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AUGUST 2020 BOM LADYBUG

Presenting our sweet little lady bug for the month of August. Block-of-the-Month is presented by the Brooklyn Quilters Guild. This is number two in the series. Look for twelve 12" blocks all based on an animal theme. Previous months instructions may be found on the Guild's member website or on Facebook. ~Robin Engleman & Joy West

Fabrics & Cutting

Body: Polka dot or circular print fabric
2 - 5" w by 8 1/2" h rectangle

Head & Center Line: Black or very dark fabric
1 - 2 1/2" w by 5 1/2" h rectangle - head
1 - 1 1/4" w by 8 1/2" h rectangle - center line

Background: Light contrasting color, minimal, self color print or no print fabric
2 - 2" squares
4 - 2 1/2" squares

Draw a diagonal sewing line on back of each of the squares from corner to corner.
2 - 2 1/2" w by 4 1/2" h rectangle (middle)
2 - 2" w by 8 1/2" h rectangle (sides)
1 - 3" w by 13" h rectangle (top)

Sewing instructions

See fabric layout for placement (fig. 1).
All seam allowances are 1/4".

STEP 1: Head and Body

• Place the two 2" squares on the top corners of the head, and stitch along the diagonal lines. In the same manner sew the two 2 1/2" squares to opposite sides of the body pieces. (see fig. 1)



• Trim to 1/4" of the stitching lines and flip the corners out and press. (see fig. 2)

STEP 2:

• Connect the 2 halves of the body to the 1 1/4" by 8 1/2" black center line piece. (see fig. 2)



Sewing instructions (Cont.)

STEP 3: Background

• Sew the 2 background pieces (2" by 8 1/2") to the sides of the body.
• Then sew the 2 background pieces (2 1/2" by 4 1/2") to the sides of the head.

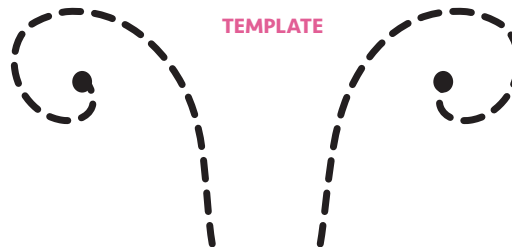


STEP 4: Assembly

• Center & sew the top background piece (3" by 13") to the top of the head.
• Center and sew the head to the body and press.

STEP 5: Finishing (see below)

• You can embroider antennae on the top of the body in black or a dark color if you choose. Pearl cotton embroidery thread was used here to hand stitch the antenna and end each with a French knot.



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Join our **BQG Block of the Month Group** (<https://tinyurl.com/y99wb-fgy>) where you can share your block and enter the online lottery to win the collection of blocks!

Post your completed BOM by 11 am the fourth Saturday of the month (Aug 23) to enter the drawing. Each completed block gives you a chance to win. The entries will be numbered and the winning number will be pulled and announced. Everyone will privately mail their block/s to the winner.

Not on Facebook? You can still participate! Email margaret.marcy@gmail.com for details.

Finished block should measure about 13"x13" with room to trim to a 12 1/2" inch square. (12" block with 1/4" seam allowance all the way around.)

