

## Block Party for April

The combination of the drought and El Niño have us all thinking about water. This seems like a perfect time to use this old traditional block called water wheel.

### Materials Needed

Blue Print #1: One 4 1/2" square. Two 4 7/8" squares. One 2 1/2 " x 10" strip.

Blue Print #2: One 2 1/2 " x 10" strip.

White on white: Two 4 7/8" squares. Two 2 1/2" x 10" strips.

### Instructions

Make two sets of the following half square triangle blocks. Place, right sides together, a 4 7/8" blue #1 with a 4 7/8" white. Draw a diagonal line on the back of one piece and sew 1/4" on both sides of the line. Cut on the drawn line to produce two half square triangle blocks each.

Now for the corner four square blocks. Sew two strip sets with each of the blue strips paired with a white strip. Press and cut each into four 2 1/2" pieces. Sew together four sets of four patches with one each of the blues and two whites.

Sew together your nine blocks as illustrated, carefully observing that a white is in each corner. Your block will be 12 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. The winner of the drawing will take home all the blocks.

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