# JANUARY 2020 BOM BOW TIE

Happy New Year 2020! We are starting the year with a symbol of formality. The Bow Tie is a type of necktie made using a common shoelace knot, also called the bow knot. It represents creativity, a willingness to be different and an embrace of style. It's not just for nerds or science guys! *~Madi Appell and Kathy Clarke, Co-chairs* 

## **Fabrics**:

**COLOR FABRICS:** Should be brightly assorted fabrics.

WHITE: Plain white or white-on-white. Make sure your white has no other colors in it.

#### Cutting: COLOR FABRICS:

■ Four (4) 2 ½" squares from one fabric of your choice.

■ Eighteen (18) 2 ½" squares from multiple fabrics.

## WHITE FABRIC:

■ Two (2) 6 ½″ squares.

# Sewing Directions:



## STEP 1: NINE-PATCH BLOCKS

 Separate the eighteen (18)
½" squares from multiple fabrics into two sets of nine.

2. Arrange nine 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  squares in three rows of three blocks.

3. Sew the top, middle and bottom rows. Then sew all three segments together to make a Nine-Patch block.

4. Repeat with the second set of nine 2 ½" squares.

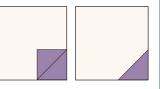
5. You'll have two Nine-Patch blocks.

### STEP 2:



Draw a diagonal line on wrong side of the (4) 2 ½" squares of the same fabric.

#### STEP 3:



1. Take one  $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " square and place on any corner of a white 6  $\frac{1}{2}$ " square with right sides facing each other.

2. Sew together on the line. Press open and cut away excess fabric 1/4" from the drawn line.

3. Repeat on the second white square.

## STEP 4:

1. Take one 2 ½" square and place on any corner of a Nine-Patch block with right sides facing each other.

2. Sew together on the line. Press the colored square open then cut away excess fabric 1/4" from the drawn line.

3. Repeat on second Nine-Patch block.



#### **STEP 5. CONSTRUCT THE BLOCK** 1. Sew the four blocks

1. Sew the four blocks together so the four Center Knot fabrics are in the center. 2. Trim the final block to 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".

Don't forget to write your name in one of the seams on the back of block.

