# MARCH 2020 BOM SWEET TREAT & THREAD SPOOL

March is being observed as National Quilters Month. We chose a spool of thread as an appropriate design for the Block of the Month. In addition, we are also adding the sweet treat for this month. We look forward to seeing your blocks at our next Guild meeting! ~Madi Appell and Kathy Clarke, Co-chairs

# SWEET TREAT

Two fabrics: White and any bright color.

### **Cutting Instructions:**

**Color Fabric:** (2) 4" squares (2) 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" squares

#### White Background: (2) 4" squares

(2) 3 ½" squares
(4) 3 ½" x 6 ½"" rectangles

## Sewing Directions:

**STEP 1: Half-Square Triangles** Draw a diagonal line on the back of the white 4" squares. Place a white and a color square right sides together (RST), sew ¼ inch away from each side of the drawn line. Cut on the line, press toward color and trim to 2 ½". Makes (4) half square triangles (HST).

### **STEP 2: Center Section**

Take (2) 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" color squares and (2) HST from Step 1. Position as per photo. Sew top and bottom rows, press toward color squares. Sew rows together.

### STEP 3: Block Top Row

Sew a HST to the left side of a white rectangle, position as per photo. Sew a 3½" white square to right side to complete top row. Press seams to center.



**STEP 4: Block Bottom Row** Sew a HST to the right side of a white rectangle as shown. Sew a  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " white square to the left side to complete bottom row. Press seams toward center.



**STEP 3: Adding Sides** Sew the (2) white rectangles to the right and left side of the center unit. Press toward outside.

### STEP 6: To Finish

Sew top and bottom rows to the center unit, matching seams to complete block. Press final seams open.

# THREAD SPOOL

Three fabrics: Sides: White (solid or tone on tone) Spool: Beige or Tan (solid, print or tone on tone) Thread: Scraps in the color of your choice. (tone on tone, print, monochromatic)

# **Cutting Instructions:**

**White:** (2) 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" strips (2) 3" squares

**Tan/Beige:** (2) 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" strips (2) 3" squares

**Color:** (8) 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 8 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" strips

## Sewing Directions:

**STEP 1: Half-Square Triangles** Draw a diagonal line on the back of the white 3" squares. Place the white and tan/beige squares RST, sew ¼ inch from each side of the drawn line. Cut on the line, press toward color, and trim to 2 ½". Makes (4) HST.

### **STEP 2: Center Thread Unit**

Sew the (8)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " strips together varying the shades as shown. Trim this section to  $8\frac{1}{2}$ x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



### **STEP 3: Sides** Sew a white 2½" x 8½" strip to each side of the 8½" square thread unit, position the thread horizontally. Should measure 8½" x 12½".

### STEP 4: Top/Bottom

Sew a HST to each side of the tan/beige 2½" x 8½"" strips, position the HST as per photo.

### STEP 6: To Finish

Sew the top/bottom row to the center unit, matching seams to your complete block. Press final seams open.

Both finished blocks measure  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

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



