

# OCTOBER 2021 BOM PATCHY PUMPKIN

Pumpkin Patch Work! Head out to the pumpkin patch and pick a patchwork pumpkin. Be sure to make a block to keep for yourself as well as for the contest! ~*Robin Engelman & Joy West* 

# **Fabrics & Cutting**

Pieced Pumpkin - 12 1/2" by 16 1/2"

#### Colors:

Pumpkin- oranges, golds (may be scrappy)

**Stem -** one square, green or brown Background- neutral (One 2 ½" strip of yardage will make one block. If you plan to use the same fabric for all background and sashing of the blocks for the finished throw quilt, you will need about 3 yards.)

### **Cutting Instructions:**

**Pumpkin-** cut 44, 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" squares Stem- cut 1, 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" squares Background- cut 2 strips 1 1/2" W by 5 1/2" L

cut 14, 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" squares (draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of 10 background squares.)

# **Sewing Instructions**

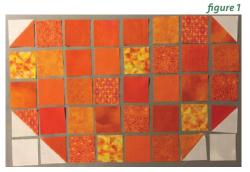
All seam allowances are 1/4".

### **STEP 1: Pumpkin Base**

• Sew eight half square triangles (HST). Place a background square marked with a diagonal face to face on top of an orange square. Stitch exactly on the diagonal line. Trim the corner leaving ¼" seam allowance. Press open.

Set aside two HSTs for Step 2.

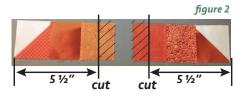
 Lay out the squares for rows 2 through 6 of the pumpkin as shown below. (figure 1) Piece the columns, and press the seam allowances in opposite directions so the when stitching the columns together the seams nest. The sewn squares should measure 2" finished. (The outer edges will have a ¼" seam allowance remaining.)



# STEP 2: Stem/ Pumpkin Top (row 1)

# Note there is a left & a right section.

• Take the remaining HST, and with the angles as shown in *figure 2*, sew two orange squares on the right side of one and two on the left side of the other.



 Measure from the HST side and trim each section to 5 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" long. (fig. 2) Place the last two background squares on the cut ends and sew along the diagonal lines. (fig.3)

figure 3



Sew along the diagonal. Trim to 1/4" allowance.

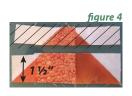
Press open.

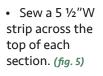
Your finished block should measure about 12 1/2" high by 16 1/2" wide. (a 12"H by 16"W

block with 1/4" seam allowance all the way around.)

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 Trim away the upper edge of each of the two sections to keep 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"H. (fig.4)







 Sew the stem in between the left and right sections. Sew one of the two remaining background squares to each end. (fig. 6)



• Sew the top row to the rest of the pumpkin. Press and trim the pumpkin to 12 ½" H by 16 ½" W to complete the block!

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