corner blocks the other two HST sets
- ✓ Sew to the remaining two sides.
- ✓ Press



This month's block

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