

## Block Party for April

Have you ever seen a field of tulips in full bloom? We thought you might enjoy making your own perfect Tulip Block.

### Materials Needed

Bright print: One  $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle and one  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  square.

Contrasting bright print (center of tulip): One  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  square.

Green print: One  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle and one  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle.

Light sky blue: Three  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares, two  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  squares, and one  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle

### Instructions

Step 1: Start by sewing the blue  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  square to the contrasting bright  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  square. Sew these to a blue  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle. Press each step as you continue.

Step 2: place right sides together of the floral and the sky blue  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  squares. Draw a diagonal line on the back of one piece and sew ON THE LINE. Cut  $\frac{1}{4}''$  away from the line to form one half square triangle block. Sew to the step 1 piece.

Step 3: lay the remaining  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  blue square on the end of the  $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$  bright print rectangle. Draw a diagonal line on the square, sew on the line and flip over. Be sure to check the direction before you sew and trim. Sew to the step 1-2 piece. Using that same technique for steps 4 and 5, sew the remaining blue  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares to the green rectangles to form the leaves and sew to the other pieces. Your finished block will be  $10\frac{1}{2}''$

To participate, make the block described, bring it to the next meeting, post your block(s) on the design board, and place your name (one for each block you bring) into the pot. A winning name from those who contributed will be drawn; the winner takes home all the blocks.

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