DECEMBER 2019 BOM

EVERGREEN TREE

An evergreen is a plant with leaves that remain throughout the year, thrives in cold climates, and is always green. It was a pagan symbol, to represent the winter solstice. The 16th century Germans decorated branches and brought them into their homes to celebrate Christmas. Queen Victoria is credited as having made the Christmas tree a popular tradition for Christian households. *~Madi Appell and Kathy Clarke, Co-chairs*

Cutting:

TONE-ON-TONE GREEN FABRICS:

- (1) $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " piece for the top.
- (1) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " piece for the middle.
- (1) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " piece for the bottom.

BACKGROUND:

TONE-ON-TONE WHITE FABRICS:

- (6) 4 ½" squares.
- (2) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3" rectangles for the top.
- (2) $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 2" piece for the middle.

Sewing Directions:



STEP 1:

Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner across the back of each of the 4 ½" background squares.



STED 2

Take the 4 ½" x 12 ½" green rectangle, place a 4 ½" square, right sides together, on top of each end of the rectangle. Make sure the diagonal lines on the squares are positioned so the lines run from outside bottom corners up toward the center at the top.



STEP 3

Sew together on the line. Press squares open toward outer ends

and trim away extra, making sure to leave a 1/4 seam allowance.

STEP 4:

Repeat this process with the remaining $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and the (2) green rectangles. Note: The squares will overlap a bit at the top center on the $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $7\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle.

STEP 5:

On the top section, sew the 4 ½" x 3" background rectangle to each end of the section.

STEP 6:

On the middle section, sew a $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 2" background rectangle to each end of the section.



STEP 7: Sew the top, middle, and bottom rows together to finish...

Final block measures 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".

Please write your name in a seam allowance on the back of your block.

