



October 2023 - BOM

# HALLOWEEN LANTERNS

In October, we highlight creating a *snowball*, a simple technique that rounds off a block creating the illusion of a circle or curve. The design can be used solo or in combination with other blocks.

Enjoy - Linda McNeely & Heidi Swanson

The *snowball* is created with a square of fabric sewn diagonally in each corner. We have used this technique for creating

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Technique = Snowball

Block finished size of 12 1/2 "

1/4" Seam allowance



## Fabrics & Cutting

Think Halloween! We suggest lanterns of orange, green, purple or a color you think best.

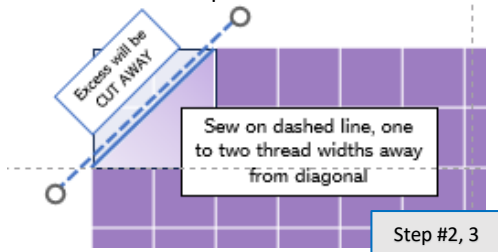
### CUT:

- (1) Lantern body – 8 1/2" x 12 1/2"
- (8) Background – 2 1/2" White squares; Four for snowballs, four for lantern top/bottom.
- (2) Lantern Top/Bottom – 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" Black fabric

## Assembly

### MAIN BODY

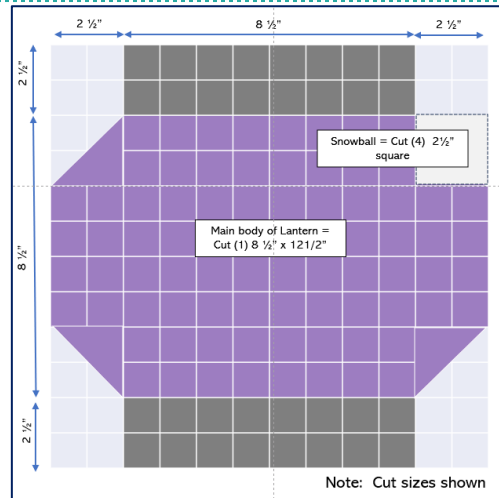
1. Place white squares on each corner of the main fabric, right sides together.
2. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner for each block and sew just outside the line (towards corner). This allows for the piece to be folded over and create the corner element.
3. Trim excess fabric 1/4" from seam and press corner back. Repeat for all four corners.



### LANTERN TOP/BOTTOM

4. Sew two white squares to each side of each black strip creating the top and bottom of the lantern.

FINISH - Sew top and bottom to the main piece to finish the block.



Bring your block to our next guild meeting to enter the lottery and win that month's collection of blocks! If you can't come to the meeting, you can enter by sharing your block on our BOM. Facebook page by 10 am the morning of the Guild Meeting. Each completed block give you a chance to win, whether you are present at the meeting or not. Blocks will be collected from those attending the meeting in person. Everyone else will privately mail their blocks to the winner.