

## March 2026 Block of the Month

### Lucky Shamrock by Joanna Figueroa, edited by Maurine Henry

This month's block is a free download from Fresh Figs, Lucky Shamrock, by Joanna Figueroa. I have edited her directions to use only 3 colors – 2 greens and a background. I used a different method for creating the stem block. For her directions please visit

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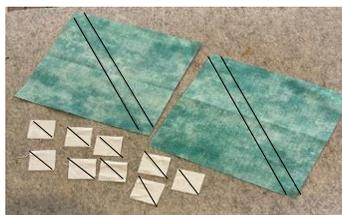
#### **Materials:**

##### **Cut**

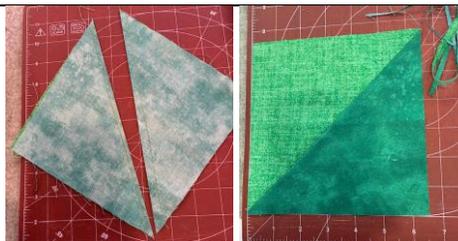
- 2 – 7" squares medium green
- 2 – 7" squares dark green
- 1 – 1 ¼" X 11" rectangle of dark green
- 1 – 7" square background – Cut on the diagonal to make 2 triangles
- 9 – 1 ¼" square background (1 ½" square also works well)

#### **Directions:**

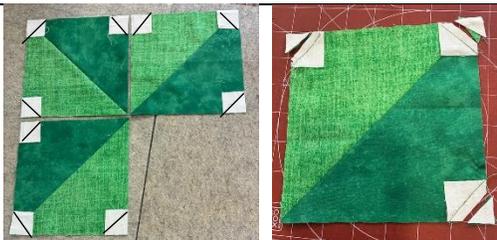
- Draw a diagonal line, corner to corner on each of the small background squares.
- Draw 2 diagonal lines ¼" from center on the two medium green squares (I used my magic wand for this step)



- Place a medium green square on top of a dark green square, right sides together, stitch on the 2 drawn lines.
- Cut on the diagonal between the stitched lines.
- Press the seam open
- Trim to measure 6 ½" square
- You will have an extra half square triangle



- Arrange your 3 half square triangles so that they are positioned med/dark, med/dark, and med/dark as pictured.
- Place a small square in 3 of the corners – med. green corner, dark green corner, and 2 color corner with the dark green on the right (its important to have the dark green on the right and not the left, ask me how I know!). See picture for positioning of diagonal line.
- Stitch on the diagonal line. ( I change my stitch length to 2 rather than 2.5 for this step)
- Trim ¼" from sewn line.
- Press to one side.

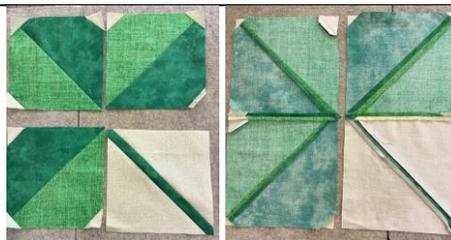


### Stem Block

- Place the 1 ¼" X 11" strip of green along the diagonal side of the background triangle, stitch a ¼" seam along the diagonal.
- Press towards green
- Place the remaining triangle, right side down over the stem, lining up the corner with the corner of the first triangle (see photo)
- Stitch ¼" seam
- Press towards the stem fabric
- Trim to 6 ½" square



- Arrange your blocks to make a shamrock.
- Place the top two pieces, right sides together, and nesting seams, stitch using ¼" seam.
- Place bottom two pieces, right sides together, stitch ¼" seam.
- Press seams open.
- Sew bottom half to top half, right sides together, matching or nesting seams as necessary.
- Press seam open.



### Finished Block



This month's table runner is made with 3 shamrock blocks, with a 1" (1 ½" cut) inner border and a 2 ¼" (2 ½" cut) outer border. I also used 1 ½" squares in the corners for each of the leaves.

