

2016 -2017 Block of the Month

All the information and directions for the BOM patterns can be found on the Common Threads Quilters Guild web site at www.commonthreadsnewnan.com. You can download the patterns by clicking on the documents. Making any size quilt is an option too. There will be a total of 12 blocks but you don't have to do them all.

The blocks and directions will be shown at each guild meeting. Additional instructions and alternate ways to make half-square triangles and flying geese will be demonstrated at some of the meetings.

The first 2 blocks will be presented in September and two more in October. Eight more blocks will be presented in January through April. There will be a total of 12 blocks. Each will finish as a 12" block (12 ½" unfinished). Use a ¼" seam allowance. The challenge is to have the quilt finished by June, 2017.

Approximate yardage for a consistent background in a "planned quilt" will require 3 - 3 ½ yards of fabric. A suggestion would be to use a fabric collection. The coordinating fabrics would need 1 yard cuts. We used 6 blenders in different patterns/colors.

A scrappy quilt will use less yardage - depending on your "stash!"

As in incentive to get lots of participation, you may make an extra patriotic block from a monthly pattern. Turn that completed 12 ½ " block in at a guild meeting. Please use only red, white and blue fabrics. You may win a fat quarter at our Vet Block drawing! Hopefully, we'll have enough blocks to make a Veteran's quilt.

These blocks are for all skill levels and work well together.

Additional help is available from Sandy Thomas at 678-358-7881 or JoAnn Schrepfer at 770-969-5728. Join other quilters at Mills Chapel Baptist Church on Thursdays from 10:00 - 2:00 with your questions!

Have fun!