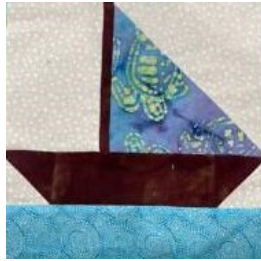


# May 2024 - Block of the Month

## Sail Boat-Under Ground Railroad



Materials Needed (Cutting mat, trimming ruler, rotary cutter, and iron)

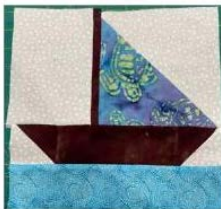
1. Boat base: One 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangle, and one 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square
2. Mast: One 1" x 6-1/2" rectangle. Can use any color, but I used same color as boat base
3. Sky: One 6-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangle, one 7 x 7" square and one 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square
4. Sail: One 7" x 7" square
5. Cutting mat, trimming ruler, rotary cutter, and iron.

Instructions: \*HST=Half Square Triangle

1. Step one: Make half square triangles using the 3-1/2" and 7" squares. Press to the "Dark Side." Trim the 3-1/2" HSTs to 2-1/2" square and trim one 7" HST to 6-1/2" for the sail.



2. Step two: Sew the 1" x 6-1/2" mast rectangle to the right hand 6.5" side of the 4-1/2" x 6-1/2" sky rectangle. Press to the dark side. A NOTE: It may be easier for getting smooth seams to press the seams open
3. Step three: Align the two 2-1/2" HSTs with the short sides of the 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" boat rectangle and sew. The dark triangles should face outward as shown. Then attach this piece to the "Ocean" rectangle
4. Step four: Sew the "Sail" HST to the mast side of the sky/mast block. Do not trim this block yet. Align the right-hand side of the sail with the right edge of the boat/ocean rectangle. Sew the sail/mast block to the boat/ocean block as shown.



5. Step five: Trim the block to 10" to match the other blocks in the series. Despite the appearance of wobbly edges, they are straight.