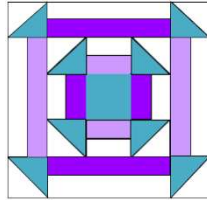


March 2024 Quilt Block

Welcome to our fifth block in our series to continue support of our Sharing Gifts Program. If you are unfamiliar with the Sharing Gifts program, please review the policy on our website at <https://ykquiltersguild.ca/about-us-1> (see bottom of the web page for the Sharing Gifts link).

Our block pattern for March 2024 is the **Double Churn Dash**.



Once again, we will be using the Missouri Star Quilt Company's technique to make the block. Watch the video on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8DuchY37ooc> . Block construction starts around 1:30 minute into the video and goes to 15:10 minutes.

This is going to make a GIANT quilt block!

Color Way: your choice of colours/prints.

What you need:

Background Colour

- Two, 2 ½" x WOF* strips
- One, 10" square

Colour #1

- One, 2 ½" x WOF* strip

Colour #2

- One, 2 ½" x WOF* strip

Contrasting Colour

- One, 10" square
- One, 4 ½" square

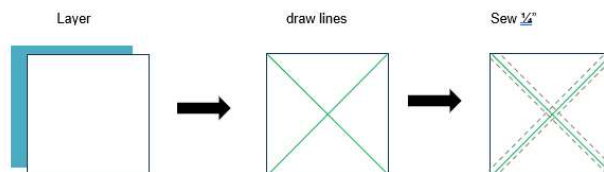
*WOF = Width of Fabric

Use a scant ¼" seam. Your stitch line should fall just inside the ¼" line on your ruler when measuring the seam allowance.

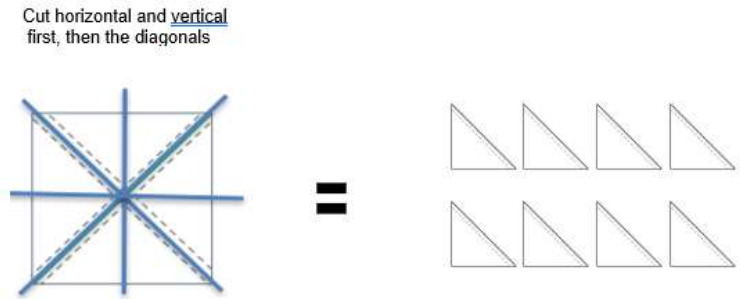
Step 1.

Make 8 half-square triangles.

- Layer the 10" squares of background color and contrasting color right sides together.
- On the lighter color, draw a diagonal line both ways across the square.
- Sew ¼" on both sides of each line.



- Cut the block into eight sections.



- Open and press each half-square triangle unit (press to the darker fabric).
- Square up each unit to $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$.

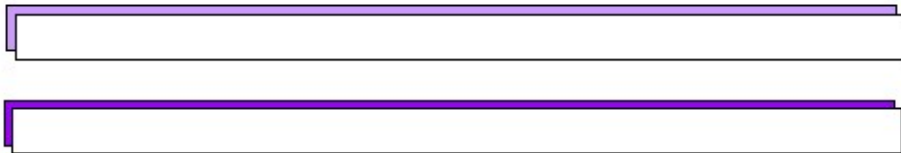


Step 2.

Preparing strip sets.

- Sew one background colour $2\frac{1}{2}''$ strip to the colour #1, $2\frac{1}{2}''$ strip.
- Sew one background colour $2\frac{1}{2}''$ strip to the colour #2, $2\frac{1}{2}''$ strip.

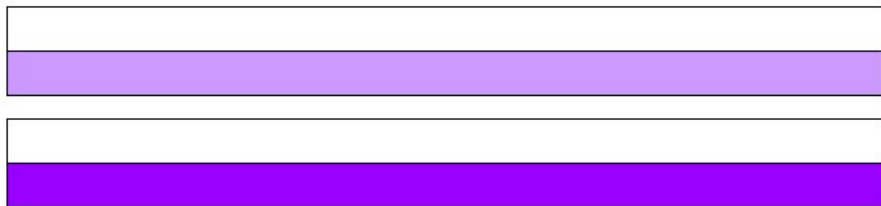
Layer



Sew



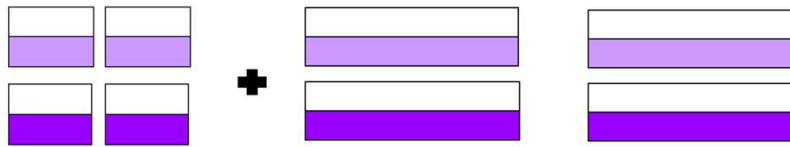
- Open each strip set and press to the darker fabric.



Step 3.

Sub-cut the strip sets.

- From each strip set you will need to cut, two 4 1/2" strips and two 12 1/2" strips.



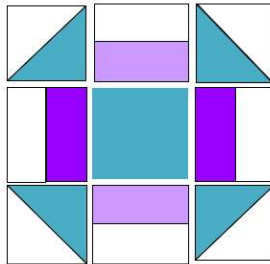
Step 4.

Making the inner Chun Dash block.

You will need:

- Four half square triangle blocks
- The 4 1/2" square contracting color
- Two 4 1/2" strip set of color #1/Background.
- Two 4 1/2" strip set of color #2/background.

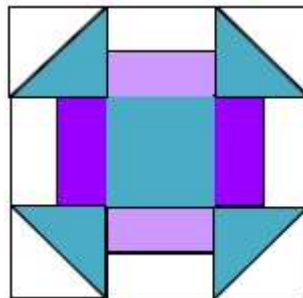
Lay out the components for the inner Churn Dash block.



- Sew the block together.
 - o First sew the top row, then the middle row and lastly the bottom row sections.
 - o Then sew the three rows together. Refer to the video.
 - o Press the top and bottom rows seams outwards.
 - o Press the centre row seams inwards.

You have now completed the inner Churn Dash Block.

This should measure 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".



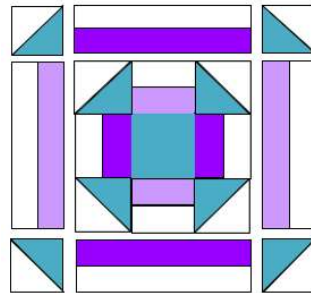
Step 5.

Completing the Double Churn Dash Block.

You will need:

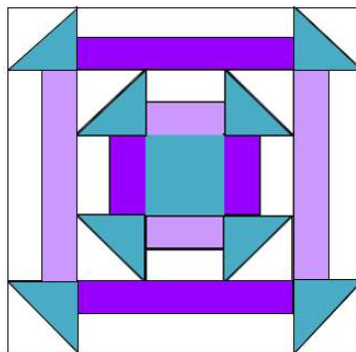
- The inner Churn Dash Block completed in step 4.
- Four half square triangle blocks
- Two 12 ½" strip set of colour #1/Background.
- Two 12 ½" strip set of colour #2/Background.

Lay out the components for the Double Churn Dash ensuring your color #1 and #2 strips are on opposite sides of the inner churn dash block.



- Sew the block together.
 - o First sew the top row, then the middle row and lastly the bottom row sections.
 - o Then sew the three rows together.
 - o Refer to the video on pressing the seams.

Congratulations! You have now completed the giant Double Churn Dash Block.
Your block should measure 20 ½" x 20 ½".



What a quick way to make a giant quilt block.

Bring your completed block(s) to the March meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can have a friend, bring them on your behalf. You can also drop them off in the guild's basket at the Quilted Raven (top of the library shelf) no later than March 13th for the March meeting and I will pick it up and bring to the meeting. If dropping off blocks, please put your name on them so I can announce who made them.

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