



# PATTERN OF THE MONTH MAY 2020

**POM CHAIR NEEDED**

## “Confused Geese ”

by Karen Fisher, Guild President

This I originally designed this block many years ago to make a raffle quilt for the Food Bank. The bee I was in at the time made all the blocks, \*then we assembled it with sashing and cornerstones to set off the design in each block. The same basic design could be done with 1/2-square triangles, but I like using the bigger triangle of the “goose” to show off themed fabrics, such as the florals in the sample I made. This design could also work nicely for an “I Spy” quilt. Staying with very tightly coordinated colors will take it in a modern direction.

Cutting directions for one 12 ½” block (will finish at 12” with sashing)

- 1 – 4 ½” x 4 ½” square for center, dark value
  - 4 – 8 ½” x 4 ½” rectangles for “geese”, dark value
  - 8 – 4 ½” x 4 ½” squares for triangles on “geese” corners, light value
1. With a pencil, draw a corner-to-corner line on the back of each light square.
  2. Place one light square on one end of each rectangle, and stitch on the diagonal line
  3. Press the square back on itself to create triangle
  4. Trim corner away to reduce bulk. \*\*If you trim all your corners evenly, you will have LOTS of ½-square triangles to begin another project.
  5. Re-press seam so that rectangular shape stays true
  6. Attach second corner to each rectangle, and finish above steps. The center top points of the two corners WILL overlap
- After all “geese” are made, assemble block.
7. Attach center to rectangle A. line up one side of rectangle with one corner of center and stitch most of the way across.
  8. In order, attach rectangles B, C, and D to center and previous side. Close remainder of seam between A and D.

Press center seams out toward edge. One nice thing about this block is that it does not have the bulky corners of a design where lots of 1/2 - square triangles are coming together.

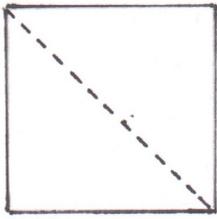
\*Without sashing and cornerstones, the blocks will create an interesting diamonds and squares negative space arrangement.

\*\*I trim my seams to ¼” with a ruler. One block gives me 16 little triangles.

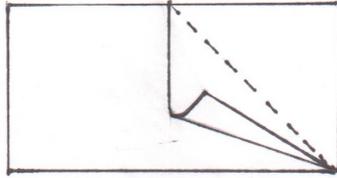
If you wish to make smaller blocks, this design reduces very easily to a 6” or 9” square. And if you have a different favorite method of making Flying Geese blocks, just go for it, then do the final assembly with the center.

*Please next page for line drawings for sewing “geese,” assembling the block, and block examples.*

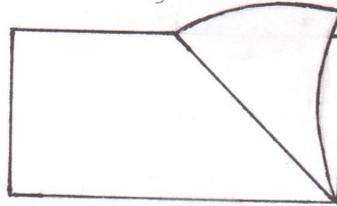
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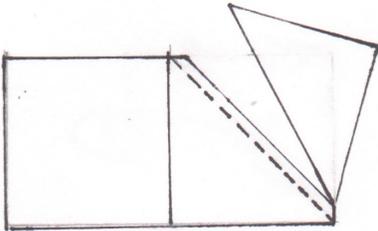
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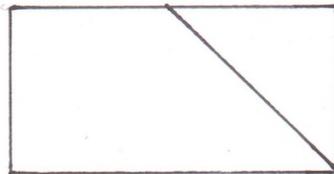
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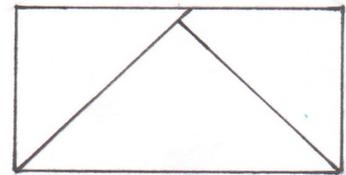
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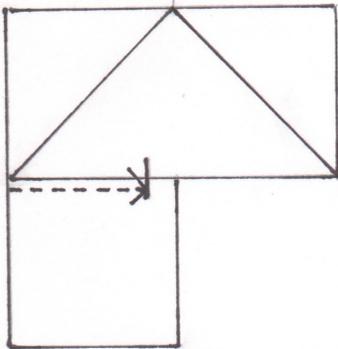
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